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2013 Gabr Fellow, Becca Doten, has recently been promoted from Deputy Executive Director for Public and Government Affairs for Los Angeles International Airport to their Chief Airport Affairs Officer.

Becca, originally from Minnesota, attended Hastings High School before going on to the University of Southern California where she graduated with a BA in Film Production. She has previously worked for various government bodies including the California State Senate, Office of LA City Councilmember Richard



Alarcon and California State Controller's Office, contributing to her experience in communications, governmental affairs and public policy, which she now brings to her new role.

She first joined LAWA (Los Angeles World Airport) in 2017 as the Director of Public Relations, from there she became Managing Director of Media relations before her penultimate role Deputy Executive Director of Public and Government Affairs in September 2020. She also served as the Interim Chief Corporate Strategy and Affairs Officer. Her new position will see her take on the role of Chief of Staff and serve as LAWA's official liaison officer to LAX airline partners and oversee: Public relations, Community Relations, Government, Airport Marketing and Air Service Development.

LAX is the third-busiest airport in the world and the second busiest in the US since 2019. It recently underwent a \$14.5 billion capital improvement program that will bolster the 9 terminals as well as build new facilities. It serves close to 90 million passengers a year with an average of 700 daily nonstop flights to 113 destinations in the US and on average 1,200 weekly nonstop flights to 46 countries on 72 commercial airlines.

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