## Liane Chen

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### **KEY SKILLS**

- 8 years in environmental consulting; specializes in preparing California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents and coordinating between applicants, lead agencies, and technical specialists to complete legally defensible environmental documents
- Related experience in nonprofit businesses, policy research, and events
- Computer skills: Adobe Suite; Microsoft Suite; Google Earth; ArcGIS; QuickBooks; Deltek
- Fluent in English & Chinese (Cantonese)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Senior Associate Planner**

Circlepoint, Environmental

May 2019 — Current

Orange, CA

• Responsible for supporting and supervising various roles in the development and publication of environmental documents, including independently drafting of clear and concise CEQA/NEPA document sections that demonstrate a high level of technical analysis, conducting research, assisting in document production, and maintaining project files

### **Associate Environmental Planner**

ICF, Planning & Development

May 2014 — May 2019

Irvine, CA

- Served as deputy project manager, coordinator, task lead, and lead author on CEQA/NEPA documents for a wide range of project types throughout Southern California
- Organizes large team of subconsultants and internal staff to meet aggressive deadlines on high profile projects, while authoring sections and providing quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC)
- Projects include:
  - CA high speed rail, Restoration & habitat conservation plans, Disaster recovery efforts post Hurricane Maria (Puerto Rico) & Hurricane Sandy (New Jersey), Climate change adaptation plans for utilities, Utility pole relocations, Marine terminal expansions & long term plans, Road widening & infrastructure repair, Renewable energy facilities, School district planning, Agricultural promotion through zoning, Historic preservation reviews for weatherization
- Planned holiday event for Southern California offices (150 guests) on the Maritime Museum with open bar, a casino theme and buffet while staying under budget

#### **Associate**

ESA, Community Development

October 2011 — November 2013 San Diego & Los Angeles, CA

- Assisted in the management of groundwater remediation, water recycling, general and specific plans, mixed-use residential, and renewable energy projects located in California and Nevada
- Oversaw subconsultant communication and contracts, including scope of work, schedule and budget
- Contributed to business development through research of new legislature and policy on marine spatial planning (internal white paper)

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### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Co-Chair of Environmental Systems Alumni Network

June 2015 — January 2018

Physical Sciences Department, UCSD

San Diego, CA

• Created UCSD ESYS Alumni Network with current SIO PhD candidate and formulated and implemented annual plan; Supported by both the ESYS and alumni departments

Student Liaison May 2015 — December 2017

Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP), San Diego

San Diego, CA

- Bridged students with environmental professionals through events like CEQA Practicum, Resume Workshop, and Speed Networking
- Helped build and promote UCSD AEP student campus chapter while mentoring students

Guest Lecturer October 2015

ESYS90: Perspectives on Environmental Issues

La Jolla, CA

- By invitation of Jane L. Teranes, Director of Environmental Systems Program at UCSD
- Presented on environmental consulting and ways for students to get involved

### **Director of Energy and the Environment**

August 2010 — March 2011

The Roosevelt Institute, UCSD chapter

La Jolla, CA

- Built the UCSD chapter of a prestigious national think tank and authored its mission statement
- Assembled team and delegated tasks for policy research on urban farms in San Diego County

Research Associate June 2010 — October 2010

Joint US-China Collaboration on Clean Energy (JUCCCE)

Beijing, Shanghai, US

• Promoted the "China Dream" Project and identified innovative sustainable consumption and best practice policies for consideration by Chinese mayors

### **EDUCATION**

### University of California, San Diego

July 2012

B.A. in Environmental Systems with Specialization in Policy

La Jolla, CA

Relevant Courses: Sustainable Planning, Greenhouse Gas Accounting, Environmental Law, Environmental Biology, The Solid and Fluid Earth, Intro to Environmental Engineering, Calculus for Science and Engineers, Chemistry, Physics

Professional Training Courses: AEP Advanced NEPA workshops, AEP Advanced CEQA workshops, Writing Effective CEQA Documents, PM 101, Caltrans VMT workshops

### **AWARDS**

**Provost's Honors, UCSD** 

2011

Received for academic excellence