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I sent email before I saw this- congratulations!!! This is well deserved

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Hi All

FYI

The announcement below was released earlier today.

Mary is well known to many members of the committee. She has met with and briefed the committee in both her capacity as EPA's Director of Water Protection Division and also in her previous Georgia EPD role.

In her new role as EPA's Region 4 administrator we will look to meet with Mary again this year.

Best regards

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EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler has selected Mary Walker, a longtime Georgia state official who has worked at EPA since 2016, as the new Region 4 administrator.

The position, which oversees EPA work in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee, does not require Senate confirmation. Walker replaces Trey Glenn, who departed after his indictment last year on Alabama state ethics charges.

"Mary's wealth of experience and expertise serving in both state government and as a senior career official at EPA makes her exceptionally qualified to lead Region 4," Wheeler said in a statement.

Walker arrived at EPA's Region 4 office in Atlanta in December 2016 as director of the water protection division, according to her LinkedIn profile. In June 2018 she became the deputy regional administrator, and for the last seven months has served as acting regional administrator.

Before joining EPA, she held several posts at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division over a four-year period. Prior to that she worked in the state finance and budget offices.

As a Georgia official in February 2016, Walker told [go.politicoemail.com] the Atlanta Journal-Constitution that she was "pleased" with the Supreme Court's stay of the Clean Power Plan as it meant the state did not need to develop a plan to reduce its carbon emissions while legal challenges proceeded.