

# CARPINTERIA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

The Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 81000, et seq.) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict of interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (2 Cal. Code Regs. § 18730) that contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing, the standard code may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations Section 18730 (hereinafter "Section 18730") and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This regulation and the attached Appendix, designating positions and establishing disclosure categories, shall constitute the Conflict of Interest Code (hereinafter "Code") of the Carpinteria Groundwater Sustainability Agency (hereinafter "Code").

Designated positions in the attached Appendix 1 (referred to as "designated employees" in Title 2 of California Code of Regulations Section 18730) may file their statements online using eDisclosure, which will submit the Form 700 to the Santa Barbara County Clerk, Recorder and Assessor. Online statements will be made available for public inspection and reproduction. (Gov. Code, § 81008.)

Designated positions who file using a paper Form 700 shall file with the CGSA. Upon receipt of the statement filed by a designated position other than a Consultant, a copy shall be retained with the CGSA and the original shall be forwarded to the Santa Barbara County Clerk, Recorder and Assessor (PO Box 61510, Santa Barbara, CA 93160-1510). Statements filed by Consultants shall be retained by the CGSA. Paper statements will be made available for public inspection and reproduction. (Gov. Code, § 81008.)

## APPENDIX I DESIGNATED POSITIONS AND DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

I.	Designated Position	Assigned Disclosure Category
	Executive Director	1, 2, 3
	Secretary/Treasurer	1, 2, 3
	Legal Counsel	1, 2, 3
	Consultants/New Positions	*

Note: The Positions of Executive Director and Secretary/Treasurer are currently filled by Carpinteria Valley Water District employees who act in a staff capacity for the CGSA. Additionally, the position of Legal Counsel may be filled either by (a) General Counsel for Carpinteria Valley Water District, or, alternatively, (b) another Consultant retained by the CGSA.

\*Consultants/New Positions shall be included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in this Code, subject to the following limitation:

The CGSA may determine in writing that a particular Consultant or New Position, although a "Designated Position," is hired to perform a range of duties that is limited in scope and thus is not required to comply with the full extent of disclosure requirements in this Code. Such written determination shall include a description of the Consultant's or New Position's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The CGSA's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this Code. (Gov. Code, § 81008.)

## Public Officials Who Manage Public Investments

The following positions are not covered by this Code because they must file a statement of economic interests under Government Code Section 87200 and, therefore, are listed for informational purposes only:

• Members and Alternates of the Board of Directors

An individual holding one of the above listed positions may contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for assistance or written advice regarding their filing obligations if they believe that their position has been categorized incorrectly. The Fair Political Practices Commission makes the final determination whether a position is covered by Government Code section 87200.

## II. <u>Disclosure Categories</u>

## Category 1

Investments and business positions in business entities, and any sources of income, including receipt of gifts, loans, and travel payments, if the business entities or sources of income are of the type that might provide or actually provides, leases, or contracts facilities, services, supplies, materials, machinery or equipment of the type utilized by of the CGSA.

#### Category 2

Interests in real property, any leasehold, beneficial or ownership interest, or option to acquire such interest in real property, located in whole or in part within the jurisdiction of the CGSA or within two miles of the CGSA jurisdictional boundaries, or within two miles of any land owned or used by the CGSA.

### Category 3

Investments and business positions in business entities, and any sources of income, including receipt of gifts, loans, and travel payments, if the business entities or sources of income are known by the CGSA Committee to have filed a claim, or have a claim pending against the CGSA.