SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



FROM: County Counsel

September 24, 2012

SUBJECT: Approval of the Conflict of Interest Code of the Fern Valley Water District

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approves the Conflict of Interest Code submitted by Fern Valley Water District.

BACKGROUND: Government Code section 87306.5 requires that all local agencies review their Conflict of Interest Code, and the listings of designated positions for employees who must disclose along with the types of disclosure required, and make appropriate amendments to each as required.

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Current F.Y. Total Cost:

V. LIEW, Deputy County Counsel for PAMELA J. WALLS, County Counsel

In Current Year Budget:

FINANCIAL	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$	N/A	Budget Adjustment:	, N	N/A
DATA	Annual Net County Cost:	\$	N/A	For Fiscal Year:	N	N/A
SOURCE O					Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	
					Requires 4/5 Vote	
-	OMMENDATION:	APPRO	NE)	i C. Kard		
County Exe	cutive Office Signature	BY: De	nise C.	Harden		
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\$ N/A

WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD ATTACHMENTS FILED

Policy

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Departmental Concurrence

Per Exec. Ofc.:

Dep't Recomm.

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 1/26/99; 2.10

District: 3

Agenda Number:

N/A

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Government Code Section 82011 identifies the Board of Supervisors for the County, within which a local government agency (as defined by Government Code Section 82041) is located. A local government agency, as defined by Government Code Section 82041, includes a water district.

The Fern Valley Water District recently revised its Conflict of Interest Code and has submitted it for approval by the Board of Supervisors as the code reviewing body.

This office has reviewed the revised code and has found that it complies with statutory requirements. It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve Fern Valley Water District's Conflict of Interest Code as revised and that the Clerk of the Board notify the Agency of the action taken.

FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE¹

The Political Reform Act (Gov. Code § 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 of 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 Section 18730 may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This incorporation page, regulation and the attached Appendix designating positions and establishing disclosure categories, shall constitute the conflict of interest code of the FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (the "District").

All officials and designated positions shall file their statements of economic interests with the **Office Manager** as the District's Filing Officer/Official. The **Office Manager** shall make and retain a copy of all statements filed by Members of the Board of Directors and the General Manager, and forward the originals of such statements to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside. The **Office Manager** shall retain the originals of the statements filed by all other officials and designated positions and make all statements available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours. (Gov. Code § 81008.)

¹ Updated July 2012 to specify Reg 18730 as provisions.

APPENDIX

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

OF THE

FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

(Amended December 18, 1998)²

EXHIBIT "A"

OFFICIALS WHO MANAGE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

District Officials who manage public investments, as defined by 2 Cal. Code of Regs. § 18701(b), are NOT subject to the District's Code, but must file disclosure statements under Government Code section 87200 et seq. [Regs. § 18730(b)(3)] These positions are listed here for informational purposes only.

It has been determined that the positions listed below are officials who manage public investments³:

Members of the Board of Directors

General Manager

District Secretary/Office Manager

Financial Consultants

Update language as provided by Fair Political Practices Commission to clarify requirements.

Individuals 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 § 87200.

LAW OFFICES OF BEST & KRIEGER LLP

DESIGNATED POSITIONS

GOVERNED BY THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

DESIGNATED POSITIONS' TITLE OR FUNCTION

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ASSIGNED

Consulting Engineer 2, 3, 5

Field Project Manager 5

General Counsel 1, 2

Consultants and New Positions⁴

Individuals serving as a consultant as defined in FPPC Reg 18701 or in a new position must file under the broadest disclosure set forth in this Code subject to the following limitation:

The General Manager may determine that, due to the range of duties or contractual obligations, it is more appropriate to designate a limited disclosure requirement. A clear explanation of the duties and a statement of the extent of the disclosure requirements must be in a written document. The General Manager's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this Conflict of Interest Code.

EXHIBIT "B"

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

The disclosure categories listed below identify the types of economic interests that the designated position must disclose for each disclosure category to which he or she is assigned.

<u>Category 1</u>: All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that do business or own real property within the jurisdiction of the District, plan to do business or own real property within the jurisdiction of the District within the next year, or have done business or owned real property within the jurisdiction of the District within the past two (2) years.

<u>Category 2</u>: All interests in real property which is located in whole or in part within, or not more than two (2) miles outside, the jurisdiction of the District.

<u>Category 3</u>: All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that are engaged in land development, construction or the acquisition or sale of real property within the jurisdiction of the District, plan to engage in such activities within the jurisdiction of the District within the next year, or have engaged in such activities within the jurisdiction of the District within the past two (2) years.

<u>Category 4</u>: All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that provide services, products, materials, machinery, vehicles or equipment of a type purchased or leased by the District.

<u>Category 5</u>: All investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including gifts, loans and travel payments, that provide services, products, materials, machinery, vehicles or equipment of a type purchased or leased by the designated position's department, unit or division.

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

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