

September 5, 2024

2024 Local Agency Biennial Notice

Clerk of the Board

Name of Agency: Ventura County Air Pollution Control District
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Accurate disclosure is essential to monitor whether officials have conflicts of interest and to help ensure public trust in government. The biennial review examines current programs to ensure that the agency's code includes disclosure by those agency officials who make or participate in making governmental decisions.

This agency has reviewed its conflict of interest code and has determined that (*check one BOX*):

☒ An amendment is required. The following amendments are necessary:

(*Check all that apply.*)

- ☒ Include new positions
- ☐ Revise disclosure categories
- ☒ Revise the titles of existing positions
- ☐ Delete titles of positions that have been abolished and/or positions that no longer make or participate in making governmental decisions
- ☒ Other (*describe*) Revise quantity of full-time equivalents for 4 position titles

☐ The code is currently under review by the code reviewing body.

☐ No amendment is required. (If your code is over five years old, amendments may be necessary.)

Verification (to be completed if no amendment is required)

This agency's code accurately designates all positions that make or participate in the making of governmental decisions. The disclosure assigned to those positions accurately requires that all investments, business positions, interests in real property, and sources of income that may foreseeably be affected materially by the decisions made by those holding designated positions are reported. The code includes all other provisions required by Government Code Section 87302.

Ali R. Ghasemi Digitally signed by Ali R. Ghasemi
Date: 2024.09.05 08:04:58 -07'00'
Signature of Chief Executive Officer

09/05/2024
Date

All agencies must complete and return this notice regardless of how recently your code was approved or amended. Please return this notice no later than **October 1, 2024**, or by the date specified by your agency, if earlier, to: **E-Mail to: form700clerk@ventura.org**

or
Mail to: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
800 S. Victoria Avenue, L# 1920
Ventura, CA 93009-1920

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FPPC.

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Conflict of Interest Code

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**CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE
VENTURA COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**

The Political Reform Act, Government Code section 81000 et seq., requires 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) which contains the terms of a standard Conflict of Interest Code, which may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act after public notice and hearings.

The terms of California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 18730, and any amendment to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission, are hereby incorporated by reference as the Conflict of Interest Code for the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, and along with the attached Exhibit A, which designates positions requiring disclosure and Exhibit B, which sets forth disclosure categories for each designated position, constitute the Conflict of Interest Code of the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District. Persons holding positions designated in Exhibit A shall file Form 700 Statements of Economic Interests with the Filing Officer specified for that position in Exhibit A.

IN PREPARING THE FORM 700, DESIGNATED FILERS NEED ONLY DISCLOSE THOSE FINANCIAL INTERESTS FALLING WITHIN THE DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES DESIGNATED FOR THAT FILER'S POSITION AS STATED IN EXHIBITS A AND B.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of June, 2022:

By: Ali Reza Ghasemi
Ali R. Ghasemi
Air Pollution Control Officer

VENTURA COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

Designated Positions

Exhibit A

# of POSITIONS	POSITION TITLE	DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES (From Exhibit B)
1	APCD-Air Pollution Control Officer	1
1	APCD-Mgr. Compliance	4, 5
1	APCD-Mgr. Engineering	4, 5
1	APCD-Mgr. Fiscal/Admin Services	3, 4
1	APCD-Fiscal Officer	3, 4
1	APCD-Mgr. Monitoring	4, 5
1	APCD-Mgr. Office Systems	3
1	APCD-Mgr. Planning & Rules	4, 5, 6
1	APCD-Public Information Specialist	3, 4, 5
	APCD-Public Information Officer	
1 3	APCD-Supervising AQ Engineer	4, 5, 6
1	APCD-Supervising AQ Instrument Tech	4
3 2	APCD-Supervising AQ Specialist	3, 4, 5
6 5	APCD-AQ Engineer I/II	4, 5, 6
2	APCD-AQ Instrument Technician II/III	4
0 4	APCD-AQ Meteorologist I/II	4, 5
13	APCD-AQ Specialist I/II	4, 5
2	APCD-AQ Technician II	4
1	APCD-Fiscal Technician II	3
1	APCD-Grants Accountant I/II	3
1	APCD-Mgmt. Asst IV	4
1	APCD-Mgmt. Asst IV/HR Asst	4
3	APCD-Office Systems Coordinator III	4
1	APCD-Permit Processing Specialist I/II	4, 5
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Note: In BOLD letters – new reporting positions or added disclosures

EXHIBIT B – DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

The terms *italicized* below have specific meaning under the Political Reform Act. In addition, the financial interests of a spouse, domestic partner and dependent children of the public official holding the designated position may require reporting. Consult the instructions and reference pamphlet of the Form 700 for explanation.

Category 1 – BROADEST DISCLOSURE

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULES A-1, A-2, B, C, D and E]

- (1) All sources of *income, gifts, loans and travel payments*;
- (2) All *interests in real property*; and
- (3) All *investments and business positions in business entities*.

Category 2 – REAL PROPERTY

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULE B]

All interests in real property, including interests in real property held by business entities and trusts in which the public official holds a business position or has an investment or other financial interest.

Category 3 – LAND DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND TRANSACTION

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULES A-1, A-2, C, D and E]

All investments, business positions and sources of income, gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources which engage in land development, construction, or real property acquisition or sale.

Category 4 – PROCUREMENT

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULES A-1, A-2, C, D and E]

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Category 5 – REGULATION AND PERMITTING

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULES A-1, A-2, C, D and E]

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Category 6 – FUNDING

[SEE FORM 700 SCHEDULES A-1, A-2, C, D and E]

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APPENDIX - DESIGNATING OFFICIALS WHO MANAGE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

Pursuant to Government Code section 87200 et seq., certain city and county officials, as well as all “other officials who manage public investments,” are required to disclose their economic interests in accordance with the Political Reform Act. This Appendix provides the relevant definitions for determining which public officials qualify as “other officials who manage public investments,” designates the agency’s positions which qualify as such, and states the Filing Officer for each designated position.

APPLICABLE DEFINITIONS

As set forth in 2 California Code of Regulations section 18701, the following definitions apply for the purposes of Government Code section 87200:

(1) “Other public officials who manage public investments” means:

(A) Members of boards and commissions, including pension and retirement boards or commissions, or of committees thereof, who exercise responsibility for the management of public investments;

(B) High-level officers and employees of public agencies who exercise primary responsibility for the management of public investments, such as chief or principal investment officers or chief financial managers. This category shall not include officers and employees who work under the supervision of the chief or principal investment officers or the chief financial managers; and

(C) Individuals who, pursuant to a contract with a state or local government agency, perform the same or substantially all the same functions that would otherwise be performed by the public officials described in subdivision (1)(B) above.

(2) “Public investments” means the investment of public moneys in real estate, securities, or other economic interests for the production of revenue or other financial return.

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(4) “Management of public investments” means the following non-ministerial functions: directing the investment of public moneys; formulating or approving investment policies; approving or establishing guidelines for asset allocations; or approving investment transactions.

DESIGNATED POSITIONS AND FILING OFFICERS

Based on the foregoing, the following agency positions and/or consultants qualify as “other officials who manage public investments” and shall file Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) pursuant to Government Code section 87200 et seq. with the below-designated Filing Officers:

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Conflict of Interest Code**

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By: *Ali Reza Ghasemi*
Print Name: Ali R. Ghasemi
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