

RESOLUTION 2026-~~03~~ 02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974

WHEREAS, the Beaumont Basin Watermaster ("BBWM") is a multi-agency body established pursuant to a stipulated judgment of the Superior Court of the State of California and exercises decision-making authority affecting groundwater management, water rights, and related financial interests within the Beaumont Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Political Reform Act of 1974 (California Government Code section 81000 et seq.) requires every local governmental agency to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code designating positions required to file Statements of Economic Interests and specifying the disclosure required for each position (Government Code section 87300); and

WHEREAS, the BBWM Committee members, alternates, and certain consultants participate in making or influencing governmental decisions that may foreseeably affect financial interests; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a Conflict of Interest Code will promote transparency, compliance with state law, and public confidence in the integrity of the Watermaster's decision-making processes; and

WHEREAS, the BBWM Committee desires to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code consistent with the Political Reform Act and applicable Fair Political Practices Commission regulations and to submit the Code to the appropriate code reviewing body for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER that:

1. **Adoption of Conflict of Interest Code:** The Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee hereby adopts the Conflict of Interest Code attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. **Designation of Filing Officer:** The Recording Secretary of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster is hereby designated as the Filing Officer for purposes of administering the Conflict of Interest Code and receiving Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) filed pursuant to the Code.
3. **Submission to Code Reviewing Body:** The Recording Secretary is directed to submit the adopted Conflict of Interest Code, together with all required documentation, to the code reviewing body, for review and approval in accordance with Government Code section 87303.
4. **Effective Date:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption; provided, however, that the Conflict of Interest Code shall become operative upon approval by the code reviewing body.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of JUNE, 2026 by the following vote:

AYES: ARES (YUWD), ARMSTRONG (SMWC), JAGGERS (BCUWD)
VELA (BANNING), VESTAL (BEAUMONT)

NOES: —

ABSTAIN: —

ABSENT: —

BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER

BY:



ART VELA, CHAIR
BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY:



THIERRY MONTOYA, LEGAL COUNSEL
BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER

EXHIBIT A

BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER COMMITTEE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

This Conflict-of-Interest Code ("Code") is adopted pursuant to the Political Reform Act of 1974 (California Government Code section 81000 et seq.). This Code incorporates by reference the provisions of the Fair Political Practices Commission regulation 2 California Code of Regulations section 18730, which contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code. Any amendments to section 18730 duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference.

This Code and the attached Appendices designating positions and establishing disclosure categories constitute the conflict-of-interest code of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster ("BBWM"). This Code shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the Political Reform Act and applicable Fair Political Practices Commission regulations. In the event of a conflict, the Act and regulations shall control.

Filing of Statements of Economic Interests

Individuals holding designated positions shall file Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) in accordance with Government Code section 87500 and the deadlines applicable to their positions. Unless otherwise required by law, designated filers shall file their Form 700 with the BBWM Recording Secretary, who is the filing officer for BBWM. The filing officer may implement an electronic filing system consistent with applicable law.

The Recording Secretary shall retain each original Form 700 filed by BBWM Committee Members and Alternates for a minimum of two years, and shall retain in electronic form, provided the records are complete, secure, reproducible, and publicly accessible, for a minimum of seven years. All statements shall be retained by BBWM and made available for public inspection in accordance with Government Code section 81008. The Recording Secretary shall provide copies of the Forms 700 to the Riverside County Clerk of the Board, as the code reviewing body, upon request.

Filers are responsible for ensuring that their disclosures satisfy the requirements of each agency for which they are required to file.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

APPENDIX A: DESIGNATED POSITIONS

Designated Position	Disclosure Category
BBWM Committee Members and Alternates	1
BBWM assigned staff (including Recording Secretary) who participate in making or influencing governmental decisions	1
Consultants (as defined in 2 Cal. Code Regs. § 18730) who participate in making or influencing governmental decisions, including Legal Counsel, engineering/hydrogeology consultants, and administrative consultants	2

APPENDIX B: DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

Designated positions shall disclose financial interests in accordance with the assigned disclosure category.

Category 1: All investments, business positions, and sources of income (including loans, gifts, and travel payments) from sources that (a) are of the type that may foreseeably be affected by BBWM's decisions concerning groundwater management, water rights, water supply, groundwater recharge, extraction, monitoring, or related basin management actions, or (b) provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment of the type utilized by BBWM. Category 1 also includes interests in real property located within the jurisdiction of BBWM, or within two miles of the boundaries of the jurisdiction.

Category 2: All investments, business positions, and sources of income (including loans, gifts, and travel payments) from sources that provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment of the type utilized by BBWM, including but not limited to engineering, hydrogeologic and environmental consulting, legal services, administrative services, mapping and geospatial services, and data management services. Category 2 also includes interests in real property located within the jurisdiction of BBWM, or within two miles of the boundaries of the jurisdiction, to the extent the consultant's work relates to BBWM decisions affecting such property.

For purposes of these categories, BBWM's "jurisdiction" means the Beaumont Basin as defined in the judgment establishing BBWM, and any facilities or properties owned, leased, or used by BBWM for basin management purposes.