

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

GOLDEN STATE CONNECT AUTHORITY

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 of Regs. Sec. 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 Reforms 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 regulation, and the attached Appendices designating positions and establishing disclosure requirements, shall constitute the conflict-of-interest code of the **Golden State Connect Authority (Authority)**.

Officials and employees holding positions listed in this code must file their statements of economic interests electronically with the Fair Political Practices Commission. All statements must be made available for public inspection and reproduction under Government Code Section 81008.

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APPENDIX A

<u>Designated Positions</u>	<u>Assigned Disclosure Category</u>
Board Members, Alternates	1
Senior Vice President Business Development	1
Chief Economic Development Officer	1
General Counsel	1
Deputy General Counsel	1
Consultants/New Positions	*

Note: The Senior Vice President Business Development, Chief Economic Development Officer, General Counsel, and Deputy General Counsel positions are filled by staff of Rural County Representatives of California who act in a staff capacity for the Authority.

*Consultants and new positions shall be included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the disclosure requirements in this code subject to the following limitation: The Executive Director may determine in writing that a particular consultant/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 fully with the disclosure requirements in this section. 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 Executive Director’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. (Gov. Code Sec. 81008)

Public Officials Who Manage Public Investments

The following positions are NOT covered by the conflict-of-interest code because they must file under Government Code Section 87200 and, therefore, are listed for informational purposes only:

- Executive Director
- Deputy Director
- Chief Financial Officer

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.

Note: The Executive Director, Deputy Director, and Chief Financial Officer positions are filled by staff of Rural County Representatives of California who act in a staff capacity for the Authority.

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APPENDIX B

Category 1

Investments and business positions in business entities and sources of income (including receipt of gifts, loans and travel payments) if the business entity or source provides leased facilities, products, equipment, vehicles, machinery or services (including training or consulting services) of the type utilized by the Agency.

Category 2

Real property located within the jurisdiction as well as real property within two miles of the real property used or the potential site.