

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE  
OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND THE WILDLIFE  
CONSERVATION BOARD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Wildlife Conservation Board, pursuant to the authority vested in them by section 87306 of the Government Code, propose amendment to their Conflict of Interest Code. All inquiries should be directed to the contact listed below. A written explanation of why each position was selected and the reasons for the disclosure categories is available.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Wildlife Conservation Board propose to amend their Conflict of Interest Code to include employee positions that involve the making or participation in the making of decisions that may foreseeably have a material effect on any financial interest, as set forth in subdivision (a) of section 87302 of the Government Code. The amendment carries out the purposes of the law and no other alternative would do so and be less burdensome to affected persons.

Changes to the Conflict of Interest Code include the addition of new classifications as well as revisions to renamed classifications. The number of disclosure categories has been increased from 3 to 9 to more closely tailor reportable interests to the work of the Department. There are also other technical changes. The Fish and Game Commission has been removed, as it is adopting its own Conflict of Interest Code.

Information regarding the code amendment is attached to this email.

Any interested person may submit written comments relating to the proposed amendment by submitting them no later than July 5, 2016, or at the conclusion of the public hearing, if requested, whichever comes later. At this time, no public hearing is scheduled. A person may request a hearing no later than June 20, 2016.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Wildlife Conservation Board have determined that the proposed amendments:

1. Impose no mandate on local agencies or school districts.
2. Impose no costs or savings on any state agency.
3. Impose no costs on any local agency or school district that are required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
4. Will not result in any nondiscretionary costs or savings to local agencies.
5. Will not result in any costs or savings in federal funding to the state.
6. Will not have any potential cost impact on private persons, businesses or small businesses.

All inquiries concerning this proposed amendment and any communication required by this notice should be directed to:

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