SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT
NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND THE CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT intends to amend its Conflict-of-Interest Code pursuant to Government Code Section 87300 and 87306. Pursuant to Government Code Section 87302, the Code will designate employees who must disclose certain investments, income, interests in real property and business positions, and who must disqualify themselves from making or participating in the making of governmental decisions affecting those interests.

A written comment period has been established commencing on October 29, 2026 and terminating on December 14, 2026. Any interested person may present written comments concerning the proposed Code, a copy of which is being concurrently transmitted to you along with this Notice, no later than December 14, 2026 to the SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT, 930A Nysted Dr, Solvang, CA 93463, or by email to admin@ssjwd.org. No public hearing on this matter will be held unless an interested person or his or her representative requests a public hearing no later than 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period.

The SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT has prepared a written explanation of the reasons for the designations and the disclosure responsibilities and has available all of the information upon which its proposal is based.

The impetus for the adoption of this Code is the age of the current code and new disclosure requirements established by the Fair Political Practices Commission. These new requirements stem from Senate Bill 1156, effective January 1, 2025, which requires decision-makers of groundwater sustainability agencies to annually disclose their economic or financial interests and file electronically with the FPPC, as well as Senate Bill 852, effective January 1, 2026, which changed the filing officer for public officials who manage public investments, thereby changing the filing location for their Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) to the Fair Political Practices Commission. As a result of these new requirements, certain existing designated positions, namely the members of the Board of Directors, the General Manager, and the Treasurer/Tax Collector/Assessor must be reclassified to conform to the requirements of Senate Bill 852 and Government Code section 87200. Such positions constitute public officials who manage public investments and are therefore required to file their Statements of Economic Interests electronically with the Fair Political Practices Commission ("FPPC"). The proposed amended Code, along with all supporting information upon which the proposal is based, is available for review at the District's office. The adoption of the Code will not impose a cost savings to the District that is required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code; will not result in any nondiscretionary cost or savings to local agencies; will not result in any cost or savings in federal funding to the state; will not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts; and will not have any potential cost impact on private persons or businesses, including small businesses. No alternative considered by the District would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action

All inquiries concerning the proposed Code should be directed to Stephanie Bertoux, 930A Nysted Dr, Solvang, CA 93463, or by email to admin@ssjwd.org.