Cuttlefish Labs Ethical Operations Manifesto

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Our Mission

Cuttlefish Labs exists to build regenerative, transparent, and sovereign infrastructure for a climate-resilient future. Our work spans AI-managed infrastructure, DAO governance, carbon-negative finance, and digital twin cities. As such, we hold ourselves to a higher ethical standard.

🌻 1. Financial and Operational Transparency

- All major token flows, staking events, and grant disbursements are executed on-chain.
- Project milestones and agent contributions are logged to IPFS and versioned.
- No "shadow books" or undisclosed entities are used.
- Treasury snapshots are published monthly for DAO review.

2. AI Integrity and Non-Deception Policy

- We explicitly distinguish between:
- Fully autonomous agents (e.g., RAG pipelines, predictive agents).
- Human-assisted tools (e.g., UI builders, manual triggers).
- We reject the use of "AI-washing" to inflate capability claims.
- All agent claims (outputs, forecasts) are subject to scoring by verifiable audit tools (e.g., zkML, ORA).

3. Engineering and Labor Ethics

- Engineers and contributors must:
- Disclose concurrent employment if contributing >5 hours/week.
- Sign a DAO contributor pledge (code of conduct + exclusivity clause for critical roles).
- Not use shared internal code or data for other employers without DAO approval.
- Infra logs and AI system actions are monitored via Git, Docker, and agent logs to prevent covert misuse.

🌉 4. Anti-Fraud Guardrails for Investment and Partnerships

- No financial projections will be made without transparent model inputs.
- Due diligence packets include:
- · Smart contract addresses.
- Deployment flows (CI/CD).
- Engineering logs + commit histories.

• Partners and investors receive full audit logs, multisig snapshots, and agent scoring reports.

🌞5. Long-Term Alignment and Accountability

- Cuttlefish Labs is governed by DAO votes, milestone memory, and agent transparency.
- Contributors who violate ethics are removed via on-chain revocation.
- An Ethics Review Committee will be proposed by Q4 2025.

We believe innovation without integrity is ruinous. Cuttlefish Labs commits to building the future without compromising the foundations.