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**RESOLUTION NO. 81-2007 –  
RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION AND  
PLAN FOR SERVICES**

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**CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA**

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**A RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA REQUESTING THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rancho Cordova desires to initiate proceedings pursuant to Part 3 of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, commencing with Section 56000 of the California Government Code, for a change of organization which would annex, to the City of Rancho Cordova, territory of approximately 748 acres located in eastern Sacramento County on the north-northeast side of the City of Rancho Cordova ("proposed annexation area"); and

**WHEREAS**, on May 22, 2002, the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission approved Resolution No. LAFC 1243, which approved incorporation of the City of Rancho Cordova subject to terms and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the terms and conditions provided in Resolution No. LAFC 1243, paragraph 9.e adopted the Sphere of Influence for the City of Rancho Cordova as set forth in Exhibit D of that Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annexation area is the same area as the Sphere of Influence provided in Exhibit D of Resolution No. LAFC 1243; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2002, voters officially approved the boundary of the Sphere of Influence; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2003, the City of Rancho Cordova was incorporated; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annexation area was not included in the original incorporation area of the City of Rancho Cordova; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annexation area is included in the Sphere of Influence for the City of Rancho Cordova; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 5, 2005 the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova adopted Resolution No. 84-2005 of its intent to file an application to annex the Sphere of Influence for the City of Rancho Cordova and directed staff to prepare an application to be provided to the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annexation area is inhabited, and a map and description of the boundaries of the proposed annexation area are attached hereto as Exhibit A and by this reference incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the following are the principal reasons for the proposed annexation:

1. To provide expanded and improved services to businesses and residents in the proposed annexation area;
2. To enhance the character of the City of Rancho Cordova by ensuring that new projects in the proposed annexation area are consistent with the City of Rancho Cordova's General Plan; and

3. To provide for the logical extension of the City of Rancho Cordova.

**WHEREAS**, the following agencies would be affected by the proposed jurisdictional changes:

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Nature of Change</b>
City of Rancho Cordova	Annexation

**WHEREAS**, the Council has reviewed a Plan for Services which is attached as **Exhibit B**; and

**WHEREAS**, it is desired to provide that the proposed change of organization be subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The proposed annexation area shall be subject to the extension and collection of any previously authorized taxes, benefit assessments, fees or charges of the City of Rancho Cordova;
2. The proposed annexation area shall be subject to the provision of any service provided at the time of the change of organization or previously authorized by the City of Rancho Cordova to be provided;
3. The proposed annexation area shall be subject to any terms and conditions authorized or required by state or local law regarding the change of organization; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the City of Rancho Cordova, as the Lead Agency, prepared a Negative Declaration for the proposed annexation area entitled "Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the Sphere of Influence Annexation and Rezoning" and circulated it for review; and

**WHEREAS**, at its April 12, 2007 hearing, the Planning Commission approved a recommendation to the City Council to determine the environmental document prepared is adequate and adopt the Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the proposed annexation area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council reviewed the Negative Declaration at a noticed public hearing on May 7, 2007, at which time all interested parties had the opportunity to be heard; and

**WHEREAS**, at its July 2, 2007 hearing, the City Council adopted the Negative Declaration by Resolution No. 80-2007; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 2, 2007, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 12-2007, rezoning the proposed annexation area; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of intent to adopt this Resolution of Application has been given, and a public hearing has been conducted based upon this notification;

**WHEREAS**, the designated contact person for this Resolution of Application is Ted Gaebler, City Manager, and may be contacted at the following mailing address: 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 as required by the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission's Appendix L *Policies, Standards and Procedures for LAFCO*, Sacramento LAFCO, 1990 (Amended 1993), section VI(B)(1)(b)(5).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF RANCHO CORDOVA:** that this Resolution of Application is hereby adopted and approved by the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova, and the Sacramento County Local Agency

Formation Commission is hereby requested to take proceedings for the annexation of the proposed annexation area described in Exhibit A, according to the terms and conditions stated above, and as authorized and in the manner provided by the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 and the Plan for Services (Exhibit B) is submitted to the Commission.


**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2007 by the following vote:

**AYES:** Cooley, McGarvey, Skoglund, Budge and Sander

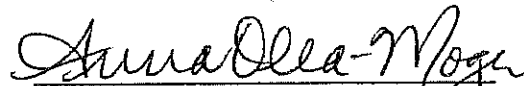
**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

  
David M. Sander, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Anna Olea-Moger, CMC, City Clerk



# CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA ANNEXATION OF THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

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Plan for Services



City of Rancho Cordova  
2729 Prospect Park Drive  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670  
July 2007





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PLAN FOR SERVICES  
FOR THE  
CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA  
ANNEXATION OF THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE  
CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA

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Sacramento County LAFCO



## INTRODUCTION

This document serves as a Plan for Services for the annexation of the approximately 748 acre Sphere of Influence into the City of Rancho Cordova.

A Plan for Services demonstrates that adequate services will be provided within the time frame needed by the inhabitants of the area included within the annexed boundary. Government Code Section 56653 states the following requirements for the Plan for Services:

- a) *Whenever a local agency or school district submits a resolution of application for a change of organization or reorganization pursuant to this part, the local agency shall submit with the resolution of application a plan for providing services within the affected territory.*
- b) *The plan for providing services shall include all of the following information and any additional information required by the commission or the executive officer:*
  - 1) *An enumeration and description of the services to be extended to the affected territory.*
  - 2) *The level and range of those services.*
  - 3) *An indication of when those services can feasibly be extended to the affected territory.*
  - 4) *An indication of any improvement or upgrading of structures, roads, sewer or water facilities, or other conditions the local agency would impose or require within the affected territory if the change of organization or reorganization is completed.*
  - 5) *Information with respect to how those services will be financed.*

On February 6, 2002, the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) approved a tentative boundary and Sphere of Influence for the proposed incorporation of Rancho Cordova. Voters officially approved the boundary on November 5, 2002; on July 1, 2003, the City of Rancho Cordova was incorporated.

The City of Rancho Cordova annexation proponents originally submitted a petition boundary that covered approximately 66.3 square miles, or approximately 42,432 acres. Territories initially slated for incorporation included the Sunrise Boulevard and Folsom Boulevard corridor, Mather Air Field, a portion of Aerojet Properties, Gold River, and territory south of Folsom Boulevard, east of Mayhew, north of Highway 50 and west of Bradshaw Road. Although the proposed annexation area was not included in the original incorporation, it was included in Rancho Cordova's Sphere of Influence (SOI).

The area proposed for annexation (the "annexation area") consists of approximately 748 acres located in eastern Sacramento County on the north-northeast side of the City of

Rancho Cordova, as shown in **Figure 1**. The City of Rancho Cordova borders the annexation area on all sides except to the north. The annexation area is bounded by Sunrise Boulevard to the west, Highway 50 to the north, Hazel Ave to the east, and by portions of Sanders Drive, Gold Valley Drive, and White Rock Road to the south, as well as portions of the Folsom South Canal to the south and east.

#### STATUTORY BASIS –ANNEXATION OF AREA WITHIN A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

The Cortese-Knox Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (California Government Code Sections 56000-58000 et seq.) provides the statutory foundation for the annexation of a Sphere of Influence. "Annexation" is defined as the inclusion, attachment, or addition of territory to a city or district.

Municipal annexations must occur within the borders of the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI). Although cities do not gain jurisdiction in unincorporated areas with establishment of an SOI, the designation of an SOI is intended to imply eventual annexation. Amended May 5, 1993, the Policies, Standards and Procedures for Sacramento LAFCo (PSP) further interpret the statutory requirements for establishing annexations. LAFCo will use this Plan for Services in reviewing the annexation of land within the SOI to the City of Rancho Cordova.

#### CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA LAND USE POLICIES

After the annexation area is incorporated into the City limits, the proposed rezoning would become effective. **Figure 2** is an aerial photo of the annexation area and its vicinity.

#### EXISTING (2006) LAND USE FOR THE ANNEXATION AREA

The majority of the land uses within this annexation area are commercial and industrial in nature, with a few vacant parcels (see **Figure 3**). The annexation area also contains the northern portion of the Mercantile Drive Business Park area, which is mostly occupied with one and two story office, warehouse and industrial uses. Along Folsom Boulevard, development is most intense near the Folsom Boulevard/Sunrise Boulevard intersection, consisting of retail, office, industrial, and hotel/motel uses. Land use opportunities at the eastern portion of Folsom Boulevard become more limited due to the boundaries created by US Hwy 50 and the Folsom South Canal rights-of-way. This section of Folsom Boulevard contains a sparse mixture of retail, office and industrial uses intermixed with a greater number of vacant and underutilized property. A light rail corridor parallels Folsom Boulevard for the entire length of the annexation area.

The southern portion of the annexation area (the area to the south of the Folsom South Canal) follows the eastern side of Sunrise Boulevard from Folsom Boulevard to just south of White Rock Road. There is a mix of commercial retail, industrial, and office uses, with a few vacant properties along Sunrise Boulevard. The existing Costco Center is located on the southeast corner of Sunrise Boulevard and White Rock Road.



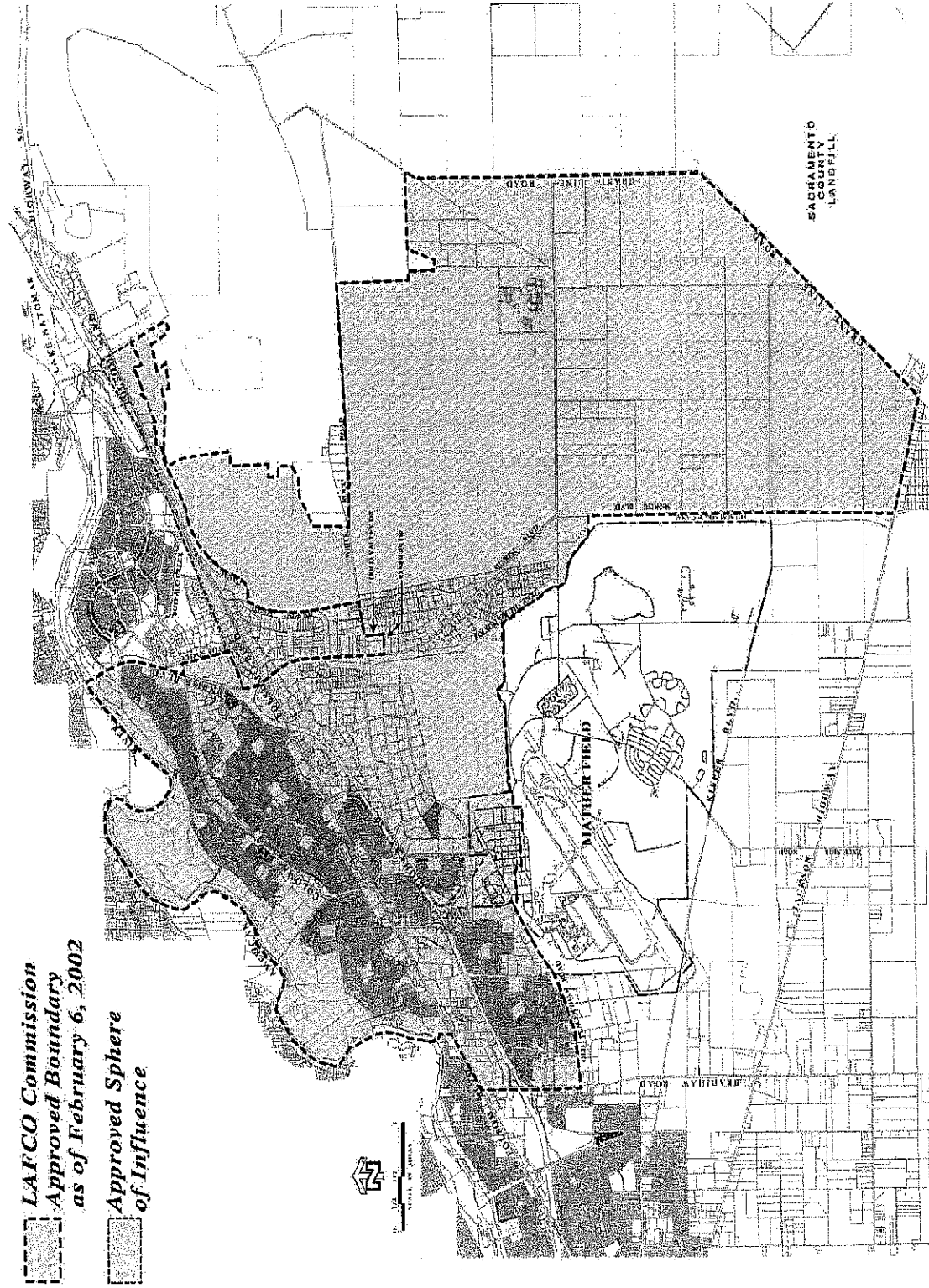
**CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA GENERAL PLAN LAND USES FOR THE ANNEXATION AREA**

The City of Rancho Cordova's General Plan has identified conceptual land uses for the proposed annexation area within the annexation area boundary. Land uses designated in the General Plan include a series of Transit-Oriented and Regional Town Centers at strategic locations around light rail stations and roadway interchanges.

Since Folsom and Sunrise Boulevards are both primary arterials within the annexation area, re-engineering and redesign of these roadways with an enhanced streetscape plan may be necessary in order to provide amenities for pedestrians and cyclists.



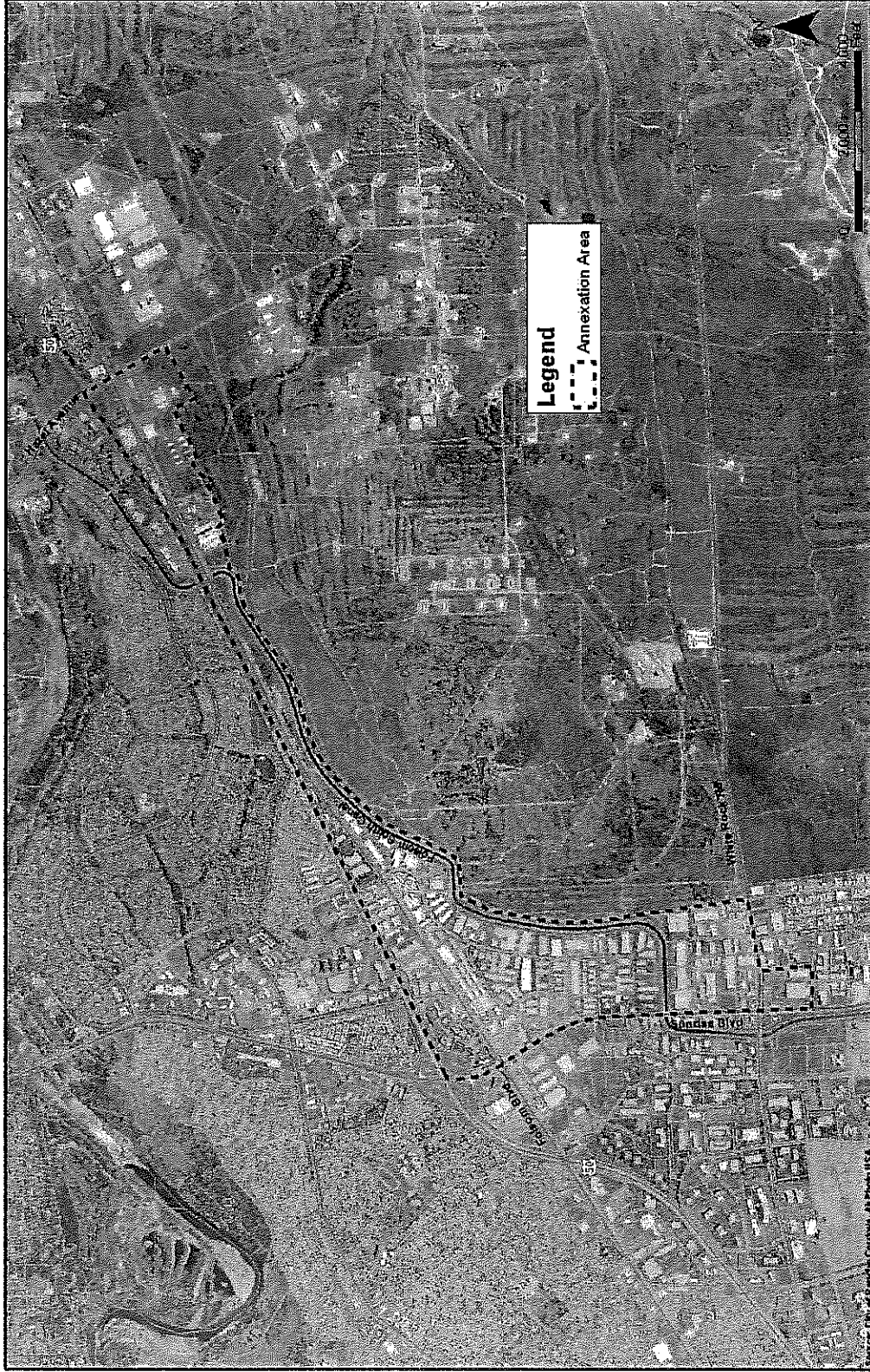
Figure 1: Rancho Cordova Sphere of Influence



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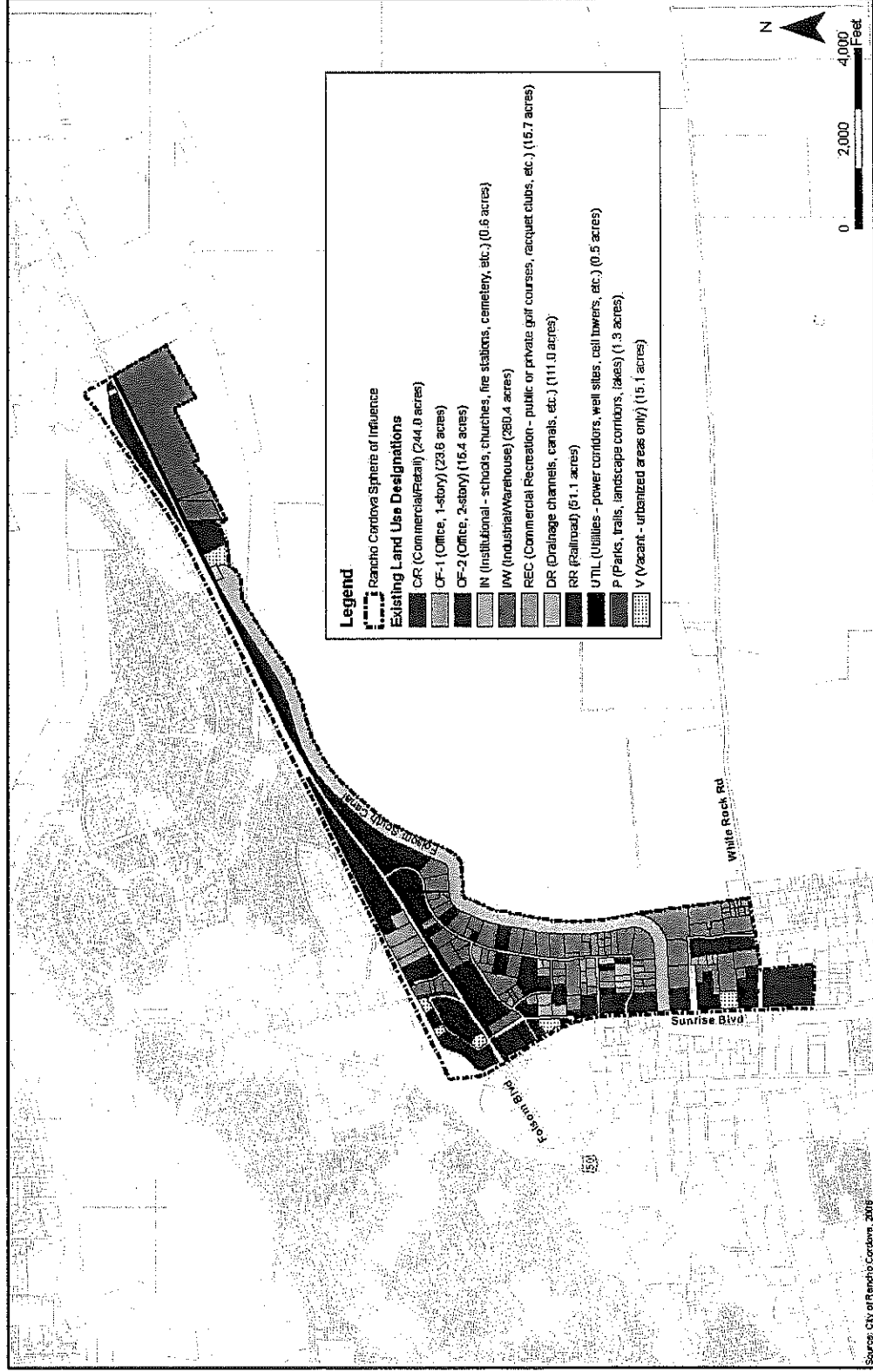


Figure 2: Annexation Area Aerial Photo



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Figure 3: Existing Land Uses



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Town centers and other commercial nodes along Folsom Boulevard are envisioned to serve as focal points for development and catalysts for redevelopment.

The portion of the annexation area along Sunrise Boulevard has been identified as Commercial Mixed Use (CMU) under the City's General Plan land use designations. Commercial mixed-uses are envisioned in the General Plan as primarily retail and service commercial development that may include office and/or residential uses. Limited industrial uses will continue to be an appropriate and viable use for some portions of the annexation area.

The proposed project allows for the continuation of existing non-conforming uses which may include pre-existing industrial uses, in order to support the evolving nature of this area.

The City's General Plan also envisions improving transportation amenities in general for the entire city, and along Folsom and Sunrise Boulevards in particular. With US Hwy 50 bordering the northern portion of the annexation area, there are significant opportunities for identifiable project design that would contribute to the enhanced character of the City. The City's General Plan aims for projects that are designed to enrich a pedestrian environment along a cohesive streetscape corridor. Similarly, the General Plan notes that the Folsom South Canal could be enhanced as a bicycle transportation facility with several nodes of activity. The General Plan stresses that new development should enhance the following transportation amenities:

**Light Rail access:** The segment of Folsom Boulevard within the annexation area contains one existing light rail station near Sunrise Boulevard, and has proximity to another station near Hazel Avenue. The General Plan also identifies a proposed station near the geographic mid-point of the area (east of Trade Center Drive).

**Access to US Hwy 50:** The annexation area has easy access to US Hwy 50 with major interchanges at Sunrise Boulevard at the western edge of the annexation area, and Hazel Avenue at the eastern edge of the annexation area.

**Regional Trail connections:** The Folsom South Canal constitutes a major boundary for a portion of this annexation area. This provides significant opportunity for a regional trail and bicycle transportation facility. Two regional trail connections under US Hwy 50 exist within this area, providing access from Folsom Boulevard to the American River Parkway, which is an existing recreation amenity. New trails can be linked to these two existing trails, with defined nodes of activity and access at key locations.

**Public transit amenities:** Sunrise Boulevard can be utilized as a major bus route connection to the light rail corridor along Folsom Boulevard. Safe and easy access to all forms of transit should be considered as part of development projects.

**Streetscape enhancements:** Sunrise Boulevard defines the western edge of the annexation area and provides the primary north-south access to the annexation area, while Folsom Boulevard serves as the primary east-west arterial for the area. Streetscape enhancements for both of these corridors are significant goals for the City under its General Plan Visioning. Any new development therefore should be pedestrian friendly and provide amenities for the walking and cycling public.

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### LEVEL OF DETAIL IN THIS PLAN FOR SERVICES

As a part of the annexation process, the City of Rancho Cordova is required to prepare a Plan for Services. Rancho Cordova is proposing changes in General Plan designations and zoning, compared to existing Sacramento County plans. A map of the proposed zoning for the annexation area, as approved by the City of Rancho Cordova in a rezoning action, is shown in **Figure 4**.

This Plan for Services focuses on the provision of services to the annexation area and the impacts to service providers. The Plan for Services addresses the requirements of Government Code Section 56653, identifying service providers, service levels, necessary upgrades, and financing of improvements.

### DESCRIPTION OF ANNEXATION AREA

This Plan for Services addresses the proposed annexation of all of the land currently included within the City's Sphere of Influence. All of the land is primarily flat, with few trees. The area is mostly developed, with commercial and industrial office buildings.

### GOVERNMENT JURISDICTIONS

The County of Sacramento is the current land use authority over the Rancho Cordova SOI. After annexation, the annexation area would be within the jurisdiction of the City of Rancho Cordova.

### ANNEXATION AREA - SURROUNDING LAND USE AND CONDITIONS

The areas adjacent to the annexation area on the east side and south side along Folsom South Canal and extending eastward toward the Hazel Avenue area are undeveloped with little vegetation and few trees. This is in contrast to the areas adjacent to the annexation area along the north and west side that have concentrations of residential, commercial and industrial development.

Along the north side of US Hwy 50, the area from Hazel Avenue to the point where Folsom South Canal crosses under US Hwy 50, there is an apartment complex and office buildings.

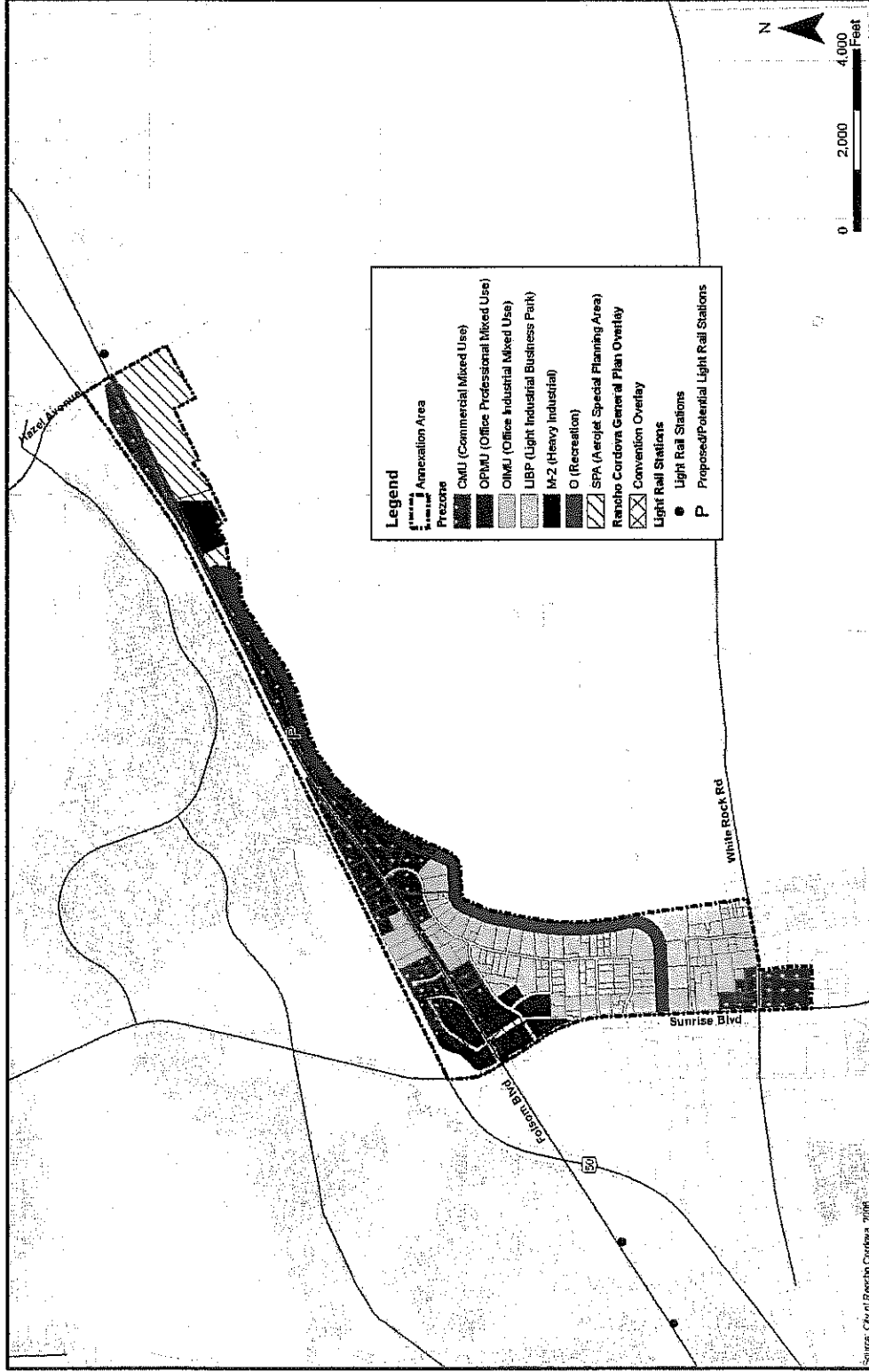
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The area from Folsom South Canal to the drainage ditch traversing under US Hwy 50 and just beyond includes the Gold River residential area. Further to the west are industrial buildings and a mobile home park at the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Sunrise Boulevard and US Hwy 50. The area adjacent to the western boundary of the annexation area is mostly a mixture of commercial and industrial buildings. The southern boundary of the annexation area is primarily bordered by vacant lands owned by Aerojet. The southernmost portion of the annexation area (including the existing Costco Center) is bordered by existing commercial and industrial uses.



Figure 4: Prezoning



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SERVICE PROVIDERS

This section describes the government and non-governmental service providers for the annexation area before and after annexation. Upon annexation to Rancho Cordova, some of the facilities and local public services would change from one provider to another, while some would stay the same. The current service providers and the providers for the area after annexations are shown in **Table 1** and described in the following section.

**TABLE 1  
SUMMARY OF SERVICES AND SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE ANNEXATION AREA**

Service	Current SOI Provider	Provider for Annexed Area	Change in Service Provider? Yes/No
<b>Government/Public Services</b>			
Animal Control	Sacramento County Animal Care and Regulation Department	City of Rancho Cordova Animal Services (contracting with SPCA for shelter services)	Yes
Building and Safety	Sacramento County Building Inspection Division	City of Rancho Cordova Building & Safety Department	Yes
Code Enforcement	Sacramento County Code Enforcement Division	Rancho Cordova Code Compliance	Yes
Electrical Service	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	No
Engineering	Sacramento County Public Works Department	City of Rancho Cordova Public Works Department	Yes
Fire Protection	Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District	Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District	No
Flood Control	Sacramento County Department of Public Works	Sacramento County Department of Public Works	No
General Government	Sacramento County Board of Supervisors	Rancho Cordova City Council	Yes
Law Enforcement	Sacramento County Sheriff and CHP (for traffic enforcement)	City of Rancho Cordova Police Department (contract with	Yes



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Service	Current SOI Provider	Provider for Annexed Area	Change in Service Provider? Yes/No
	only)	County Sheriff)	
Libraries	Sacramento Public Library	Sacramento Public Library	No
Parks and Recreation	Cordova Recreation and Park District and Bureau of Reclamation	Cordova Recreation and Park District and Bureau of Reclamation	No
Planning and Land Use Control	Sacramento County Department of Planning and Community Development	City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department	Yes
Public Works, Construction and Maintenance	Sacramento County Public Works Department, CSA 1, and Caltrans	City of Rancho Cordova Public Works Department, CSA 1, and Caltrans	Yes
Schools	Folsom-Cordova Unified School District	Folsom-Cordova Unified School District	No
Sewer Service	Sacramento County Sanitation District 1 (CSD-1) and Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District	Sacramento County Sanitation District 1 (CSD-1) and Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District	No
Transit Service	Sacramento Regional Transit	Sacramento Regional Transit	No
<b>Private Sector Services</b>			
Cellular Phone Service	Various private providers	Various private providers	No
Garbage Service	Private service providers through franchise agreements	Private service providers through franchise agreements	No
Natural Gas	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	No
Telephone Service	Various private providers	Various private providers	No
Television and Cable	Comcast	Comcast	No

Service	Current SOI Provider	Provider for Annexed Area	Change in Service Provider? Yes/No
<b>Joint Public/Private Sector Services</b>			
Water	Golden State Water Company, City of Folsom, and Sacramento County Water Agency Zone 40	Golden State Water Company, City of Folsom, and Sacramento County Water Agency Zone 40	No

GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SERVICES

**Animal Control**

The Sacramento County Animal Care and Regulation Department provides animal control services within the City's existing SOI. The Department operates the county animal shelter; issues dog and cat licenses; provides 24-hour field services for pick-up of stray, injured or dead animals; provides low-cost rabies vaccination clinics; notifies owners of impounded licensed animals; and enforces state, federal and local animal control laws in the unincorporated area of the county and in the City of Rancho Cordova.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would be served by the City of Rancho Cordova's Animal Services division. Division employees include two animal service officers who are responsible for investigating cruelty and neglect cases, providing animal licensing, and responding to emergencies. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) provides contract services to the City and provides shelter services, pet adoptions, spaying and neutering and educational programs. Annexation **would result in a change of service provision.**

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: General Fund

**Building and Safety**

The Sacramento County Municipal Services Agency Building Inspection Division currently serves the unincorporated area of Sacramento County with permit services including electrical, mechanical, plumbing, building, and moved building permits. There are three commercial field inspectors in the County. There are two residential field inspectors in the County, plus one inspector in the City of Rancho Cordova field office. The inspector in the Rancho Cordova field office only services permits within the City of Rancho Cordova boundaries.

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The City of Rancho Cordova Building & Safety Department provides plan review, inspection and electrical, mechanical, plumbing, building, and building permit services to commercial and residential construction in the City of Rancho Cordova. There are ten commercial and residential building inspectors.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the City of Rancho Cordova Building & Safety Department would provide all plan review, inspection and permit services to the annexation area. This change in service provider allows for local service with shorter wait times at the public counter and allows residents to avoid the commute into downtown Sacramento. The permit approval process is also faster, since the City only processes applications within the City versus the entire County of Sacramento. Annexation **would result in a change** of services regarding residential and commercial construction activities.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: Fees for services provided by applicants for new development and construction.

### **Code Enforcement**

The Sacramento County Code Enforcement Division includes three geographical teams that provide services in the north, south, and east areas of the County, which enforce housing, zoning and vehicle abatement. The team that services the eastern portion of the county includes the Annexation Area. There are three code enforcement officers on the East team, one Senior Code Enforcement Officer, and one Supervising Code Enforcement Officer.

The City's Code Compliance program provides code enforcement services for the entire City of Rancho Cordova. The team provides services including addressing substandard and unsanitary rental housing, vehicle abatement and other public nuisances. For FY 2007-2008, the City's budget includes a Neighborhood Services Manager and five Code Compliance Officers.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the Code Compliance team would provide all housing, zoning and vehicle abatement services to the annexation area. Currently, due to the distance from the County offices to the City, and the lack of responsiveness from the County's Code Enforcement Division, the City's Code Compliance team has been providing service to the businesses in the annexation area. Therefore, annexation would provide for increased levels of service, including increased response times by the Code Compliance team. Annexation **would result in a change** of services to code enforcement activities.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Services: General Fund

## Electrical Service

The Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD) provides electrical service to the City of Rancho Cordova and surrounding areas. SMUD's service area covers nearly 900 square miles and serves more than 500,000 residential and commercial customers. SMUD is owned by its customers, and governed by an elected Board of Directors. The seven directors are elected to staggered four-year terms, and each represents a different geographic area, or ward, within SMUD's service area. The Board of Directors determines policy for the District and appoints the General Manager, who is responsible for the District's operations. The City of Rancho Cordova SOI is located within Ward 2, under the direction of Susan Patterson. The existing electric facilities within Ward 2 include 12- to 69-kV transmission lines and bulk and distribution substations at various locations throughout Rancho Cordova and the surrounding area.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive electrical service from SMUD. Therefore, **no change** in the provision of electrical service would occur in association with the annexation.

## Engineering

The Department of County Engineering oversees Consolidated Utilities Billing and Service (CUBS), the Construction Management and Inspection Division (CMID), and the Development & Surveyor Services Division (DSS). The Consolidated Utilities Billing and Service section provides rate and billing information for services. The CMID supports construction efforts in the County of Sacramento; this includes inspection, basic materials testing and construction management for publicly bid construction projects. DSS combines the Infrastructure Finance Section (IFS), Land Division and Site Improvement Review (LDSIR), the Survey section, and the Technical Resource section into one service division.

The City of Rancho Cordova Public Works Department incorporates engineering services, which include construction management, construction inspection, permitting, infrastructure finance services, and plan review support to the Building & Safety Department. The County's Consolidated Utilities Billing and Service (CUBS) division provides utility billing services for drainage and sewer to the City. Refuse and water billing services are provided by private agencies (see Garbage Service and Water Service discussions).

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would receive service from the engineering division within the City of Rancho Cordova's Public Works Department. Annexation into the City would allow for shorter plan review times, and quicker responses to inspection requests. Annexation **would result in a change** to the majority of services provided in the annexation area.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Services: General Fund, Impact Fees, User Fees

### **Fire Protection**

The Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District (SMFD) provides fire protection services in Rancho Cordova. The SMFD has the responsibility for structural fire protection, wild land fire suppression and emergency medical services within the city limits of Rancho Cordova as well as the annexation area.

The SMFD maintains an extensive system of fire stations around Sacramento County. More than 500 firefighters working out of 42 stations are directly responsible to mitigate a wide variety of emergency incidents. Stations 63, 65, and 66 are close to the SOI vicinity. Many of the District's engines have paramedics and all responding units provide EMT services. The District's personnel are trained and equipped to deal with swift water emergencies, confined space incidents, technical rescues, hazardous materials incidents, and crash fire rescue.

The Fire Department has a total of 673 full time employees. Over five hundred are assigned to the "line" and over one hundred are administrative support staff. There are nineteen reserve firefighters as well. Dispatch services are provided through a regional service in Sacramento County.

Station 63 is located at 12395 Folsom Boulevard, Station 65 is located at 11201 Coloma Road, and Station 66 is located at 3180 Kilgore Road. All three stations are located in the City limits of Rancho Cordova and are less than one mile from the SOI.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive fire protection from the SMFD. **No change** in the provision of fire protection services would occur in association with the annexation.

### **Flood Control**

The Sacramento County Department of Water Resources provides storm drainage services for the County and City of Rancho Cordova. This Department was formed to manage the County's surface water and groundwater resources using the powers of the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA). The drainage and flood control system operated and maintained by Sacramento County consists of 2,500 miles of storm drain pipe, 1,500 miles of roadside ditches, 400 miles of creeks and open channels, 35 pump stations, and 12 detention basins. Municipalities and local reclamation and flood control districts provide additional drainage and flood control services within their jurisdictions.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive flood control service from the Sacramento County Department of Water Resources. **No change** in the provision of flood control services would occur in association with the annexation.

## General Government

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors is the governing body for the County. The Board is empowered to adopt ordinances, establish programs, levy taxes, appropriate funds, appoint certain officials, and zone property in the unincorporated area of the County. There are five (5) Board members, each with their own district.

The City of Rancho Cordova's governing body is the City Council. There are five (5) at-large Council members. The City Council is empowered to adopt ordinances, establish programs, levy taxes, appropriate funds, appoint certain officials, and zone property within the City of Rancho Cordova.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the governing body and all responsibilities for the annexation area would fall under the jurisdiction of the Rancho Cordova City Council. The area would be represented by all five City Council members who each serve the entire city. Annexation **would result in a change** in general government services.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: General Fund

## Law Enforcement

The Sacramento County Sheriff's Department provides services to the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County. The Department is broken up into eight divisions, which includes the East Division, which surrounds the City of Rancho Cordova. Currently, the annexation area is within the patrol area of the East Division. The East Division provides patrol, investigative, Problem Oriented Policing, report writing, crime prevention, and crime analysis functions to the unincorporated areas of Rosemont, Butterfield-Riviera East, Gold River, Rancho Murieta, and the remaining unincorporated area east to the Sacramento County line. The East Division operates out of the Rockingham Station at 10361 Rockingham Drive. Three officers cover all of the East Division which is approximately 138.2 square miles in size, spreading both sides of Rancho Cordova. The average response time for priority (emergency) calls in Sacramento County is approximately 14 minutes.

The City of Rancho Cordova has established a law enforcement services contract with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. The Rancho Cordova Police Department (RCPD) provides law enforcement services to the citizens of Rancho Cordova. Currently, the RCPD headquarters is located at 10361 Rockingham Drive. The City Police Department shares some of its resources with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. The average response time for priority calls in the City of Rancho Cordova is approximately 8 minutes.

As of February 2007, the RCPD had 75 sworn personnel, which includes 6 lieutenants, 9 sergeants, 9 detectives, 35 patrol officers, 10 motor officers, and 6 POP (Problem Oriented Policing) officers. Upon annexation, the annexation area will be included in

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Patrol Zone 6 of the RCPD, although future developments in the City's eastern area would likely result in a splitting of beats to provide adequate staffing levels. The City would increase the overall number of officers in Patrol Zone 6 to meet the additional calls for service and to increase patrolling in the area.

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) provides traffic and emergency incident services to all California highways, interstates, and state and county roads. The annexation area is included in the patrol area of the CHP's Valley Division. The Valley Division patrols Highway 50, which is the northern border of the annexation area. Since the Rancho Cordova city limit line is the centerline of Sunrise Boulevard, the CHP is also currently responsible for traffic enforcement on Sunrise Boulevard northbound. However, most of the patrolling is accomplished on the highway, while state and county roads in the area are not patrolled regularly by the CHP and generally receive service only on a call-for-service basis (i.e. accidents, complaints from business, etc.).

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would be served by the City of Rancho Cordova Police Department via a contract with the County Sheriff. Additionally, the RCPD would take over the responsibilities of the CHP for traffic enforcement, specifically on Sunrise Boulevard northbound, between just south of White Rock Road to Highway 50. This take over would allow for increased response times and services on the state and county roads in the annexation area. In addition, annexation would result in increased levels of service including expanded and improved criminal investigation services, and significant reductions in average response times to emergency calls by the RCPD. Annexation **would result in a change** of service provision.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: General Fund

### **Libraries**

The Sacramento Public Library provides library service in the City of Rancho Cordova and surrounding unincorporated areas of the County. The system currently has 27 branches located throughout Sacramento County including one just outside the city limits of Rancho Cordova at 9845 Folsom Boulevard.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive library service from the Sacramento Public Library. **No change** in the provision of library service would occur in association with the annexation.

### **Parks, Recreation, and Open Space**

The Cordova Recreation and Park District (CRPD) owns and maintains parks, open space, trails, recreation facilities, and recreation programs in the City of Rancho Cordova and the annexation area. Rancho Cordova is home to an extensive system of public parks and recreation programs.



The Bureau of Reclamation provides services to the Folsom South Canal and adjacent bicycle facility that is partially located within the annexation area.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive park and open space services from the CRPD; however, there are no parks currently in the annexation area, nor are any planned for the annexation area at the current time. The Bureau of Reclamation would continue to provide services to the Folsom South Canal and adjacent bicycle facility. There would be **no change** to the provision of service as a result of the annexation.

### **Planning and Land Use Control**

The Sacramento County Planning and Community Development Department controls planning and land use functions throughout the unincorporated county areas. The Department's services include county-wide, specific, and community planning, current planning and zoning, code enforcement, community planning advisory councils, community planning councils, and planning review.

The City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department facilitates planning and land use control functions within the City. The Department's services include current and long-range planning, General Plan implementation, environmental review, design review, regional coordination, and support to other City departments and the Planning Commission.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, all planning and land use controls for the annexation area would fall under the responsibility of the City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department. Annexation would provide for better implementation of the General Plan and the Folsom Boulevard Specific Plan. Annexation **would result in a change** to planning and land use services.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: General Fund (fees for service), Special Revenue Fund (i.e. General Plan Impact Fee)

### **Public Works, Construction and Maintenance**

The County of Sacramento Municipal Services Agency oversees many different County departments, which includes the Department of Transportation (DOT). The DOT's services include public right-of-way construction and maintenance, traffic safety, pothole repair, and graffiti removal, among others. County Service Area 1 (CSA 1), a division in the DOT, provides street and highway lighting maintenance and operation services throughout the County. Caltrans provides infrastructure maintenance services to the highway interchanges throughout the County. They also provide landscaping and signal lighting services to the interchanges.

The Rancho Cordova Public Works Department focuses on projects and support services throughout the City that are primarily in the public right-of-way. These services

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include the operation and maintenance of roads, traffic calming, traffic signals, street signs, pothole patching, and graffiti abatement, as well as shuttle service and trip reduction programs. The Public Works Department also oversees residential solid waste pick-up (contracted through Allied Waste), and monthly street sweeping services (contracted through Wells Sweeping). CSA 1 provides street and highway lighting maintenance and operation services in the City of Rancho Cordova. Caltrans provides infrastructure maintenance services, including landscaping and signal lighting services, throughout the City.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, all public works services would be the responsibility of the Rancho Cordova Public Works Department. Annexation would result in improved levels of service, including street sweeping services twice a month on arterial and collector roads and once a month for residential roads (except for the months of November and December when residential roads are swept twice a month during leaf season), pothole repair within 48 hours, and inclusion in the City's street resurfacing schedule. CSA 1 would continue to serve the annexation area. Caltrans would continue to provide services to highway interchanges (i.e. Hwy 50/Sunrise Blvd. and Hwy 50/Hazel Avenue). Annexation **would result in a change** to the public works services, excluding the services provided by CSA 1 and Caltrans.

When Services Can Be Extended: Immediately upon annexation

Financing of Service: General Fund (fees for service), Special Revenue Fund (i.e., Gas Tax Fund, Measure A, Proposition 42, Service Districts), Capital Projects Fund

### **Schools**

The Folsom-Cordova Unified School District encompasses portions of eastern Sacramento County, including the cities of Folsom and Rancho Cordova, California. As of February 2007, the district is made up of 30 schools, with 20 elementary schools, 4 middle schools, 2 high schools, plus continuation high schools, adult education and other service centers.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to be served by the Folsom-Cordova Unified School District. No schools are being planned for development in the annexation area. Therefore, **no change** in the provision of school service would occur in association with the annexation.

### **Sewer Service**

The Sacramento County Sanitation District-1 (CSD-1) provides treatment and disposal services to the City of Rancho Cordova and surrounding unincorporated areas. The main CSD-1 collection system includes over 2,400 miles of sewer pipelines ranging in size from 4 to 75 inches in diameter. The Rancho Cordova collection system includes trunks (designed to carry flows from 1 – 10 mgd) and laterals, which are wastewater conveyance facilities that carry wastewater flows of less than 1 mgd. The CSD-1 facilities collect and transport wastewater into Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District's (SRCSD) regional treatment and disposal facilities. The SRCSD Wastewater

Treatment Plant (SRWTP) located at 8521 Laguna Station Road, north of the City of Elk Grove, has a dry weather flow design capacity of 181 million gallons per day (mgd). The SRWTP receives and treats an average of 155 mgd. Treated effluent charges from Rancho Cordova and the surrounding area are conveyed to SRCSD's regional system and ultimately discharged into the Sacramento River near the unincorporated town of Freeport in Sacramento County.

The department operates under the Regional 2020 Master Plan, which is used to determine how the SRCSD will provide future wastewater treatment service to the community. The Master Plan is updated every five years to incorporate revised land use plans and projections. The projections are based on Sacramento County General Plan and local jurisdictions land use projections within the Urban Services Boundary through 2014. The Master Plan also identified improvements and modifications needed to ensure sufficient capacity in both conveyance and treatment facilities.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive wastewater conveyance service from CSD-1 and treatment and disposal services from SRCSD. **No change** in the provision of sewer service would occur in association with the annexation.

### **Transit Service**

Sacramento Regional Transit (RT) currently provides bus and light rail service to the City of Rancho Cordova. Currently, there are a total of four bus routes that travel major arterials within the City of Rancho Cordova. These bus routes include 72 (Rosemont-Lincoln Village), 73 (White Rock), 74 (International), and 75 (Mather Field). Route 73 is the only route that provides service within the annexation area.

Additionally, one light rail route travels through the annexation area along Folsom Boulevard, with stops at Sunrise Boulevard, Hazel Avenue, and one planned stop just east of Trade Center Drive.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive RT service from existing facilities. **No change** in the provision of transit service would occur in association with the annexation.

## **PRIVATE SECTOR SERVICES**

### **Cellular Phone Service**

Cellular phone service to Rancho Cordova and surrounding areas is provided by a number of cellular companies. Cellular providers within the City and the surrounding area include, but are not limited to, Verizon, AT&T Wireless, T-Mobile, Surewest, Nextel Communications and Sprint PCS.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive cellular service from any of the existing providers in the area. **No change** in the provision of service would occur in association with the annexation.

### Garbage Service

Commercial and industrial businesses in Sacramento County are able to choose their own solid waste pick-up service. The Sacramento County Department of Waste Management & Recycling (DWMR) is responsible for maintaining a waste management system for residents and businesses in the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County. The DWMR oversees the Sacramento Regional Solid Waste Authority (SWA), which regulates commercial solid waste collection by franchised haulers through SWA ordinances. Section 1.01.130 in Ordinance 16 states that the initial term for any franchise agreement shall not exceed five (5) years.

Waste Management and Allied Waste are the two largest commercial and industrial waste haulers in the County. There are approximately twelve other franchised haulers permitted to provide commercial and industrial waste services in the County (<http://www.sacramentoswa.com/franchisees.html>).

Solid waste within the County limits is typically delivered to Sacramento County's Kiefer Landfill, located at the intersection of Grant Line Road and Kiefer Boulevard. Kiefer Landfill is the only landfill facility in Sacramento County permitted to accept household waste from the public. Currently, the Kiefer Landfill is operating below permitted capacity and will have capacity for the next 30 to 40 years based on current disposal rates.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would come under the jurisdiction of the City of Rancho Cordova. Commercial and industrial businesses would continue to choose their own garbage pick-up service. The City of Rancho Cordova also oversees franchise agreements with private companies. There are currently ten approved franchised haulers within the City of Rancho Cordova. Existing providers in the annexation area are allowed to continue as long as the provider is on the City's list for franchised haulers. If the company is not currently on the City's list, the company must apply to the City to be on the list of franchised haulers. Therefore, there would be **no change** to commercial and industrial garbage service as a result of annexation.

### Natural Gas

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) provides natural gas for Sacramento County and the City of Rancho Cordova. Existing facilities in the City of Rancho Cordova consist of 4 ½-inch to 16-inch pipelines delivering service to all customers that are not served by private propane tanks. All construction and maintenance activities for natural gas facilities are the responsibility of PG&E.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive natural gas service from PG&E. **No change** in the provision of natural gas service would occur in association with the annexation.

### Telephone Service

There are various private service providers that offer telephone service in Rancho Cordova and the surrounding unincorporated areas.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive telephone service from the various private service providers. **No change** in the provision of telephone service would occur in association with the annexation.

### Television and Cable

Comcast provides television and cable service for the City of Rancho Cordova and surrounding unincorporated areas. There are also various companies that provide satellite dish services.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive television and cable service from Comcast, and would have continued service from various satellite dish providers. **No change** in the provision of cable television service would occur in association with the annexation.

## JOINT PUBLIC/PRIVATE SECTOR SERVICES

### Water Service

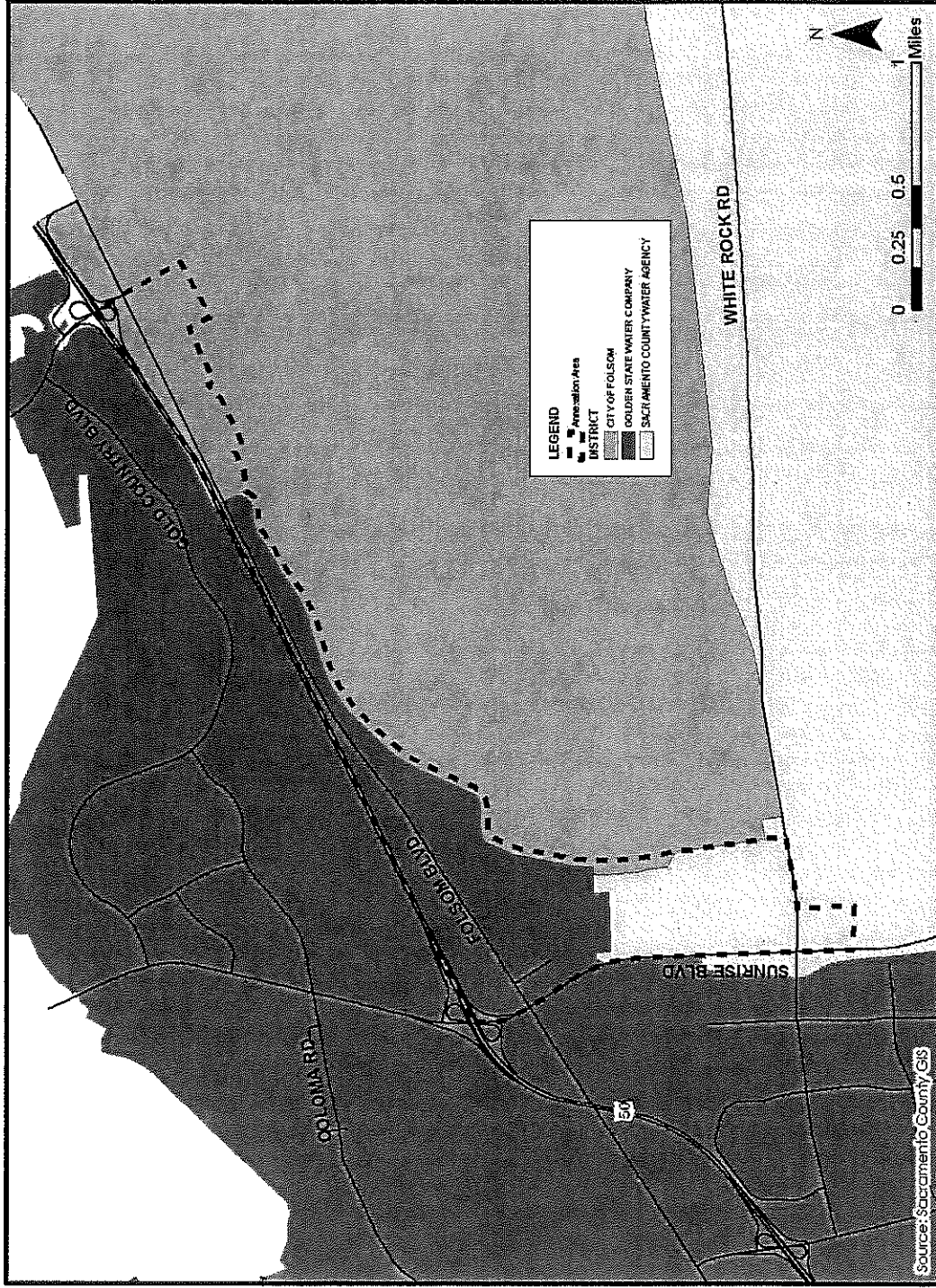
The Golden State Water Company, the City of Folsom, and the Sacramento County Water Agency provide the water services in the annexation area (see **Figure 5**).

The entire City of Rancho Cordova and surrounding areas fall within the Zone 40 Groundwater Management Zone, which was formed for fee collection to compensate for the construction of water facilities and the distribution system within the zone. Water is supplied to Zone 40 from a variety of different sources including surface water, groundwater, conservation, and reclaimed water. Zone 40 encompasses nearly 25,440 acres within its zone boundaries.

Summary of Changes: Following annexation, the annexation area would continue to receive water service from the Golden State Water Company, the City of Folsom, and the Sacramento County Water Agency. Therefore, **no change** in the provision of water services would occur in association with the annexation.

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Figure 5: Water Service Providers







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**ORDINANCE NO. 12-2007 –  
ANNEXATION PREZONE MAP**

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