

MULTI-PURPOSE DISTRICTS

Multipurpose districts in Sacramento County consist of County Service Areas (CSA), Community Services Districts (CSD), and Municipal Utility Districts (see SMUD). Each of the three types of districts provides a similar range of services. The primary distinction between the County Service Areas, the Community Services District and Municipal Utility District is their respective type of governance. A County Service Area is a dependent district, governed by the County Board of Supervisors, whereas a Community Services District or Municipal Utility District can be an independent district, governed by its own elected Board of Directors. A more detailed description of the County Service Area and Community Services District follows. For a detailed discussion of the Municipal Utility District, refer to SMUD.

County Service Areas

Although CSA's are multipurpose districts, each of the six County Service Areas in Sacramento County essentially function as a single purpose district. CSA #1 is a countywide district that provides street and highway safety lighting services within Sacramento County and the City of Rancho Cordova. Two of the County Service Areas provide only park and recreation services. They include CSA #3, which changed its name to Rio Linda-Elverta Parks and Recreation Area, and CSA #4, which encompasses three zones: 4-B, which is named Wilton-Cosumnes Parks and Recreation Area; 4-C, Parks and Recreation - Delta Area; and 4-D, Parks and Recreation - Galt/Herald Area. CSA #5 was formed in 1992 for the specific purpose of providing extended services, consisting of street and highway sweeping, road maintenance, soil conservation and drainage control within the lake-oriented, pedestrian pocket development of Laguna Creek Ranch/Laguna West Area. CSA #6, formed in 1992, was created to provide funding for extended paratransit services in Sacramento County. The other County Service Area (CSA #9, which is inactive) was formed for the purpose of providing sewer service to the community of Hood. CSA #10 was formed in May 2003 for transportation services within a portion of the City of Rancho Cordova. CSA # 11 was formed October 2004 for the purpose of extended police protection.

County Service Areas are dependent districts, governed by the the Board of Supervisors. Government Code Section 25210.1 authorizes County Service Areas to perform all of the following:

1. Extend police protection
1. Structural fire protection
2. Local park, recreation or parkway facilities and services
3. Extended library facilities and services
4. Television translator station and services
5. Other miscellaneous extended services, which the County is authorized to perform and which are not already performed by the County on a countywide basis, such as:

- a. Water Services
 - b. Pest and Rodent Control
 - c. Street and Highway Sweeping
 - d. Highway Lighting
 - e. Refuse and Garbage Collection
 - f. Ambulance Service
 - g. Area Planning by an Area Planning Commission
 - h. Animal Control
 - i. Services provided by a Municipal Advisory Council
- 6. Road improvement and maintenance, including snow removal
 - 7. On-site wastewater disposal (such as septic tank maintenance)

Approximate boundaries for CSA #3, and CSA #4 (Zones B,C and D) are included on the Park and Recreation Districts map. The location of CSA #9 is shown on the Sanitation Districts map.

Community Services Districts

Sacramento County has three Community Services Districts: San Juan Suburban Community Services District, Rancho Murieta Community Services District, and Cosumnes Community Services District.

The San Juan Suburban CSD, established in 1954, provides wholesale and retail water service. The Rancho Murieta CSD, formed in 1982, provides a number of urban services. The Elk Grove Community Services District, formed in 1985, assumed fire protection and park and recreation responsibilities from the former Elk Grove Fire District and Elk Grove Recreation and Park District. In 2006, the Elk Grove Community Services District and the Galt Fire Protection District reorganized to form the Cosumnes Community Services District. All three Community Services Districts have an independent locally-elected Board of Directors.

Generally, Community Services Districts are independent districts; governed by a locally-elected Board of five Directors. If so desired, however, a CSD may be dependent, or be combined with a Municipal Advisory Council or Area Planning Commission. A Community Services District can provide the following services:

- 1. Water supply, for consumptive or recreative use
- 2. Sewage, storm water, and solid waste disposal
- 3. Fire protection
- 4. Police protection
- 5. Parks and recreation
- 6. Libraries
- 7. Mosquito abatement

8. Street lighting
9. Street construction
10. Street improvement and maintenance (subject to the consent of the County Board or City Council)
11. Undergrounding of electric and communication lines (subject to the consent of the affected utility)
12. Ambulance service, upon voter approval
13. Airports
14. On-site wastewater disposal, such as septic tank maintenance
15. Other services by special act of the State Legislature