

To: Olin Woods, Chair, and Members of the  
Yolo County Local Agency Formation Commission

From: Elisa Carvalho, Assistant Executive Officer

Date: December 14, 2009

Subject: Continued Public Hearing and Class 20 Categorical Exemption for  
Consolidation of Reclamation District 537 and 811; Correspondence from City  
of West Sacramento; and Proposal for Dissolution of Reclamation District 811

## **Recommended Action**

1. Open Continued Public Hearing to consider consolidation of Reclamation District 537 and Reclamation District 811 (Map A) and consider the Class 20 Categorical Exemption.
2. Receive letter and minute order from the City of West Sacramento City Manager on City Council decision to pursue discussions for dissolution of Reclamation District 811 (Attachment A).
3. Initiate a proposal for dissolution of Reclamation District 811 (Map A).

## **Reason for Recommended Action**

The Commission received a letter at its last LAFCO meeting on September 28, 2009 from the City of West Sacramento expressing interest in assuming Reclamation District (RD) 811's functions. The Commission continued the LAFCO hearing to December 14, 2009 to provide the City of West Sacramento more time to consider dissolution of, and subsequent provision of services in, RD 811 and to receive input from the City Council. On December 2, 2009, the City Council authorized the City Manager to pursue discussions with Yolo County LAFCO on dissolution of RD 811.

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Before dissolving a district, LAFCO must hold a public hearing on the dissolution proposal and make required determinations on the action. Subsequent to a public hearing, the Commission must hold a public protest hearing in Reclamation District 811.

### **Background**

On September 28, 2009, staff recommended the Commission initiate a proposal for consolidation of RD 811 with RD 537; however, the Commission also received a letter from the City of West Sacramento dated September 24, 2009 expressing interest in assuming RD 811's functions. The Commission continued the hearing to December 14, 2009 to provide the City of West Sacramento more time to consider dissolution of RD 811 and subsequent management of drainage in the RD 811 area.

The West Sacramento City Council met on December 2, 2009 to discuss dissolution and management of RD 811 drainage facilities. The City staff report identified ongoing funding available for drainage in the RD 811 area through the West Sacramento Levee Flood Control Agency (WSAFCA). According to the staff report, as a condition of securing federal and state cost sharing for the West Sacramento Levee Improvement Program, the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (WSAFCA) was required to provide provisions for ongoing operation and maintenance within the City. WSAFCA developed a formula based on land and estimated maintenance costs of each agency. The City receives \$48,000 per year on behalf of RD 811, which the report states is adequate to cover the annual operating and maintenance costs of the RD 811 facilities.

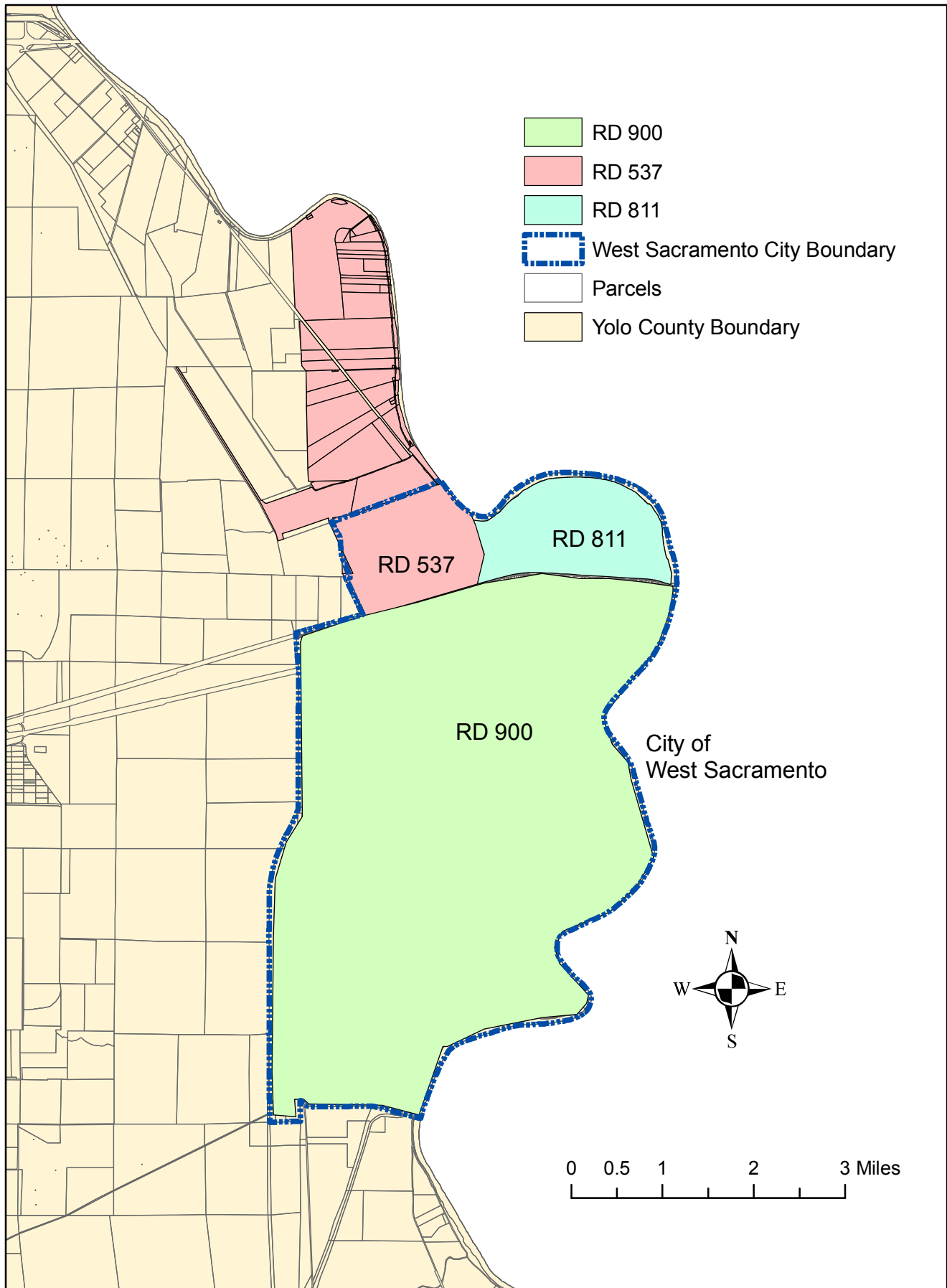
If LAFCO does not designate a successor district in dissolution of RD 811, the City of West Sacramento automatically becomes successor. The City would have control over all of the assets and assume the same powers and duties of the District for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the District. Any remaining funds would be used for the payment of any outstanding debt or other financial obligations. Any remaining assets would be distributed to the City of West Sacramento; however, the City is required to use any funds, money, and property to benefit the lands, inhabitants, and taxpayers within the territory of the dissolved district, as far as may be practical.

### **Attachments:**

**Map A:** Reclamation Districts in the City of West Sacramento

**Attachment A:** Letter and minute order from the City of West Sacramento City Manager regarding dissolution of Reclamation District 811

# Reclamation Districts in the City of West Sacramento





December 7, 2009

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Ms. Elisa Carvalho  
Assistant Executive Officer  
Yolo County LAFCO  
625 Court Street, Suite 107  
Woodland, Ca 95695

Subject: Dissolution of RD 811

Dear Ms. Carvalho:

As I believe you are aware, at its December 2, 2009 meeting, the City Council of the City of West Sacramento held a workshop on the current status of Reclamation District 811 and future management options for the district. One of the options presented was dissolution of the District with the City of West Sacramento as the successor.

The Council unanimously supported City management of the district. To that end, I have been authorized by the Council to pursue discussions with Yolo LAFCO for dissolution of RD 811 – a copy of the Minute Order is attached. The Public Works Manager, Greg Fabun, will be your point of contact in these matters as we move forward.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Greg Fabun at (916) 617-4855. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Toby Ross  
City Manager  
City of West Sacramento

cc: Bill Panos, Public Works Director  
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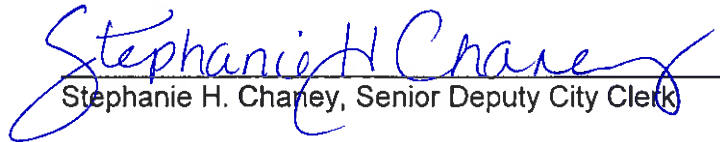
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At their meeting on December 2, 2009, the City Council heard a presentation on organizational alternatives for Reclamation District 811 and authorized the City Manager to pursue discussions with Yolo County LAFCO on dissolution of RD 811 at which time management of the former district facilities would be assumed by the City.

  
Stephanie H. Chaney, Senior Deputy City Clerk

