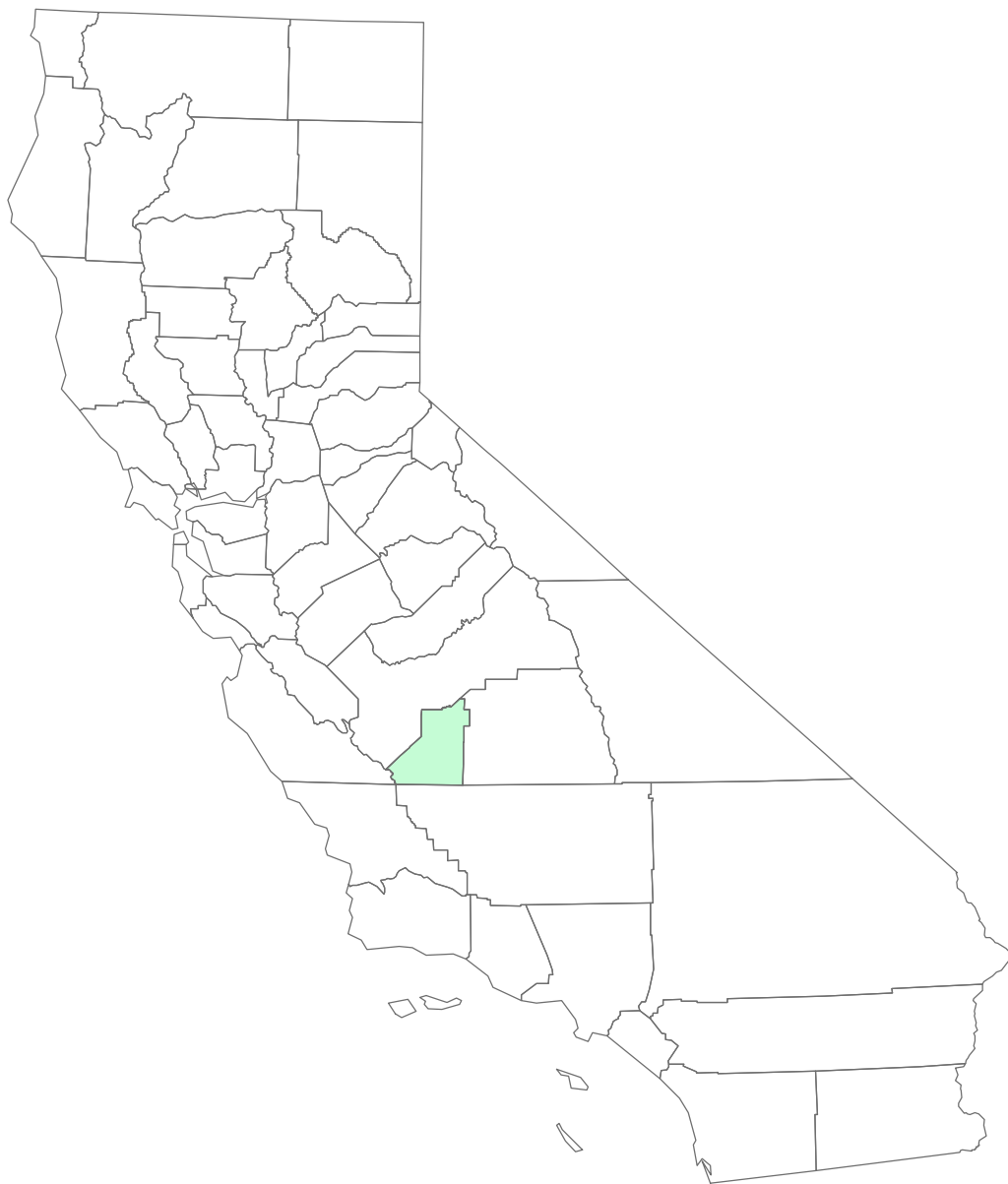




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# **CITY AND SPECIAL DISTRICT INVENTORY KINGS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

## **I. Introduction:**

California has experienced unprecedented growth since the mid 1800's when waves of immigrants began pouring into California during the Gold Rush. Explosive growth continued during the 1900's following World War II. Our states population has continued its steady clime and is expected to do so through the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Urbanization during the 1950's was increasingly centered on the automobile resulting in development patterns occurring in an inefficient manner, causing the sporadic formation of cities and special service districts. Cities amoeba like growth patterns set off the consumption of vast amounts of California's agricultural land. Premature and unplanned development created inefficient, expensive systems of delivering public services by various units of local government.

In response to California's inefficient urbanization during the 40's and 50's, the state legislature passed the Knox-Nisbit Act of 1963 resulting in the creation of Local Agency Formation Commission's or LAFCOs. Through the years, additional legislative acts have added more authority or additional powers to LAFCOs.

Kings County LAFCo is responsible for coordinating logical and timely changes in local governmental boundaries, conducting special studies that review ways to reorganize, simplify and streamline governmental structure and preparing a Sphere of Influence for each city and special district within each county. The Commission's efforts are directed to seeing that services are provided efficiently and economically while ensuring that agricultural and open-space lands are protected.

Through special studies, LAFCO's encourage governments to evaluate their current operations and options for reorganization. Local agencies often overlap and have the potential of duplicating services. LAFCO's conduct service studies and consolidation feasibility studies. These studies provide general information about local governments and present alternatives for improving services and reducing operational costs.

This special study is intended to provide the Commission and the public with information regarding the types of special districts in Kings County and to provide maps of their boundaries. The maps within this study depict the overall boundary and sphere of influence for each city and each active special district within Kings County. Additional information concerning these local government entities can be obtained by calling the Kings County Community Development Agency at (559) 582-3211, ext. 2680. A complete listing of the cities and special districts is located in Figure 1 below.

**Table 1: List of Active Cities and Special Districts**

### Cemetery Districts

- Corcoran Cemetery District
- Hanford Cemetery District
- Lemoore Cemetery District
- Kingsburg Cemetery District \*

### Community Services Districts

- Armona CSD (Formed in 1976 as a consolidation of the Armona Sanitary District & Armona PUD)
- Home Garden CSD
- Kettleman City CSD (Formed in 1973)

### County Service Areas

- Kings Co. Service Area No. 2 (Corcoran; formed in 1976)
- Kings Co. Service Area No. 3 (Fire; formed in 1993)
- Kings Co. Service Area No. 4 (Roads; formed in 1993)

### County Water Districts

- Kings County Water District

### Drainage Districts

- Tulare Lake Drainage District

### Hospital Districts

- Avenal Hospital District
- Corcoran Hospital District
- Kingsburg Hospital District \*

### Mosquito Abatement Districts

- Avenal Mosquito Abatement District \*\*\*\*
- Consolidated Mosquito Abatement District \*
- Kings Mosquito Abatement District

### Public Utility Districts

- Stratford PUD

### Reclamation Districts

- Tulare Lake RD No. 761 (formally Cohn-Central)
- Clarks Fork RD No. 2069
- Consolidated RD No. 812
- Delta Lands RD No. 770
- Duncan RD No. 685
- El Rico RD No. 1618
- Fresno-Kings RD No. 1003 \*\*\*\*
- Homeland RD No. 780
- Island # 3 RD No. 771 \*\*\*\*
- Island RD No. 776 \*\*\*\*
- Lovelace RD No. 739
- North Central Consolidated RD No. 2071
- South Central RD No. 2125 (Formed in 1989)
- Tulare Lake RD No. 749 (Consolidated in 1973 with Goldberg RD No. 753)
- Wilber RD No. 825

### Resource Conservation Districts

- Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District (1993 Consolidation of Excel. & Kings River.)
- Tulare Lake Resource Conservation District

### California Water Districts

- Angiola Water District
- Devil's Den Water District
- Dudley Ridge Water District
- Green Valley Water District (Formed in 1972)
- Lakeside Irrigation District
- Melga Water District
- Salyer Water District
- Westlands Water District \*

### Water Conservation Districts

- Kaweah-Delta Water Conservation District. \*\*
- Kings River Conservation District \*

### Water Storage Districts

- Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District

### Irrigation Districts

- Alta Irrigation District \*\*
- Consolidated Irrigation District \*
- Corcoran Irrigation District
- Empire-West Side Irrigation District
- Laguna Irrigation District
- Lemoore Irrigation District \*\*\*\*
- Stratford Irrigation District

### Kings County Cities

- Avenal
- Corcoran
- Hanford
- Lemoore

\* Fresno County District

\*\* Tulare County District

\*\*\* Kern County District

\*\*\*\* Inactive District

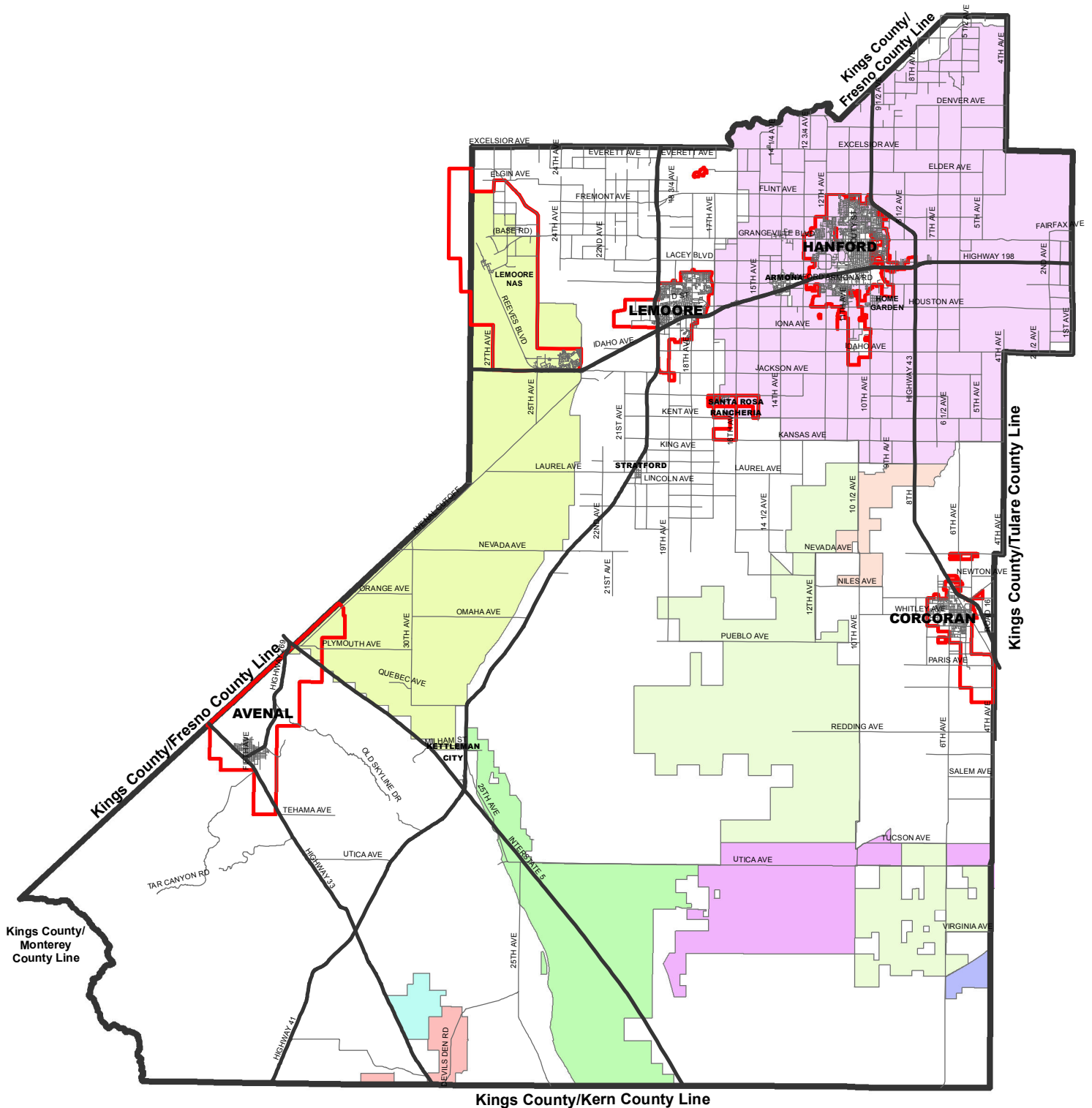
## California Water Districts

Angiola Water District  
 Atwell Island Water District  
 Devil's Den Water District  
 Dudley Ridge Water District  
 Green Valley Water District  
 Kings County Water District  
 Melga Water District  
 Salyer Water District  
 Westlands Water District

California water districts operate under authority of Water Code Sections 34000 through 38510. Their powers are provided for in Section 35300. Generally, California water districts produce, store and distribute water for irrigation purposes.

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Angiola Water District<br>944 Whitley Ave., Ste. A<br>Corcoran, CA 93212<br>992-8980                           | Atwell Island Water District<br>1598 Road 48<br>Delano, CA 93215<br>661-721-2884                                             | Devils Den Water Dist.<br>Dan Masnada<br>27234 Boquet Canyon<br>Santa Clarita, CA 91350<br>661-297-1600 |
| Dudley Ridge Water Dist.<br>c/o Dale Melville<br>286 W. Cromwell<br>Fresno, CA 93711-6162<br>449-2700, ext 103 | Green Valley Water Dist.<br>Matt Hurley<br>944 Whitley Ave., Ste. A<br>Corcoran, CA 93212<br>992-8980                        | Kings County Water Dist.<br>200 N. Campus Dr.<br>Hanford, CA 93230<br>584-6412                          |
| Melga Water Dist<br>Robert Atwood<br>C/O J.G. Boswell Co.<br>P.O. Box 877<br>Corcoran, CA 93212<br>992-5011    | Salyer Water District (Dependent)<br>Robert Atwood<br>C/O J.G. Boswell Co.<br>P.O. Box 877<br>Corcoran, CA 93212<br>992-5011 | Westlands Water District<br>3130 N. Fresno St.<br>P.O. Box 6056<br>Fresno, CA 93703<br>224-1523         |

# California Water Districts



1400 W Lacey Blvd.  
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## Legend

- Cities, Rancheria, NAS Lemoore
- Angiola Water District
- Atwell Island Water District
- Devil's Den Water District
- Dudley Ridge Water District
- Green Valley Water District
- Kings County Water District
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- Salyer Water District
- Westlands Water District