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Annexation would add nearly 600 acres to Natomas for homes

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Property owners who want to build about 1,600 homes on roughly 600 acres northeast of Natomas have applied to Sacramento for annexation to the city.

The application does not include any multifamily development, but does have a 10.6-acre neighborhood shopping center. It also designates land for elementary, middle and high schools as well as about 62 acres of parks and open space. The total area proposed for annexation is 589.4 acres.



CITY OF SACRAMENTO APPLICATION

Nearly 600 acres would be annexed to the northeast corner of Natomas for new development, under an application filed with the city of Sacramento.

The property is described as the “panhandle” and is currently zoned by Sacramento County for agricultural use. Borders include Del Paso Road on the south, Sorento Road and East Levee Road on the east, the existing city limit on the west, and Elkhorn Boulevard on the north.

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According to the application, the **Hodgson Co.** is the applicant on behalf of several existing landholders. Those include the Twin Rivers Unified School District, Moontide LLC and BD Properties LLC. The applicant could not immediately be reached for more information.

Though the annexation also includes about 124 acres on the northern end owned by Alice & Marie Krumenacher Trust, no development is planned for now for that portion.

This isn't the first time the panhandle property got scrutiny for annexation. In 2000, the city began a process to annex both the current property and another portion to the south of about 835 acres. The latter area is largely built out with industrial, warehouse and other commercial uses and is not included in the current application proposal. In 2007, the applicants to annex both parts of the panhandle withdrew the application before the city could vote.

In addition to the application with the city, the proponents will need to go through a Sacramento County Local Agency Formation Commission hearing for formal annexation.

The application seeks both the annexation and a city General Plan amendment. Because the property is already surrounded by the city on

two sides, a sphere of influence expansion does not seem to be necessary before seeking annexation.

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