



916 Area Code

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California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Role

- a) FCC holds jurisdiction over telephone numbering system, but delegated the area code relief to each state.
- b) CPUC monitors area code relief planning and conducts local jurisdiction and public meetings.
- c) North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA) administers the area codes.





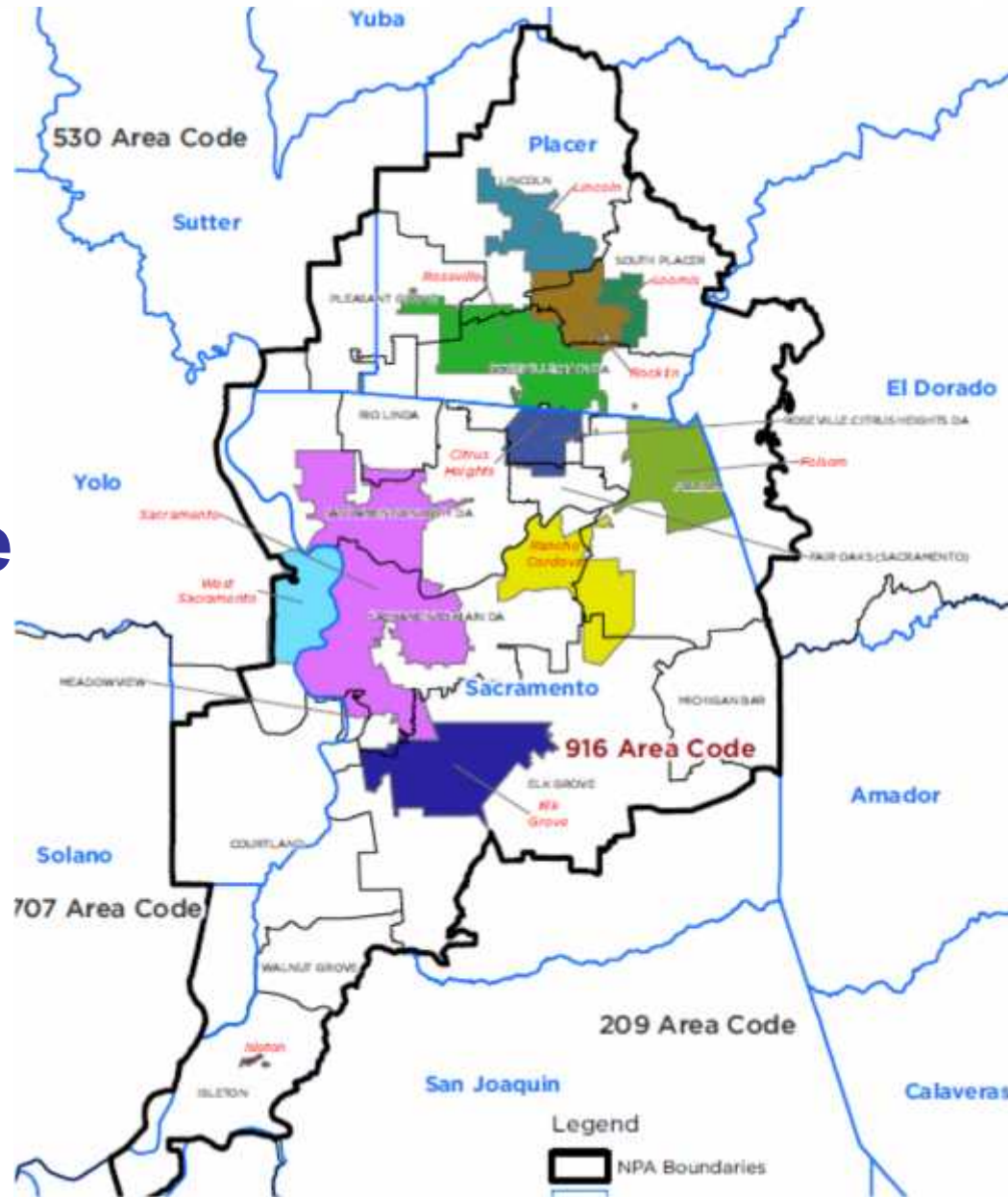
916 Area Code Background

- a) 916 area code serves Placer, Sacramento and Yolo Counties.
- b) 916 area code will use up all prefixes by March 2018.
- c) Public meetings were held in August 2016 and attendees expressed support for an overlay.
- d) NANPA filed an all-service overlay application with the CPUC.
- e) D.17-02-010 adds the **279** area code to the 916 geographic area.
- f) D.17-02-010 ordered a 13-month Public Education Program.





Map of 916 Area Code





Impacts of the Overlay

- a) Existing 916 customers will retain their current area code and telephone numbers.
- b) All customers must dial “1” followed by an area code and 7-digit telephone number.
- c) Calling areas and rates will not change.
- d) Calls to 911 and other N11s will continue to be dialed with 3 digits.
- e) New telephone numbers with 279 area code may be issued in March 2018.





Implementation Periods of the Overlay

- a) Permissive 1 + 10 dialing period – August 2017
- b) Mandatory 1 + 10 dialing period – February 2018
- c) Introduction of the 279 area code – March 2018

