MEMBERS NOW PAY FOR 35 PERCENT OF SAN DIEGO SEWER SYSTEM

SAN DIEGO — The cities and agencies outside the City of San Diego that use San Diego's sewer system now pay for an all-time high 35 percent of its costs.

The Metro Wastewater JPA (Joint Powers Authority) is a coalition of those jurisdictions that share in the San Diego wastewater system. Latest figures show that its member agencies now provide 35 percent of the flow into the sewer system, up from 33 percent. According to their agreement with the City of San Diego, they now will pay that percentage of the system's operating and maintenance costs.

Participating agencies in the Metro JPA are Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, the County of San Diego, and the Padre Dam Municipal and Otay water districts.

Del Mar City Councilmember Henry Abarbanel chairs the JPA. Imperial Beach Councilmember Mayda Winter is vice chair.

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