



Monthly Metro TAC Chair Report August 2025

This report includes a summary of action items, presentations, discussions and updates heard at the regularly scheduled Metro Technical Advisory Committee held on August 20, 2025.

Action:

Agenda Item 2: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA/Commission Approval of the Metro Wastewater JPA Policies & Procedures Manual.

- Rod Greek and Karyn Keeze presented the updated Metro Wastewater JPA Policies & Procedures Manual. They provided a summary of the included items and the changes made to previous policies/procedures. TAC had no questions or comments and unanimously recommended the item to the JPA.

Agenda Item 3: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA/Commission Approval of a Second Amendment with Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC to purchase Calcium Nitrate Double Salt Solution (Bioxide).

- City staff presented a proposed contract with Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC for up to \$858,000 (Metro portion) over 5 years for Bioxide used at East Mission Bay Trunk Sewer for odor control. They explained it was an extension of the current agreement with Evoqua needed for continues service. Based on TAC questions, City staff clarified the actual cost will be based on the amount of chemicals used, so this is a not to exceed amount. They are going to analyze their current dosing strategy and adjust to save money where possible especially as Phase 1 Pure Water comes online. TAC unanimously recommended the item to the JPA.

Agenda Item 4: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA/Commission Approval of a Contract Change Order with Cass Arrieta for Design and Construction services to Support the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant Storm Damage Repair Emergency Project.

- City staff presented a construction change order with Cass Arrieta for \$1,500,000 (total change order). They explained the January 22, 2024, storm caused a landslide above Point Loma WTP that required an emergency repair to protect the treatment facilities . The additional scope includes a geotechnical study and the permanent repair of the failed slope and the failed storm drain system. Based on TAC questions City staff clarified that

there was no damage to Point Loma during the storm and that they are trying to get retroactive funding from the State or FEMA for reimbursement, but that could take several years. TAC unanimously recommended the item to the JPA

Presentation:

Agenda Item 5: Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant – Monitoring Erosion and Evaluating Gatchell Road Access Options

- City staff presented the latest update on their monitoring and planning around the access road to Point Loma. They have been studying 5 options including no action and are taking all of them to a 10% design level. The main area of concern is along the access road and staff assured TAC that the other areas not being included in this analysis are of lesser concern and many have been previously reinforced. The City is continuing to talk to the Navy and the Parks Department and will keep TAC and the JPA in the loop as further studies are done.

Standing Items to be Brought to JPA:

Agenda Item 6: Metro Wastewater (General) (Lisa Celeya)

Agenda Item 7: Pure Water Program Update (Doug Owen/Ben Kuhnel)

Agenda Item 8: Metro Wastewater Financial (Adam Jones)

Agenda Item 9: JPA Executive Director (Karyn Keze)

Agenda Item 10: Metro Commission/JPA Board Meeting Recap (Blake Behringer)

Metro Meetings:

Recent Meetings

- **I&I Metro TAC Subcommittee:**
 - **Date:** August 6, 2025
 - **Format:** MS Teams only.

Upcoming Meetings

- **Metro JPA:**
 - **Date:** September 4, 2025
 - **Format:** In person.
- **Metro TAC:**
 - **Date:** September 17, 2025
 - **Format:** Zoom only.
- **I&I Metro TAC Subcommittee:**
 - **Date:** TBD
 - **Format:** MS Teams only.