



Monthly Metro TAC Chair Report October 2025

A summary of action items, presentations, discussions and updates heard at the regularly scheduled Metro Technical Advisory Committee held on October 15, 2025.

Action:

Agenda Item 2: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA/Commission Approval of an Eleventh Amended Joint Powers Agreement Confirming the Creation of an Agency known as SCCWRP.

- City of San Diego (City) staff presented the history of SCCWRP and the wastewater, storm water, and regulating agencies that are members. Its goal is to collaborate to protect the coast and support scientific research. This next phase plans to fund many projects including coastal monitoring and emerging issues such as microplastics. The cost to the PAs for this amendment is \$1,146,600 over five years.
- There were no questions from TAC and it was unanimously recommended.

Agenda Item 3a: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement with Jacobs-CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. for As-Needed Construction Management Services – Conveyance Projects.

- City staff presented the proposed amendment needed to extend the contract to meet current construction conditions, special inspections, commissioning, and claims advisory. The additional cost to the PAs is estimated to be \$640,000 through December 2028.
- TAC clarified the source of the estimated Metro JPA split and the timeline along with some wording in the staff report. It was recommended unanimously.

Agenda Item 3b: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA, Pure Water Program – Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Parsons-Black & Veatch Joint Venture for As-Needed Construction Manager – Treatment Plant and Facilities Projects.

- City staff presented the proposed amendment needed to extend the contract to meet the current construction schedule, specialty support, commissioning, and claims advisory. The additional cost to the PAs is estimated to be \$746,667 through December 2028.

- TAC clarified why covered tanks were needed and how some of the included projects affected the Metro JPA. It was recommended unanimously.

Agenda Item 3c: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro JPA, Pure Water Program – First Amendment to the agreement with PMWeb, Inc. to provide web-based project control system for Pure Water Program Phase 1

- City staff presented the amendment needed to match the schedule of Phase 1 construction. The estimated additional cost to the Metro JPA is \$85,774 through July 2029.
- TAC clarified this software is only for Pure Water and how long the data needs to be retained. It was recommended unanimously.

Update:

Agenda Item 3: Semi-Annual Pure Water Program Update

- Doug Campbell presented the latest Pure Water update including notice that the project is approximately 82% complete and planning to start producing water in mid to late 2026. The City continues to coordinate with regulators and prepare for operation and ramp up. The next steps are to continue with commissioning and completion of the major projects. The City continues to study the best path forward for Pure Water Phase 2.
- TAC asked the latest on the assessment of wastewater flows and water demands. The City is still studying this, but it's all being included in the Phase 2 study. TAC also wanted to know if full secondary at Point Loma is one of the options which the City confirmed. The City confirmed OPRA II has no firm timeline, but the NPDES permit should have an update at the end of the year.

Presentation:

Agenda Item 4: Pure Water Unit Cost Analysis and Update on Phase 2 Planning Approach

- City staff presented the latest analysis of unit costs and planning of Phase 2, including the projected water sales, unit costs for water and wastewater customers, and comparison to other projects and sources.
- TAC asked the City to clarify the wastewater unit cost NPV and the assumptions for Phase 2 costs.
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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)

Metro Meetings:

Upcoming Meetings

- **Metro JPA:**
 - **Date:** November 5, 2025
 - **Format:** In person.

- **Metro TAC:**
 - **Date:** November 19, 2025
 - **Format:** Zoom only.

- **I&I Metro TAC Subcommittee:**
 - **Date:** TBD
 - **Format:** MS Teams only.