

METRO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Metro TAC)

The Metro TAC is made up of management, financial and engineering professionals with a background in Wastewater systems. Originally, a group of city engineers from some of the Participating Agencies (PA's) met informally on a regular basis to share inter-city information about wastewater issues, mainly related to the early 1960's contract with the City of San Diego's Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant. Currently, it's membership is generally the Public Works Directors, General Managers, and/or Operational Managers and Engineers from the PA's as well as San Diego staff overseeing wastewater activities and Metro TAC/JPA technical support consultants: The Keze Group and Wilson Engineering.

The purpose of Metro TAC is to provide professional review of all matters that are associated with operation of City of San Diego's Metropolitan Wastewater System (Metro), as well as any other issues related to wastewater that would affect the PA's and their ratepayers. The type of items that Metro TAC reviews include modifications to the capital facilities comprising the Metro System i.e. Metro Capital Improvement Projects, Metro operational standards and costs, and Metro operational and financial practices. Metro TAC also works on regulatory items such as the implementation of the State's Waste Discharge Requirements. Metro TAC meetings provide opportunities for participants to work together on common issues and needs affecting their agencies. Additionally, Metro TAC works on projects that the Metro Wastewater JPA/Commission assigns to technical staff and consultants.

Metro TAC members and Metro JPA/Commission members work closely on many items. Metro TAC provides staff and consultant recommendations to the Metro JPA/Commission on wastewater issues. MetroTAC members elect their own chairperson, who represents their group at the Metro JPA/Commission meetings. Metro TAC meetings are considered "staff meetings" and are attended just by the primary and/or alternate for each member agency, the JPA technical consultants, and PUD staff as required. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 11 AM Pacific Time via a Zoom Electronic Meeting. Quarterly or Semi- Annual Meetings are sometimes held in person.