

METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

General Meeting Summary

Microsoft Teams Meeting Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Start 10:00 a.m.

Adjourned 11:35 a.m.

1. **MWWPAAC Chair's Report – John McClellan**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Determine Quorum
- Approval of February Meeting Summary (action item)
- Regional Water Quality Committee (RWQC) Update

Chair John McClellan welcomed members to the meeting.

A quorum was in attendance. A motion was made and seconded to approve the January 28 meeting summary as written. The motion carried.

Chair McClellan reported out on the March 4 RWQC meeting. The following briefings were provided:

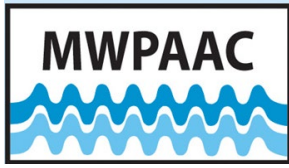
- Regional Wastewater Services Plan Update: Proviso Response and Initial Analysis of Policy Questions Related to Separated System Conveyance
- Wastewater Treatment Division's (WTD) 2027 Sewer Rate and Capacity Charge Recommendations and Options
- Pending Ordinance Related to Proposed Capacity Charge Code Programs
- Discussion of 2026 RWQC Work Program

John reminded members that RWQC meetings are recorded and available on the RWQC website.

Chair McClellan announced the April 22 General meeting date will be moved to April 29 due to a conflict with the Washington Association of Sewer & Water Districts (WASWD) conference that many members are attending. Also, the April 2 subcommittee meetings will be changed to a joint subcommittee meeting.

Chair McClellan reminded MWWPAAC members that they'll be voting today on the draft sewer rate letter to the King County Executive. The Executive Board drafted the letter and shared with other members interested in participating in the drafting process. The participation was broad with both district and city members participating. Chair McClellan advised during the review process that the Executive Board would like to avoid housekeeping types of changes and focus on anything substantive. The Executive Board is hoping all significant issues were addressed during the drafting process. If there is a request, members will be required to provide the written drafted change. Matt Hobson, Rates and Finance Subcommittee Chair, will lead the review process and because the

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draft letter was not provided 7 days in advance the first vote will be to waive that requirement.

2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director's Report – Kamuron Gurol, Division Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD)

Kamuron Gurol, WTD Director, reported on the following items:

Sewer Rate and Forecast

Kamuron acknowledged the MWWPAAC letter that will be going to the Executive on the sewer rate and the work that went into drafting it. He knows the Executive Board worked hard to bring different voices into the process and appreciates everyone who participated. The letter is reflective of the depths and breadth of MWWPAAC. WTD is still in the middle of the process and expects further comments to the Executive from RWQC and some jurisdictions in addition to the letter from MWWPAAC. Later, when the Executive makes a recommendation, MWWPAAC will have an opportunity to weigh again to the King County Council.

Kamuron shared that WTD is scheduled to present to the City of Seattle's Customer Review Panel and Bellevue City Council in April and May. Kamuron noted that if there is interest in member organizations for WTD to present, please connect with WTD Government Relations to coordinate. WTD wants to provide everyone with good information and hear from local jurisdictions as much as possible.

Kamuron noted another way WTD can share information is with tours. Seeing the plants and where the wastewater treatment happens is very valuable to the work member agencies all do. On March 26, RWQC will tour WTD's South Treatment Plant.

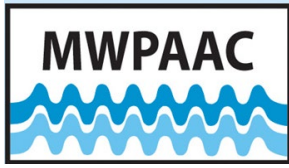
WTD Deputy Director Recruitment

Kamuron announced that WTD Deputy Director Bruce Kessler will be retiring at the end of April. WTD is currently recruiting for his successor. The application deadline is April 2.

Sewer Rate and Capital Workplan

Kamuron offered a few highlights regarding WTD's progress on the sewer rate and capital workplan. These are steps WTD is taking to ensure WTD's practices are sound and as transparent as possible. The report will be sent out to MWWPAAC. Let WTD know if you have questions.

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Kamuron provided a short update on the third-party review. Ben Marre, Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Vice Chair, is participating in the process. The King County Auditor will also provide oversight on the selection process.

Project Update

Kamuron shared a positive report and photos of the North Mercer Enatai project. WTD has a very large project in the area to replace aging pipes and structures in Bellevue and Mercer Island. This project is a good example of making investments in WTD's system.

Kamuron announced the upcoming Contractor Outreach & Networking Event scheduled for April 15. Last year's event was successful with 600 attending. It's a good opportunity for contractors to learn about the work WTD is doing. If members know of any contractors interested in the event, please share it with them.

3. Subcommittee Reports

March 5, 2025, Rates and Finance Subcommittee Report

- Wastewater Treatment Division's Proposed 2027 Sewer Rate and Capacity Charge

March 5, 2026, Engineering and Planning Subcommittee Report

- Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) Plan Update- Strategy Screening Results

4. Discussion and Vote on 2027 Sewer Rate Letter to the King County Executive, John McClellan, MWPAAC Chair (Action Item)

Matt Hobson, Rates and Finance Subcommittee Chair, reported on the process used to draft the MWPAAC rate letter to the King County Executive. He reviewed the main narratives of the letter. Matt also reviewed the process to introduce edits.

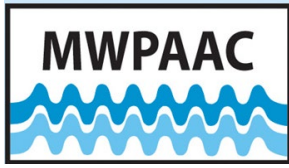
The first order of action is a motion to waive the 7-day requirement in the bylaws for receiving materials that require a vote.

A motion was made and seconded to waive the 7-day requirement. The motion carried by voice vote.

The next order of action is a motion to introduce the letter for discussion.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the MWPAAC Rate Letter to the King County Executive for discussion.

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Matt asked if there were any members who wanted to introduce any amendments.

No amendments were introduced.

Gregg Cato, Rates and Finance Subcommittee Vice Chair, made a motion to approve the rate letter as written. Ben Marre, Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Vice Chair, seconded. Olivia Robinson, WTD Government Relations, took a roll call vote. The motion carried (16-Yes, 0-No).

5. General Announcements

Chair McClellan shared that he'll be serving on the WTD Deputy Director interview panel and expressed his appreciation that MWPAAC's expertise and voice are being included in the recruitment. He noted, it's a great way to collaborate and contribute to WTD's success.

Olivia Robinson, WTD Government Relations, reminded members that the April MWPAAC meeting will be moved to April 29. WTD will send out an updated calendar invite.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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