



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

June 15, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

Submitted By: Chris Diggs, Water Resources Director

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES GATEWAY
REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (GWMA)**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following action:

- 1) Approve the agreement with GWMA for continued cost sharing to maintain the monitoring stations and monitoring pursuant to the Harbor Toxic Pollutants Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL); and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement (Attachment No. 1) on behalf of the City and any subsequent documents and amendments subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City has participated in this monitoring program since 2015. The new agreement will allow for the continuation of monitoring for an additional five years and allow the City to stay in compliance with the Harbor Toxic Pollutant TMDL per the stormwater permit.

SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for this action is budgeted in FY 2026-27 Safe Clean Water Program Fund Budget, account number FD 142, Measure W | CC8130, Environmental/Special Projects | Regulatory Compliance. The cost for GWMA is \$139,953.10 for FY 2026-27, shared with 63 cities and Los Angeles County Flood Control District. The cost share portion for the term of the agreement for Pomona is as follows, and staff will budget accordingly for the following fiscal years based on the table below:

Fiscal Year	GWMA Cost per Fiscal Year	Pomona Share for SGR GR1	Direct Admin Fee %	GWMA Direct Admin Fee	Indirect Admin Fee %	GWMA Indirect Admin Fee	Total Fee
2026-2027	\$139,953.10	\$2,520.96	10	\$252.10	5	\$126.05	\$2,899.10
2027-2028	\$145,552.82	\$2,621.83	10	\$262.18	5	\$131.09	\$3,015.10
2028-2029	\$151,372.92	\$2,726.66	10	\$272.67	5	\$136.33	\$3,135.66
2029-2030	\$157,430.11	\$2,835.77	10	\$283.58	5	\$141.79	\$3,261.14
2030-2031	\$163,724.37	\$2,949.15	10	\$294.91	5	\$147.46	\$3,391.52

PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:

On August 21, 2023, City Council approved the GWMA Agreement for three years. On June 1, 2015, City Council approved the GWMA agreement to participate in the Joint Dominguez Channel/Harbor Toxic TMDL Monitoring Program.

DISCUSSION:

The City is mandated to meet numerous requirements under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4 Permit). Collaborating with the neighboring cities and Los Angeles County allows the City to stay in compliance while sharing the cost of the monitoring and equipment.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency established the TMDL for Toxic Pollutants in March of 2012 to protect and improve the water quality in the Dominguez Channel and the Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters. Since the City conveys stormwater to the San Gabriel River, it is part of the TMDL. The City began sharing these costs in 2015, and the current 2023 agreement is set to expire on June 30, 2026. With council approval, this action allows the City to stay in compliance with the Harbor Toxic TMDL for fiscal years 2026-2027 through 2030-2031.

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ATTACHMENT: Attachment No. 1 – Agreement with GWMA