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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **TRAFFIC ALERT: Closure of intersection at Lexington Road and Baxter Avenue delayed to June 4**

LOUISVILLE, KY — Sewer line work that was scheduled to begin in the intersection of Lexington Road and Baxter Avenue on May 29, will now begin on June 4, 2018.

The contractor is still working on the installation of a sewer line under Lexington Road between Hamilton and Baxter avenues. This work is taking longer than anticipated.

While MSD is working in the area, all area businesses are open with access to parking. Local detours are marked. Commuter traffic, between the Highlands and downtown, detours to Broadway and East Chestnut Street.

### **MORE ON THE PROJECT:**

Work in this area allows capture of nine sewer overflow points that currently discharge to Beargrass Creek. The work is part of MSD's Waterway Protection Tunnel project.

Once complete, the [Waterway Protection Tunnel](#) will serve as an innovative way to store Louisville's excess sewer and rain water underground until it can be pumped to a treatment facility. The tunnel eliminates 22 combined sewer overflow points that put more than 351 million gallons of the combined sewer and rain water into the South Fork of Beargrass Creek and the Ohio River. By the end of 2020, MSD will capture and treat 98 percent of the combined sewer overflow volume in a typical year of rain.

### **WHEN:**

The intersection will close after 10 AM on June 4, 2018. It will reopen no later than August 7, 2018.

### **WHERE:**

Currently, one block of Lexington Road — between Baxter and Hamilton avenues — is closed to through traffic for installation of a new sewer line.

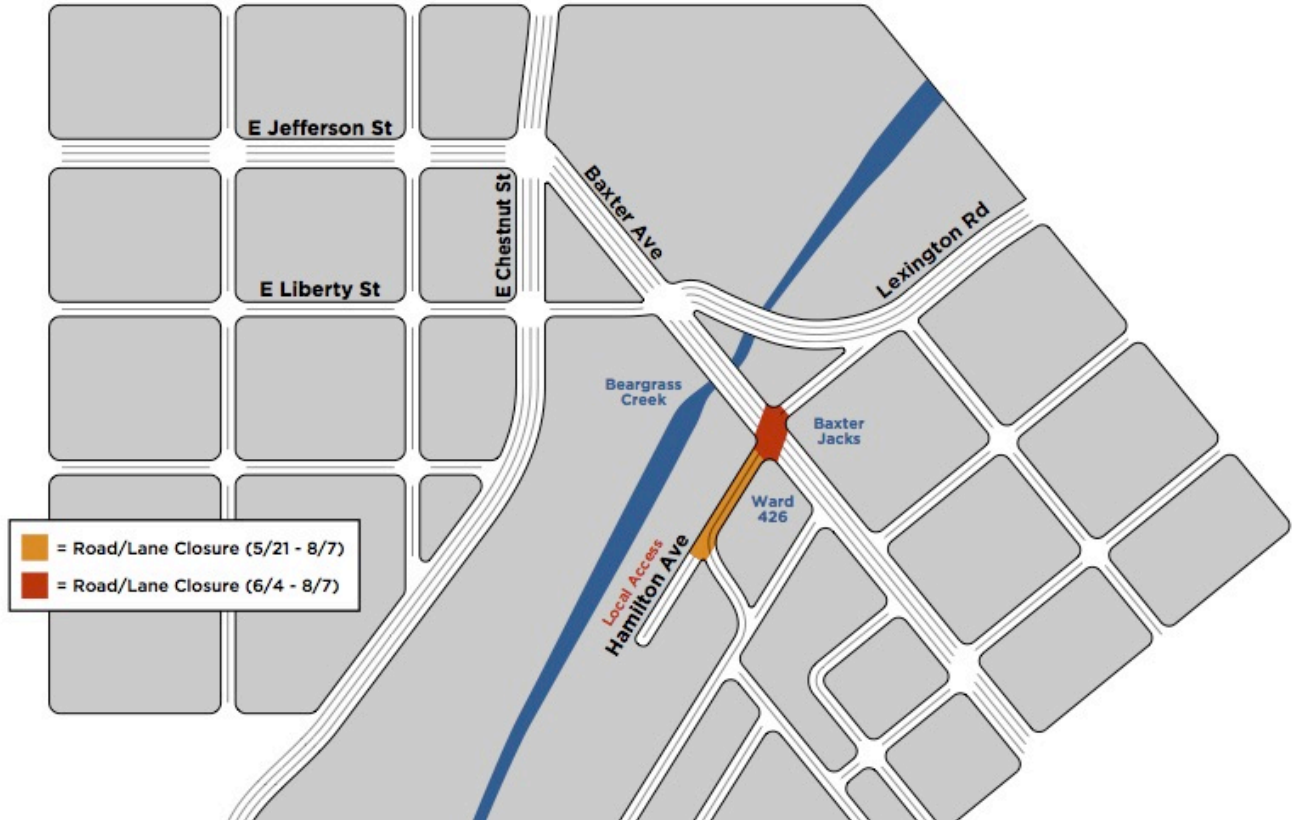
The intersection of Lexington Road and Baxter Avenue will close after 10 AM on June 4 to allow connections from existing sewer lines to that new sewer line.

# CLOSURE AT LEXINGTON/BAXTER

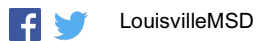


May 21, 2018 - August 7, 2018

June 4, 2018 - August 7, 2018



**LEARN MORE:** The public can keep up to date on the project at [LouisvilleMSD.org/tunnel](https://LouisvilleMSD.org/tunnel) or Twitter with [#MSDtunnel](https://twitter.com/MSDtunnel). Sign up to receive regular updates on the project at [LouisvilleMSD.org/tunnel/newsletter](https://LouisvilleMSD.org/tunnel/newsletter)



## About MSD

The Louisville/Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) works to achieve and maintain clean, environmentally safe waterways for a healthy and vibrant community. The organization's more than 630 employees provide wastewater management, drainage and flood protection services across the 376 square miles of Louisville Metro. In addition to operating and maintaining Louisville Metro's sewer system, floodwall system, water quality treatment centers and flood pumping stations, MSD invests in hundreds of infrastructure improvement projects each year, plants more than 1,000 trees and other vegetation annually to enhance water filtration and reduce runoff, and provides numerous outreach programs to inform and educate the community about protecting our waterways.