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Portion of 15th Street closed for emergency sewer line repair *Between Broadway and Magazine Street*

LOUISVILLE, KY – During an inspection of a cave-in, MSD crews discovered that the sewer pipe under 15th Street between Broadway and Magazine Street is partially blocked with debris and deteriorated in several areas. This egg-shaped—36-inch by 54-inch—brick sewer was built by hand in 1880 and has served our community for 142 years.

This section of 15th Street is closed for emergency repair work. Detour signs are in place. There will be **no disruption of sewer service** during the repair. There is no estimate of how long the repair will take at this time.

Background

MSD maintains more than 3,300 miles of sewer lines – enough to stretch from California to Maine, and many dating back 75 years or more.

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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 670 employees provide wastewater management, drainage and flood protection services across the 376 square miles of Louisville Metro, and wastewater service in portions of Bullitt and Oldham counties. 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.