MSD proactively closes additional section of 15th Street for emergency sewer line repair

between Maple and W Breckinridge streets

LOUISVILLE, KY – MSD crews have completed a proactive inspection of the entire sewer line running under 15th Street between W Chestnut Street to W Breckinridge Street. The inspection revealed another deteriorated area in the brick sewer pipe. Therefore, the roadway is now closing between Maple and W Breckinridge streets. The agency previously closed the section of 15th Street between Broadway and Magazine Street due to a street cave-in. Detour signs will direct motorists in the area. There is no closure of the sidewalks.

Plans are underway for the emergency repair of this egg-shaped—36-inch by 54-inch—brick sewer built by hand in 1880 and has served our community for 142 years.

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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