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MSD Notice of Construction *North Fairmount Urban Water Grant Project*

The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) will be installing two bioswales in North Fairmount, in the area south of Denham Street between Linden and Beekman streets. Work is anticipated to begin in late January and be complete by Summer 2015.

Construction activities will typically occur Monday through Friday during daylight hours, depending on weather and the contractor's schedule. MSD's construction contractor for this project is Sunesis Construction.

MSD will be coordinating a volunteer planting day to landscape the bioswales after construction is complete. MSD will also develop two walking paths and educational signage for the area.

This project was financed in part through a grant from the Ohio EPA under the provisions of the Surface Water Improvement Fund.

The bioswales will help keep stormwater out of MSD's combined sewer system by collecting stormwater from catch basins on Denham Street and overland flow. They will contain native plants and special layers of soil and gravel to absorb, clean and store the stormwater during rains.

MSD is also working on another bioswale project in the same area (known as the North Fairmount Bioswale Project, ID# 11042801). This project is currently under design and is anticipated to be constructed in 2017.

Both projects are part of a long-term solution to manage stormwater in the North Fairmount area (Denham Watershed) and to reduce combined sewer overflows (CSOs) into the Mill Creek.

The North Fairmount Urban Water Grant project is part of Project Groundwork, MSD's multi-year plan to reduce sewer overflows into streams and rivers in Hamilton County. Project Groundwork provides cleaner streams, improved protection of public health and enhancements to the communities where we live, work and play.

For additional information about the project, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov.

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