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MSD Notice of Project Completion

North Fairmount Urban Water Grant Project

The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) has completed a stormwater management project in North Fairmount, in the area south of Denham Street between Linden and Beekman streets. The project features includes a rain garden and other vegetation including trees.

The rain garden will help keep stormwater out of MSD's combined sewer system by collecting rainwater (stormwater) from catch basins on Denham Street and overland flow. Rain gardens contain native plants, special soils and layers of gravel to absorb, clean and store the stormwater during rains.

During a typical year, the rain garden will collect about 250,000 gallons of stormwater. Any stormwater not absorbed by the rain garden will be released into MSD combined sewer system, but at a much slower rate.

Keeping stormwater out of MSD's combined sewer system help reduce combined sewer overflows (CSOs) into the Mill Creek.

Two educational signs will be installed at the site in late summer/early fall.

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

The rain garden project is part of Project Groundwork, MSD's multi-year plan to reduce sewer overflows into streams and rivers in Hamilton County.

For additional information about the project, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov. You can also view a fact sheet on the project at www.projectgroundwork.org.

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