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# MSD closes section of E Breckinridge Street for emergency sewer line repair —Between Edward Street and Rubel Avenue—

LOUISVILLE, KY – MSD has closed a section of E Breckinridge Street—between Edward Street and Rubel Avenue to local access only—for an emergency repair of a sewer line running beneath the pavement.

Investigation of a depression and hole in the pavement revealed a large cavity below the pavement. An inspection of the sewer line by MSD crews revealed additional deteriorated areas in the brick sewer pipe, leading to closing sections of the roadway. Detour signs are in place directing motorists in the area. The sidewalks remain open.

Repairs of this 1897 hand-built brick sewer are underway.

There is **no disruption of sewer service** during the repair. There is no estimate of how long the repair will take at this time.

### 15<sup>TH</sup> Street Update

Crews continue with another emergency repair to a brick sewer line underneath 15th Street built in 1880. The repairs on the section of pipe south of Broadway—between Maple and W Breckinridge streets—are well underway with an epoxy lining of the pipe. Weather permitting, the repair on this section could be complete next week. At that time, crews would continue repairing the 15th Street sewer line north of Broadway through W Chestnut Street.

### Background

MSD maintains more than 3,300 miles of sewer lines, which includes 42.9 miles of brick sewer. If you could lay these pipes end to end, they would stretch across the country from California to Maine.



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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.