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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **MSD closes portion of East Liberty Street and Baxter Avenue due to cave-in**

LOUISVILLE, KY – MSD received a call from Metro Safe concerning a hole in the center intersection of East Liberty Street and Baxter Avenue late this afternoon. MSD inspectors were immediately dispatched and discovered a hole in the pavement that was 5-feet by 8-feet and appeared to be growing. Initial inspections indicate that the void under the pavement is approximately 15-feet by 30-feet, and 10- to 12-feet deep.

LG&E has been notified concerning two exposed natural gas lines. The protection of these gas lines must occur before repairs can begin. MSD crews are reducing East Liberty Street to one lane, and the intersection with Baxter Avenue is partially closed.

This site is very close to a cave-in that happened in June that was the result of a break in a 30-inch brick sewer line, installed in 1871.

There is no estimate on the repair timeline. There is no interruption to sewer service in the area.



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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 630 employees provide wastewater management, drainage and flood protection services across the 376 square miles of Louisville Metro. 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.