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Contractor causes break to main sewer line Repair underway, environmental cleanup to follow

Earlier today, a contractor working on new construction in the area of U.S. Highway 42 and Seminary Drive hit and broke an MSD underground 18-inch wastewater force main. Approximately 50,000 gallons of wastewater discharged to the construction site. The break impacted two MSD wastewater pump stations that discharged an additional 60,000 gallons to Goose Creek.

Currently, wastewater hauling trucks are taking the flow to MSD Water Quality Treatment Centers for proper treatment. The contractor has begun repairs to the pipe. When repairs are complete, MSD will assess the situation and perform appropriate cleanup and the disinfection.

MSD is required to report all sewer discharges to the Kentucky Division of Water and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



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. 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.