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## TRAFFIC ALERT: Lick Run Greenway

*Lane restrictions on Queen City Avenue July 16 through early 2019*

CINCINNATI – Construction of the nationally recognized Lick Run Greenway project in South Fairmount began in early July 2017 and will continue through fall 2019. The \$90 million Greenway includes a mile-long bioengineered creek in a park-like setting through the valley corridor.

This project will impact traffic in South Fairmount throughout the course of construction, including full road closures and lane restrictions. All work is weather and schedule dependent. The latest traffic pattern change is outlined below:

### **Traffic Pattern Change – Lane Restrictions on Queen City Avenue**

Beginning the week of July 16, Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) will construct a new 8-inch-diameter water main to replace an old main on Queen City Avenue from Harrison Avenue to White Street. Traffic will be down to one lane in the vicinity of the construction. This work should be complete in the fall. GCWW will provide a minimum of 24 hours advance notice prior to all planned water main service interruptions.

GCWW will then construct a new 24-inch-diameter water main to replace an old main on Queen City Avenue from the GCWW pump station in the 1600 block to White Street. Traffic will be down to one lane in the vicinity of the construction. This work should be complete by early 2019. There are no planned water main service interruptions associated with this work.

The lane restrictions will occur between 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturdays. All lanes will re-open at the end of each work day.

In addition, GCWW continues to construct a 30-inch-diameter water main to replace an old main on Queen City Avenue from the GCWW pump station east to the Mill Creek. The work, which began in May, should be complete by this fall. Crews will be working in the intersection with State

Street for approximately the next two weeks. There are no planned water main service interruptions associated with this work. Lane restrictions are 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Drivers are encouraged to use caution when approaching the traffic pattern changes and are encouraged to use alternate routes around the area if possible.

## **Plan for Delays, Drive with Caution, or Find an Alternate Route**

Project construction and utility relocations have resulted in numerous concurrent lane restrictions and road closures in the South Fairmount area that are impacting Queen City Avenue, Westwood Avenue, and all cross streets (see list below).

If you are driving in the area, please plan for delays, drive with caution, or find an alternate route.

### **Current Traffic Pattern Changes**

The following traffic pattern changes are currently in place:

- Closure of southbound State Avenue between the ramp from Harrison Avenue and Queen City Avenue.
- Closure of northbound Harrison Avenue between Westwood and Queen City avenues.
- Closure of Grand Avenue between Westwood and Queen City avenues.
- Closure of Kebler Street between Westwood and Queen City avenues.
- Closure of Van Hart Street between Westwood and Queen City avenues.
- A new cross street – the Van Hart Bypass - is open between Westwood and Queen City avenues.
- Various temporary lane restrictions in the project area for the relocation of utilities and/or construction of new sewer segments.

For additional information and archived press releases, please visit the Lick Run website at [www.projectgroundwork.org/lickrun](http://www.projectgroundwork.org/lickrun).

To sign up for Lick Run Project email updates or to discuss customer issues, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or [MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov).

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