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TRAFFIC ALERT: Lick Run Greenway *Partial Opening of New Harrison Avenue in South Fairmount*

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.* A breakdown of the latest traffic pattern changes is below:

Traffic Pattern Change – Partial Opening of New Harrison Avenue

The new Harrison Avenue – between Queen City and Westwood avenues in South Fairmount - will partially open to traffic on Tuesday, July 31, weather permitting.

The newly constructed roadway and bridge will be open to two southbound lanes of traffic and one northbound lane of traffic from the lower deck of the Western Hills Viaduct.

Due to a limited turning radius for left turns from Queen City Avenue onto the new Harrison Avenue, large trucks will be detoured to Quebec Road until later this year.

Crews will continue to work on the western side of the new roadway and will also demolish the old Harrison Avenue roadway.

Additional lanes should open in the fall.

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 most cross streets (see list below).

If you are driving in the area, please plan for delays and drive with caution. Better yet, 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 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.

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.

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