

PRESS RELEASE

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TRAFFIC ALERT: Lick Run Greenway *Major Roadway Changes Coming Saturday, April 6, 2019*

CINCINNATI – Major permanent roadway changes are coming to South Fairmount as part of the Lick Run Greenway project. The following will take effect on Saturday, April 6, 2019, pending weather and field conditions:

- **Closure of Beekman Street connector:** The Beekman Street / Queen City Avenue exit from the upper and lower decks of the Western Hills Viaduct will close, and the Beekman Street connector will be demolished to make room for a 2-acre pond. All westbound vehicles on the Viaduct will exit onto northbound Harrison Avenue.
- **Two-way traffic on Queen City Avenue:** The short stretch of Queen City Avenue between Harrison Avenue and Beekman Street will permanently become a two-way street. Motorists trying to get to northbound Beekman Street from the Western Hills Viaduct will exit onto northbound Harrison Avenue, then take a right turn (east) onto the newly two-way portion of Queen City Avenue, then a left turn (north) onto Beekman Street.

Here is some other important information to note, all pending weather and field conditions:

Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 7 a.m. until early afternoon (during the traffic swap):

- Traffic on southbound Harrison Avenue north of Queen City Avenue will be detoured to westbound Queen City Avenue via Tremont Street / Beekman Street.
- There will be temporary lane closures on northbound and southbound Harrison Avenue between the Western Hills Viaduct and Queen City Avenue, and on Queen City Avenue between Harrison Avenue and Beekman Street.

Temporary Configuration of Traffic – April 6, 2019 through Mid-Summer 2019

- There will be temporary lane closures on Harrison and Queen City avenues in this area.
- Southbound State Street will remain closed for construction in this area. Until it re-opens, motorists trying to get to southbound State Street from the Western Hills Viaduct will exit onto northbound Harrison Avenue, take a left turn (west) onto Queen City Avenue, then a left turn (south) onto Grand Avenue, then a left turn (east) onto Westwood Avenue, then take the State Street exit.

Please see the temporary configuration maps for more information.

Final Configuration of Traffic – Mid-Summer 2019

- All lanes from the Western Hills Viaduct will exit onto northbound Harrison.
- Once the final configuration is in place, Harrison Avenue between the Western Hills Viaduct and Queen City Avenue will have four northbound lanes and two southbound lanes.
- Queen City Avenue between Harrison Avenue and Beekman Street will have one lane in each direction with a two-way turn lane in the middle.

Please see the temporary and final configuration maps for more information.

Lick Run Greenway Project Information:

Construction of the nationally recognized Lick Run Greenway project in South Fairmount began in July 2017 and will continue into spring 2020, pending weather and field conditions. The \$90 million Greenway includes a mile-long bioengineered creek in a park-like setting through the valley corridor.

The following project-related traffic changes are currently in place. If you are driving in the area, please plan for delays, drive with caution, or find an alternate route.

- Closure of southbound State Avenue between the ramp from Harrison Avenue and Queen City Avenue. The northbound lane is open.
- Partial opening of new Harrison Avenue between Westwood and Queen City avenues. Two southbound lanes and one northbound lane (from the lower deck of the Western Hills Viaduct) are currently open.
- Closure of Quebec Road between Westwood and Queen City avenues.

- Continuous left turn onto Westwood Avenue from White Street. No left turns from Westwood onto White Street.
- Various temporary lane restrictions along Queen City Avenue, Westwood Avenue, and adjacent streets for the relocation of utilities and/or construction of new sewer segments.

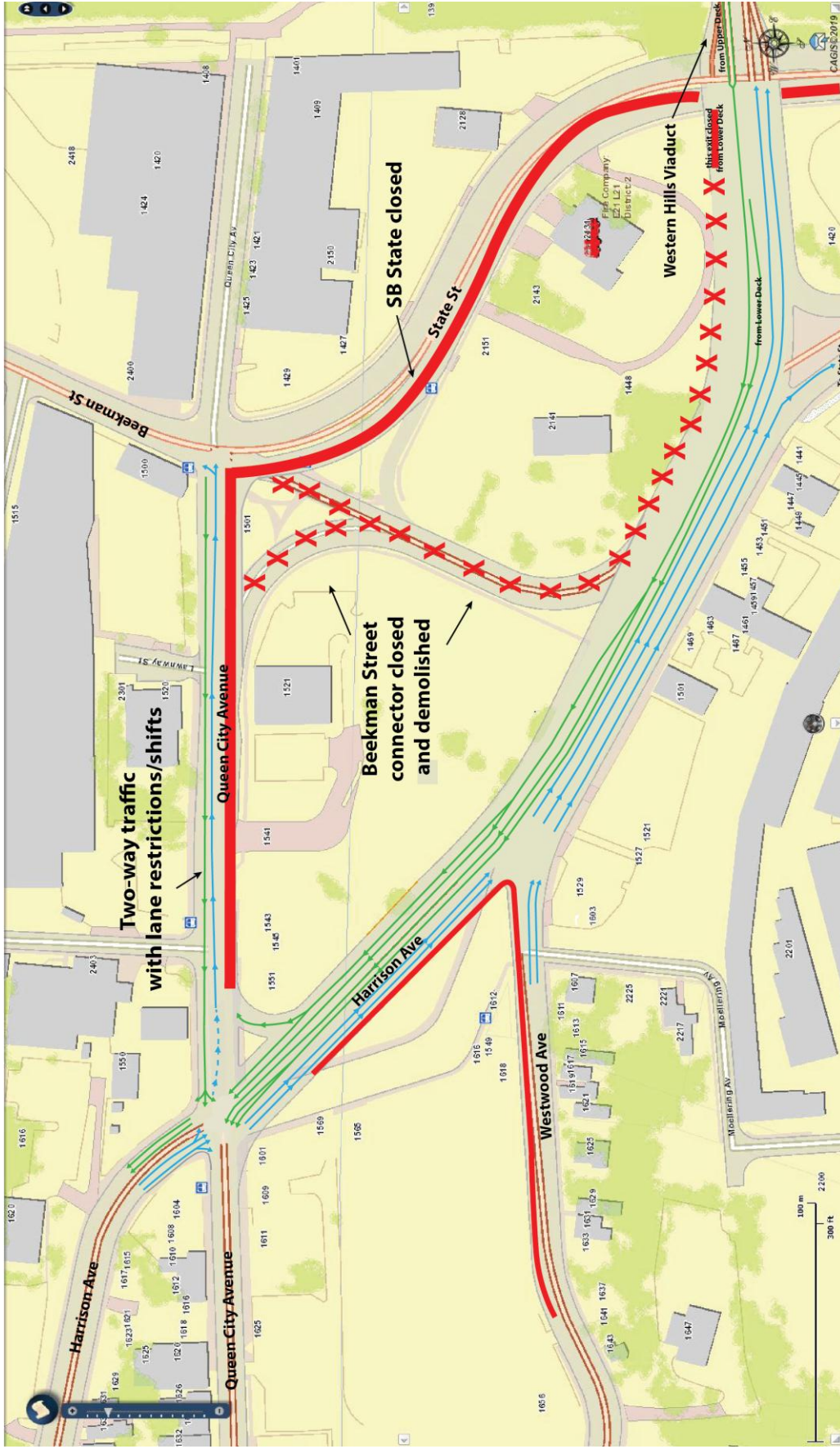
For additional information and archived press releases, please visit the Lick Run website at www.projectgroundwork.org/lickrun.

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Temporary Configuration: Spring-Mid-Summer 2019



Final Configuration: Mid-Summer 2019

