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\$4 Million FEMA Grant Awarded to MSD

Funding will be used to acquire flood-prone properties along Muddy Creek Road

CINCINNATI – The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) has been awarded a \$4 million hazard mitigation grant from FEMA and the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (OEMA) to address flooding along Muddy Creek Road in the City of Cincinnati and Green Township.

The \$4 million in grant funding, along with an additional \$570,000 from MSD in local cost share, will be used to purchase and demolish up to 35 flood-prone properties along Muddy Creek Road between Glenway Avenue and Westbourne Drive. The homes in this area have been prone to overland flooding and sewer backups for years. They were constructed in the 1950s in and along a former creek bed of Muddy Creek which was enclosed in a sewer. The area is recognized by FEMA as an equivalent 100-year floodplain of Muddy Creek.

Property owners have voluntarily elected to participate in this program. After the grant agreement is executed in early spring, MSD will begin working with property owners to acquire their properties and relocate them to safe and comparable housing.

Once the homes are demolished, MSD will work to restore the area as a natural floodplain or stormwater management area.

The project is estimated to take about two years to complete.

MSD is also working with OEMA on a second grant request for up to 5 properties along Muddy Creek Road.

For more information and updates, please visit the project website at www.msdbg.org/MuddyCreekFEMA. For questions about the project, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov.

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100-Year Floodplain Along Muddy Creek Road

