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MSD Installing Real-Time Control Facility in St. Bernard

CINCINNATI – The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) will construct a real-time control (RTC) facility in St. Bernard to reduce sewer overflows into the Mill Creek. This federally mandated project, part of MSD’s Mill Creek solution, begins this month and should be completed by December 2018, weather permitting.

“The facility will temporarily store excess flows of sewage and rainwater during storms, and then send the flows to the Mill Creek treatment plant when capacity in the sewer system is available,” said Reese Johnson, a Principal Engineer at MSD. “This facility joins four similar RTC facilities along the Mill Creek and its tributaries and is a component of our ‘smart sewer’ system, which uses existing sewer infrastructure to reduce overflows into creeks and rivers.”

The project is located at the CSO 181 outfall into the Bloody Run Channel just northwest of the intersection of Murray Road and Prosser Avenue. The channel conveys flows to the Mill Creek. The work involves replacing the existing outfall structure with a small, underground facility that houses specialized gates and is automatically controlled by a series of sensors. See the attached project map.

MSD’s contractor for the project is Dugan & Meyers LLC. Construction activity will primarily occur during daylight hours Monday through Friday. Weekend work may be necessary at times.

Typical construction-related disturbances such as noise, dirt and vibrations should be expected throughout the construction period. MSD will work to minimize disturbances to the community as much as possible. The area will be restored at the end of the project.

For additional information, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or MSD_Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov or visit the project website at www.projectgroundwork.org/bloodyrun. Click here for info on our smart sewer system.

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Project Map