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MSD Hosting Community Town Hall Meetings

Seeking Citizen Input on Solutions to Reduce Sewer Overflows

| WHAT | The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) is hosting two Town Hall Meetings for citizen input on the Lower Mill Creek Partial Remedy, | |
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| | a proposed solution to eliminate up to 2 billion gallons of combined sewer | |
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| | overflows (CSO) into the Mill Creek by 2018 (during Phase I of MSD's Consent | |
| | Decree). | |
| WHO | Tony Parrott, Executive Director, MSD | |
| | MaryLynn Lodor, Environmental Programs Manager, MSD | |
| WHEN | Thursday, August 16 | Thursday, August 23 |
| & WHERE | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. |
| | MSD Administration Building | MSD Wastewater Collection Division |
| | 1081 Woodrow St. (Lower Price Hill) | 225 W. Galbraith Rd. (Hartwell) |
| | Cincinnati, OH 45204 | Cincinnati, OH 45215 |
| WHY | Federal and state regulators, including the U.S. EPA, have mandated that MSD capture, treat or remove at least 85% of the 14 billion gallons of annual overflows from combined sewers and eliminate all overflows – about 100 million gallons annually – from sanitary sewers. Proposed solutions for the Lower Mill Creek Partial Remedy include: 1. Grey approach – includes underground storage tunnel and enhanced high-rate treatment facility to capture and treat overflows 2. Sustainable approach – seeks to control overflows by reducing the amount of stormwater entering combined sewers by building new sewers, installing detention or retention basins and restoring existing or defunct streams. Solutions are detailed and compared in the Lower Mill Creek Partial Remedy "Alternatives Evaluation Preliminary Findings Report." To view the report and | |
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| | give feedback, <u>click here.</u> | |
| PHOTO, VIDEO | Presentation on proposed solutions. | |
| OPPORUNITIES | Question and Answer session. | |
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