Long-term closure of 39th Avenue begins May 5

Weather permitting, 39th Avenue will be temporarily closed from E Minnehaha Parkway to approximately 200 feet south of the intersection starting at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5 (see map below) and will remain closed until July 2021, unless the project is completed earlier.

This closure is in cooperation with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and the City of Minneapolis after observing recent traffic, bicyclist and pedestrian activity. The road will remain closed to improve safety for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians traveling along E Minnehaha Parkway while the temporary conveyance pipes remain in place.
Residential and pedestrian access off 39th Avenue
Residents will receive notification in advance with information on access during the road closure. Pedestrian access will remain open along 39th Avenue.

24-hour pumping begins May 4
Testing of the temporary aboveground wastewater conveyance piping on the north side of E Minnehaha Pkwy between 38th Avenue N and 44th Avenue S is complete. Crews will begin diverting wastewater through this portion of the temporary conveyance system on Monday, May 4. Primary electric pumps will run 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until the system is taken down late next summer. Backup diesel pumps will be activated in the event of loss of power.

Crews continue the installation of temporary above ground wastewater conveyance piping south of E Minnehaha Parkway to 52nd Street.

What are the temporary wastewater conveyance pipes for?
The temporary wastewater conveyance pipes will ensure that there are no disruptions to sanitary sewer service while crews reconstruct and rehabilitate existing sewer pipes and structures underneath E Minnehaha Parkway and in the right-of-way along the west side of Highway 55 between E 52nd Street and E Minnehaha Parkway.

Safety reminder
Trail users, for your safety, please remember to follow any posted detour signs and do not cross the fenced off areas.

Construction activities and schedules are subject to change due to weather and other unforeseen circumstances.

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