St. Croix Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant Restoration Project

Construction Update – February 2022

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) is restoring equipment and facilities at its St. Croix Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant in Oak Park Heights that were damaged by a fire in 2018. Temporary repairs were made shortly after the fire to keep the treatment plant fully operating. This work is providing permanent restoration.

During the month of February, we will test the performance of all three new blowers that have been installed in our odorous air treatment system. We also are reviewing a plan to add air flow measurement to the system. Final completion of the project may be delayed until early summer 2022. Some final smaller installations and painting work will continue through project completion.

We have completed about 90 percent of the work and anticipate full completion about the end of June 2022. Most of the remaining work is occurring inside the treatment plant’s Odor Control Building and includes:

- Recolating the painted surfaces
- Installing measurement devices in the control system
- Final testing of new odor systems functionality

The wastewater treatment plant has remained in full operation during the construction.

The St. Croix Valley Plant treats wastewater for the cities of Oak Park Heights, Stillwater, and Bayport. The plant treats approximately 3 million gallons of wastewater daily and discharges the resulting clean water to the St. Croix River. The plant is located northeast of the intersection of Highway 36 and Highway 95, just south of the Sunnyside Condominiums.

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