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Portland Area Widening & Safety Improvements
MM 43.0 to 46.4
Project Update
August 27, 2021



Contractor: Shaw Brothers Construction, Inc.
Percent Complete last approved pay estimate: 63.5%

Bid Amount: \$ \$28,189,638.60

Project Schedule: Completion date August 12, 2022

Project Scope: The work consists of constructing a third travel lane northbound, a third lane southbound, and reconstructing the grassed median to a paved median on the Maine Turnpike in the Towns of Scarborough, South Portland, and Portland, Maine. Additional roadway work consists of improving the northbound off ramp at Exit 44. The existing configuration will be widened by one lane to accommodate a two-lane parallel exit ramp diverging from three mainline travel lanes. The work includes embankment construction, roadway gravels and pavement construction, culvert and closed drainage installation, culvert slip lining and extensions, concrete median barrier construction, concrete median pier protection, bridge abutment slope protection, utility vault extension, overhead sign structure installation, roadway signing and striping, highway lighting, guardrail, and maintenance of traffic.

Contractor Schedule: Shaw Brothers completed paving between the southbound exit 46 on and off-ramps. They are now working between the northbound on and off-ramps at exit 46 milling and paving for the next several weeks. During the second week of September, they are planning to begin full depth construction of the mainline in front of the Crosby Maintenance yard at mile 45. Traffic will be shifted onto the new widened roadway. The full depth reconstruction will consist of removing the pavement, gravels and any high rock ledge. In the photo above, Shaw Brothers is installing an underdrain soil filters at Long Creek, this is one of 6 underdrain soil filters on the project, which help treat stormwater runoff.