

**2021.08  
Project Update  
Portland Area Widening  
MM 46.4 to MM 49.3  
October 7, 2022**



Completed repairs to underdrain soil filters located northbound in South Portland

**Contractor:** Shaw Brothers Construction, Inc.

**Bid Amount:** \$ 24,378,093.45

**Percent Complete last approved pay estimate:** 34.8%

**Project Schedule:** Completion date October 27, 2023

**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 South Portland and Portland, Maine, and an overhead sign structure disassembly and removal in Scarborough, Maine. The work includes embankment construction, roadway gravels and pavement construction, culvert and closed drainage installation, concrete median barrier construction, concrete median pier protection, bridge abutment slope protection, overhead sign structure removal, overhead sign structure installation, roadway signing and striping, highway lighting, guardrail, and maintenance of traffic.

**Contractor Schedule:** Shaw Brothers has completed six of the scheduled ten ramp closures associated with the project. The plan is to complete the four ramps at Exit 48 in the spring of 2023. The contractor is currently working to complete base paving up to Exit 48 this season and will continue to install median barrier as long as weather conditions allow. Recently Shaw Brothers made repairs to the underdrain soil filters that they installed as part of the first widening contract. These repairs were necessary as there was unanticipated high ground water in the area.