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Portland Area Widening & Safety Improvements
MM 43.0 to 46.4
Project Update
July 16, 2021



Contractor: Shaw Brothers Construction, Inc.

Bid Amount: \$ 28,189,638.60

Percent Complete last approved pay estimate: 63.5%

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 work in the median between Exit 42 and Exit 44 and have moved further north between Exit 44 and Exit 45 to work in the median. This work consists of removing the guardrail, box cutting the soil and backfilling with gravels, and installing drainage and median barrier. They will soon begin phase 1B southbound between Exit 46 and the MTA's maintenance facility at Crosby Farm. This requires shifting traffic to the left allow the existing 8-foot shoulder to be reconstructed. This phase has a 45-day time allowance.