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Saco Interchange Improvements
Project Update
January 13, 2023



Looking north at the old northbound plaza location that will be repurposed with the new interchange.

Contractor: Sargent Corporation **Bid Amount:** \$41,922,810.00

Percent Complete last approved pay estimate: 0.0%

Project Schedule: Completion date November 21, 2025

Project Scope: The work consists of highway, interchange, and toll system construction at Exit 35 in Saco and modifications to the Exit 36 Interchange in Saco. The work includes a new interchange at Mile 35, including southbound and northbound ramps, a new southbound toll plaza on the west side of the Maine Turnpike with a signalized intersection at Route 112, a new northbound toll plaza on the east side of the Maine Turnpike with a signalized intersection at Route 112, widening of the southbound Maine Turnpike to construct a separated collector-distributor road, widening of Route 112, and construction of access roads. The work includes earthwork, pavement, concrete, signing, overhead sign structures, concrete barrier, guardrail, drainage, stormwater management, electrical work, highway lighting, lightning suppression systems, and maintenance of traffic. The toll plaza work includes installation of tolling equipment, administration buildings, canopies, and toll booths.

Contractor Schedule: Sargent Corporation is currently working on a construction schedule to provide to the MTA for review. The do plan to mobilize to the site in mid-February and start construction and tree clearing in March. Preliminary discussions show them working south of Route 112 at this point. The contractor does appear confident that they can complete the work by the November, 2025 contract end date.