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Looking west from the Route 112 bridge, crews have cut trees for the new southbound plaza.

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 MM 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's clearing contractor is on site cutting trees in advance of their earth work crews. Sargent plans to start at the southbound entering plaza to place the pre-load (piling up the material in advance and letting it sit for a period of time so most of the settlement has occurred before pavement and other structures are built on it) required due to the soil conditions. They

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will close the northbound hotel ramps and start earth work in that location as well. There will be work in this location the majority of the 2023 construction season.