## 2021.07 Project Update Exit 45 Interchange Reconfiguration October 7, 2022



Looking south at the Exit 45 northbound exiting ramp, a paint truck stripes the newly constructed ramp.

**Contractor:** CPM Constructors **Bid Amount:** \$ 27,673,714.90

Percent Complete last approved pay estimate: 77.1%

Project Schedule: Completion date September 1, 2023

**Project Scope:** The work consists of highway, bridge and toll system construction at Exit 45 South Portland Interchange. The work includes a new bridge, new southbound and northbound ramps, a new southbound toll plaza on the west side of the Maine Turnpike with a signalized intersection and a new northbound toll plaza on the east of the Maine Turnpike, Route 703 reconstruction, demolition of the existing toll plaza and bridge.

Contractor Schedule: CPM crews and their sub-contractors have successfully swapped traffic over to the new Exit 45 toll plazas and interchange bridge and ramps. This was a major milestone for the contractor and the Authority as this was the last plaza to be upgraded. Another weekend shutdown is anticipated starting on Friday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of October, to allow for the removal of the old toll canopy, booths, and tunnel. Now that traffic has been switched over to the new configurations, crews are removing the old ramps, bridge, and tolling equipment. The contractor anticipates completing this work in the summer of 2023.