

**April 20, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
**CONTRACT 2 - CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

Site clearing of trees between the Van Buren Road and Route 89 is complete, with the exception of trucking wood from the former Dragon Products property. Clearing south of Route 89 is tentatively scheduled to start again at the end of August.

Excavation for the Route 89 bridge abutment footing began on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Two lane traffic has been adjusted to sweep away from the construction activities; a concrete barrier has been placed on the road shoulder. **The speed limit in the construction zone has been reduced to 35 mph, starting at the Otter Brook Bridge.** Sunrise Materials will begin placing forms for the Route 89 bridge next week, tentatively on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Traffic should not be interrupted.

Maine Public Service is tentatively planning on placing utility poles at the Van Buren Road intersection (proposed bridge area) next week. A definite date has not been set.

**April 28, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
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Work continues on the footings and abutments for the Route 89 Overpass Bridge. Concrete placement for the footing for Abutment #2 (north) is scheduled for 5/2. Excavation for Abutment #1 (south) will also begin around the same time and should be complete for form crews by the end of the day on 5/2. Two lane traffic continues but has been adjusted to sweep away from the construction activities and a concrete barrier at the shoulder of the westbound lane has been placed to keep traffic safe. One-way traffic only will be allowed for a short period to allow the access ramp to be built on Abutment #1 of the Route 89 Overpass Bridge. Speed limits throughout the Route 89 construction area are set for 35 mph.

Abutment construction for the Route 1 Overpass Bridge is still a couple of weeks away, but stationary signs alerting the traveling public to future construction activity will be installed on Route 1 this week. Speed limits in this area will be posted at 40 mph.

Placement of utility poles by Maine Public Service around the construction zone continues. Ledge was encountered so some additional drilling will be required to continue with pole placements.

Crews will continue to install erosion control devices over the next couple of weeks.

**May 2, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
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**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sargent Corporation began excavating for the second Route 89 Bridge Abutment footing on Thursday, 4/28/2011. Two lane traffic has been maintained between the 2 construction areas and concrete barriers at each shoulder of the road have

been placed to keep traffic safe. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Sunrise Materials will continue placing forms and reinforcing for the Route 89 bridge. Sunrise Materials plans to continue construction of the abutments for the Route 89 bridge for the next couple of weeks. They have stated that they would place the concrete for Route 89, so traffic may be reduced to one lane during concrete placements.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Maine Public Service has been placing utility poles at the Route 1 bridge site this week and Sargent Corporation has anticipated the completion of the work to be early next week, but Fairpoint Communications and Time Warner Cable will follow to place their utilities on these poles after Maine Public has finished. Sargent Corporation anticipates beginning the excavation for the Route 1 bridge abutment footings by the end of next week to be ready for the first concrete placement on May 16, 2011. As with the Route 89 bridge, Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone will be reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and this change should take place shortly. Major earth moving activities may begin in a couple weeks. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 and Route 1 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.30** - Soderberg Company and CPM Constructors have begun placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack on Friday, April, 29 2011. Soderberg Company plans to begin major earth moving construction for the Connector and access drives at the Route 161 / Connector intersection on Wednesday, May 4 2011 (if the weather cooperates). This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161.

### **May 5, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

Route 89: As reported last week, work continues on the footings and abutments for the Route 89 Overpass Bridge and is likely to do so for the next couple of weeks. Two-way traffic has been maintained, but traffic may be reduced to one lane during concrete placements for the bridge footings. The speed limit has been reduced to 35 mph and will remain at that speed until construction of the Route 89 bridge is complete.

Route 1/Van Buren Road: Maine Public Service (MPS) continues with placement of utility poles. After MPS is finished with pole placements, Time Warner and Fairpoint Communications will follow with placement of their wires and other infrastructure on the new poles.

Sargent Corporation anticipates beginning the excavation for the Route 1 bridge abutment footings by the end of the week of May 9<sup>th</sup> to be ready for the first concrete placement on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Plans are to maintain two way traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities.

Construction signs have been installed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction activity. Traffic speed will soon be reduced to 40 mph.

Major earth moving activities may begin in a couple of weeks. No significant traffic interruptions are anticipated.

**May 10, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
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**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sunrise Materials plans to continue construction of the abutments for the Route 89 bridge for the next couple of weeks. Two lane traffic has been maintained between the 2 construction areas and concrete barriers at each shoulder of the road have been placed to keep traffic safe. Sunrise Materials will continue placing forms and reinforcing for the footing at the south side of the Route 89 bridge (with a concrete placement tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 13, 2011). They have stated that they would place the concrete from Route 89, so traffic may be reduced to one lane during concrete placements. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Maine Public Service has placed utility poles at the Route 1 bridge site, Time Warner Cable should begin the installation of their service on the poles by May 12, 2011, with Fairpoint soon after. Sargent Corporation anticipates beginning the excavation for the west side Route 1 bridge abutment #1 footing on May 11, 2011 and a tentative concrete placement on May 12, 2011 (if needed). As with the Route 89 bridge, Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain 40 mph throughout the construction of the Route 1 bridge. Major earth moving activities may begin in a couple weeks. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 and Route 1 for the time being. The house currently located at the Route 1 Bridge site will be moved from its foundation and transported to Presque Isle (tentatively) on May 13, 2011.

**PIN 6462.30** - Soderberg Company and CPM Constructors will continue preparing for and placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack for the next several weeks. Soderberg Company has begun major earth moving construction for the Connector and access drives at the Route 161 / Connector intersection on Monday, May 9 2011. This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161.

**May 26, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
**CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for the Route 89 bridge abutments with the north side abutment concrete placement tentatively scheduled for 5/23/2011. Two lane traffic should be maintained at

the construction areas and concrete barriers at the shoulders of the road have been placed to keep traffic safe. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sargent Corporation has finished excavating for the easterly Route 1 Bridge Abutment footing yesterday, 5/16/2011. Fill concrete has been placed in this area and Sunrise Materials will begin the forming and reinforcing for the easterly side abutment footing this week with plans to place concrete next week. Maine Public Service has finished placing utility poles at the Route 1 bridge site and Time Warner Cable has begun placing their utilities on the service poles, Fairpoint Communications will follow with approximately 2 weeks worth of work. Sargent Corporation anticipates beginning the excavation for the Route 1 bridge abutment footings by the end of next week to be ready for the first concrete placement on May 16, 2011. As with the Route 89 bridge, Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities will begin next week. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 and Route 1 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM Constructors have placed concrete for the first abutment footing and will continue placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack as the areas are prepared. Soderberg Company has begun major earth moving construction for the Connector and access drives at the Route 161 / Connector intersection and will continue for the next month. This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161.

### **May 31, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for the Route 89 bridge abutments with the north side abutment wall placement tentatively scheduled for 6/3/2011. Two lane traffic should be maintained at the construction areas and concrete barriers at the shoulders of the road have been placed to keep traffic safe. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Major earth moving activities have begun this week. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sargent Corporation has finished excavating for the westerly Route 1 bridge abutment footing last week. Fill concrete has been placed in this area and Sunrise Materials will begin the forming and reinforcing for the westerly side abutment footing this week with plans to place concrete next week. Fairpoint Communications has finished placing their utilities at the service poles on

Route 1. Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. Plans to move the existing Rowland property house to Presque Isle have been tentatively made for Thursday (6/2/2011). Flaggers will be at the site to direct traffic, traffic maybe delayed for short intervals. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities have begun this week. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 1 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM Constructors have placed concrete for the first abutment footing and half of abutment #2 footing. CPM Constructors will continue placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack as the areas are prepared. Soderberg Company has begun major earth moving construction for the Connector and will continue for the next month. This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161.

### **June 2, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**Route 89:** Work continues on the bridge abutments with the north side abutment wall placement tentatively scheduled for Friday, June 3. Two lane traffic will be maintained; concrete barriers are still at the shoulders of the road to keep traffic safe. The speed limit remains at 35 mph. Major earth moving activities began this week but should not impact traffic for the time being.

**Route 1/Van Buren Road:** Excavation for the westerly Route 1 bridge abutment footing is completed. Fill concrete has been placed at the site and formation of the abutment footing will begin this week, with placement of the concrete next week.

Fairpoint Communications has completed installation of its infrastructure on the new utility poles.

Two lane traffic will be the norm; with occasional periods of one-way traffic for certain construction activities.

The existing house on the Rowland Property will be moved to Presque isle, the move is tentatively scheduled for the week of June 6th. Flaggers will be at the site to direct traffic which could be delayed for short intervals. The speed limit remains at 40 mph. Major earth moving activities began this week but should not impact traffic.

### **June 15, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for the Route 89 bridge abutment with a north side abutment wing wall placement tentatively scheduled for 6/17/2011. Two lane traffic should be

maintained at the construction areas and concrete barriers at the shoulders of the road have been placed to keep traffic safe. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Major earth moving activities will continue. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for Route 1 bridge abutment footing # 2. A concrete placement is scheduled for this footing for 5/16/2011 or 5/18/2011. Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. Plans to move the existing Rowland property house to Presque Isle will be 6/16/2011. Flaggers will be at the site to direct traffic, traffic maybe delayed for short intervals. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities will continue throughout this month. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 1 for the time being, with the exception of trucks turning onsite to deliver materials occasionally.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM Constructors have placed concrete for all the abutment footings and will continue placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack as the areas are prepared. CPM has received the arches for the Bridge in a Backpack and are currently preparing the abutments for arch installation. Soderberg Company has continued major earth moving construction for the Connector and the subgrade has been shaped. This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161 or Route 1. The construction site crosses the atv trail at the top of the hill between Routes 161 and 1, signs have been placed at the atv trail to warn of the upcoming construction area and stop signs have been placed on the construction site so that construction vehicles stop and look for atv traffic.

### **June 21, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for the Route 89 bridge abutment, with the south side abutment wall placement tentatively scheduled for 6/28/2011. Two lane traffic should be maintained at the construction areas and concrete barriers at the shoulders of the road have been placed to keep traffic safe. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Major earth moving activities will continue. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 89 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for Route 1 bridge abutment wall #1, with no immediate plans to place concrete in the next two weeks. Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for

certain construction activities. **THE EXISTING ROWLAND PROPERTY HOUSE HAS BEEN MOVED!** Plans to move the existing Rowland property garages to Presque Isle have been tentatively scheduled for roughly one garage per day for the next week or two. Flaggers will not be at the site to direct traffic as the garages will be loaded on the Connector site and driven onto Route 1 traffic permitting. Construction signs have been placed and concrete barriers will be used to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities will continue throughout this month, including the west side of Route 1. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 1 for the time being, with the exception of trucks turning onsite to deliver materials occasionally.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM Constructors have placed concrete for all the abutment footings and will continue placing concrete for the Bridge in a Backpack as the areas are prepared. CPM has received the arches for the Bridge in a Backpack and are currently preparing the abutments for arch installation. Soderberg Company has continued major earth moving construction for the Connector; the subgrade has been shaped and hydro seeding has begun. This work should not interfere with the traffic on Route 161 or Route 1. The construction site crosses the atv trail at the top of the hill between Routes 161 and 1, signs have been placed at the atv trail to warn of the upcoming construction area and stop signs have been placed on the construction site so that construction vehicles stop and look for atv traffic.

### **July 19, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sargent Corporation plans to backfill the Route 89 side of the Route 89 bridge abutments, starting tomorrow 7/20/2011. Traffic will be reduced to one lane with flaggers. Sargent Corporation is hoping to be able to remove concrete barriers as the areas adjacent the Route 89 roadway will be close to the finished grade. Sunrise Materials has completed construction of the Route 89 bridge abutments and wing walls, so construction activities should be reduced in this area. Typically two lane traffic should be maintained at the construction areas. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Major earth moving activities will continue. Earth moving activities should only effect traffic at Route 89 for short periods time being.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for Route 1 bridge abutment wall #2, with tentative plans to place concrete on 7/26/2011. Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with periods of occasional one lane traffic for certain construction activities. The moving of the existing Rowland property garages has been completed. Sargent Corporation will be moving fill from the west side of Route 1 across to the east side of Route 1, starting Wednesday 7/20/2011. Flaggers will be at the site to direct construction equipment across Route 1 so that Route 1 traffic will not be interrupted and will remain safe from the construction equipment. Construction signs

have been placed to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities will continue throughout the next month, including the construction equipment crossing of Route 1. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 1 for the time being.

**PIN 6462.50 (ITS and Longfellow Bridges)** - Sunrise Materials plans to place concrete for the ITS Bridge footing on 7/27/2011. Sargent Corporation plans begin clearing and grubbing for the Longfellow Brook bridge, construction has been scheduled to begin on August 1, 2011. These work zones are away from major traffic areas and should not interfere with the travelling public.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM has erected, filled and sheathed the arches for the Bridge in a Backpack. CPM Constructors will continue placing concrete for the arch overlay concrete slab at the Bridge in a Backpack as the area is prepared (tentatively 7/28/2011). Soderberg Construction continues manufacture roadway gravel for the Connector. Soderberg Construction will begin construction at the Route 161 intersection on 7/20/2011. These activities will include: street signs, culverts and structure placements. Flaggers will be onsite to direct traffic as the roadway will be reduced to one lane during work hours (7:00 am to 5:00 pm). The speed limit has been reduced in this area from 50 mph to 40 mph and will remain reduced until the construction in this area has been completed.

The construction site crosses the atv trail at the top of the hill between Routes 161 and 1, signs have been placed at the atv trail to warn of the upcoming construction area and stop signs have been placed on the construction site so that construction vehicles stop and look for atv traffic.

### **August 17, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT** **CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 89)** - Sargent Corporation plans to continue backfilling the Route 89 bridge abutments from off the roadway. Typically two lane traffic should be maintained at the construction areas. The speed limit through the construction zone will remain 35 mph until construction of the Route 89 Bridge is complete. Major earth moving activities will continue. Earth moving activities should only effect traffic at Route 89 for short periods time. Sunrise Materials has tentatively planned to begin Next Beam (precast bridge decking) installation for the week starting on September 12, 2011. The Next Beam installation is going to take place in the evening hours possibly through the night (starting as early as 7:00 PM). The Next Beam installation is only anticipated to last one to two nights per bridge. The Next Beam installation will include possibly reducing traffic to one lane for the evening with periods of full traffic closures (10 to 15 minutes) as the beams are hoisted into place over the existing road. More detailed traffic information will be passed along as it becomes available.

**PIN 6462.50 (Route 1 / Van Buren Road)** - Sunrise Materials will continue to place forms and reinforcing for Route 1 bridge wing wall #1, and plan to place concrete on

8/26/2011. There is a wing wall placement at abutment #2 on 8/17/2011. Sargent Corporation plans to maintain two lane traffic through the construction zone with occasional trucks turning at this location. Sargent Corporation plans to begin placing drainage and backfill at the Route 1 intersection starting as early as 8/18/2011. Sargent Corporation has continued moving fill from the west side of Route 1 across to the east side of Route 1. Flaggers will be at the site to direct construction equipment across Route 1 so that Route 1 traffic will not be interrupted and will remain safe from the construction equipment. Construction signs have been placed to keep traffic safe from the construction. The speed zone has been reduced to 40 mph through the construction zone and will remain throughout the construction of the Route 1 Bridge. Major earth moving activities will continue throughout the next month, including the construction equipment crossing of Route 1. Earth moving activities shouldn't effect traffic at Route 1 for the time being. Sunrise Materials has tentatively planned to begin Next Beam (precast bridge decking) installation for the week starting on September 12, 2011. The Next Beam installation is going to take place in the evening hours possibly through the night (starting as early as 7:00 PM). The Next Beam installation is only anticipated to last one to two nights per bridge. The Next Beam installation will include possibly reducing traffic to one lane for the evening with periods of full traffic closures (10 to 15 minutes) as the beams are hoisted into place over the existing road. More detailed traffic information will be passed along as it becomes available.

**PIN 6462.50 (ITS and Longfellow Bridges)** - Sunrise Materials has plans to continue construction at the ITS Bridge soon. Sunrise Materials will also continue the construction of the Longfellow Brook bridge, Sunrise Materials has scheduled concrete construction of these two bridges by 8/22/2011. These work zones are away from major traffic areas and should not interfere with the travelling public. Where the project comes in close proximity to the ITS trails, atv operators should take caution.

**PIN 6462.30** - CPM Constructors have completed the placing of concrete for the arch overlay concrete slab at the Bridge in a Backpack. Soderberg Construction has plans to begin placing the Mechanically Stabilized Earth Retaining Wall at the Bridge in a Backpack as soon as the CPM has finished the bridge construction. Soderberg Construction continues to manufacture and place roadway gravel at the Connector. Soderberg Construction has begun construction at the Route 161 intersection. Soderberg Construction plans to continue shaping the Route 161 intersection as early as 8/18/2011. Traffic will be reduced to one lane through the construction day (6:30 AM - 6:00 PM). Motorists travelling through this area should be aware of uneven pavement. The speed limit has been reduced in this area from 50 mph to 40 mph and will remain reduced until the construction in this area has been completed. Lane Construction has plans to pave the base layer of pavement at the Connector from Route 161 to the ITS trail (tentatively on 8/23/2011).

The construction site crosses the atv trail at the top of the hill between Routes 161 and 1, signs have been placed at the atv trail to warn of the upcoming construction area and stop signs have been placed on the construction site so that construction vehicles stop and look for atv traffic.

**August 24, 2011 CONSTRUCTION ALERT**  
**CONTRACT 2 – CARIBOU CONNECTOR PROJECT**

**Route 89:** The installation of the pre-cast bridge deck that was bolded in the August 18<sup>th</sup> alert is now tentatively scheduled for **September 16, 2011**. The sub-contractor, Sunrise Materials, will install the decking during the evening hours, starting as early as 7pm. Installation may require a couple of nights at this bridge.

Installation of the pre-cast bridge decking may reduce traffic to one lane with periods of full closure for 10-15 minute intervals as the beams are hoisted into place.

More detailed traffic information will be passed along as the event draws closer.

**Route 1/Van Buren Road:** The installation of this second bridge deck that was bolded in the August 18<sup>th</sup> alert is now tentatively scheduled to begin on **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. As with the Route 89 Bridge, this installation will also take place during evening hours, starting as early as 7pm. Installation at this bridge will also require a couple of evenings, with traffic reduced to one lane with 10-15 minute intervals of full closure when the beams are being hoisted into place.

More detailed traffic information will be passed along as the event draws closer.