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January 22, 2024

Town of Bowdoinham Attn: Tina Magno, Town Clerk 13 School Street Bowdoinham, Maine 04008

Subject: West Gardiner - Topsham I-295 NB & SB

Project Identification Number 26340.00, 26342.00

Dear Ms. Magno,

The Maine Department of Transportation is currently working on estimating a pavement preservation project on Interstate I-295 in the Towns of West Gardiner, Richmond, Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, and Topsham advertisement for competitive bids in 2024. Construction will begin in the spring and continue until completion in 2024; exact start and completion dates and a will be forwarded once a schedule from the Contractor has been reviewed and approved. Construction work hours will include day and night work, including occasional nighttime ramp closures.

The project is further described as follows: Pavement preservation, Ultra-Thin Bonded Wearing Corse in both Northbound and Southbound directions, beginning 1.2 miles at the Exit 51 interchange and extending 21.4 miles to Topsham.

The purpose of this letter is to make the necessary notifications of the project to abutters, municipal officials and occupants of the highway under the provisions of 23 M.R.S.A. § 3351. We hereby request that you provide a copy of this notice to all municipal officials, employees and boards with responsibilities for utility and/or land-use planning/permitting, and that you post this letter on any municipal public bulletin boards, media outlets and/or municipal websites as public meeting will not be held regarding this project unless specifically requested by the municipality. In addition, after the new pavement is placed, no permit to open this segment of highway will be granted for a period of 3 years except as provided in Title 23, M.R.S.A. §3352.

The Department would like to know if there are any events or known traffic generators that would impact this project. Should you have any questions, concerns or other areas of interest, we would appreciate your comments and input. Please feel free to contact me at (207)-557-1663 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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