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MEDIA ADVISORY: Maine Asphalt Pavement Association Holds its Third Annual Pave Maine Awards

Augusta, Maine- The Maine Asphalt Pavement Association (MAPA) held its 9th Annual Membership meeting on November 30, 2021. MAPA recognized our 2021 Pave Maine Awards winners.

Members had 4 categories to choose from based on tonnage; 0-500, 500-2,500, 2,500-10,000 and 10,000 +. Each project was judged on Construction Techniques or Materials, Executing a Difficult or Challenging Job, Partnering with Client, Positive Impacts to the Community and Safety. The Board elected three independent judges, with over 100 years of combined experience in the Industry, to review all applications and select this year's winners. This year we had 11 applicants spread out over all 4 categories.

0-500 tons was awarded to Northeast Paving for their work on the Howland Veteran's Memorial Parking Lot. This project is located in the Town of Howland at the Veteran's Memorial. The project consisted of regrading the existing gravel parking lot, and utilizing Recycled Asphalt Pavement to smooth it out. One lift of 12.5mm HMA was placed using approximately 250 tons. The gravel lot that was there before made it difficult for visitors to safely move around the parking lot due to the potholes and loose gravel. Now that it is paved, visitors are able to safely view the Memorial and take in the views of the beautiful Penobscot River. They were able to coordinate with David Lloyd, the Town Manager, to set aside two days to grade and pave the parking lot, so there was minimal impact on visitors. The Improvements not only enhances the beauty of this park along the Penobscot River but also improves the mobility of the veterans who are visiting this area paying respect to all those who have served.

500-2,500 was awarded to Glidden Excavating & Paving for their work on I-295 in Portland and South Portland. During the course of this project, Glidden Excavating & Paving, Inc. completed paving at 24 bridge joints, which included both the travel and passing lanes as well as the adjacent on and off ramps. This paving work required 20 separate mobilizations and the movement of paving equipment on and off the highway daily and nightly due to closure restraints. The biggest challenge was meeting the schedule. This project started in April 2020, ultimately ended in December 2020, and was high paced from the onset. Prior to work being completed, most of the joints did not ride very well. The new approach paving not only made it safer for drivers, it will also help to shorten the project duration during the summer paving season.

2,500-10,000 was awarded to Northeast Paving for their work in Acadia National Park. The project entailed removing pavement surface from the entrance of Acadia in Hulls Cove to the Park Loop Road including the information center and Cadillac Mountain Entrance off Rte. 233. Complete pavement removal of Duck Brook Bridge, repairing its deck and walkways, placing new membrane and base pavement. Rehab Frenchman's Bay Overlook by removing existing walkways, remove and replace concrete curb and replace existing sidewalks with concrete. Also

included were replacing concrete curb islands at West Street Extension entrance and at the beginning of the park loop road and other incidental items. The Challenge with this project is in recent years Acadia National Park really doesn't have a slow season and with the addition of Cruise ships and buses taking those people on tours it makes it very difficult to do this work without impeding tourists and keeping all involved safe in the process.

10,000+ was awarded to Northeast Paving for their work on Route 1 from Presque Isle to Caribou. This project required a challenging and aggressive work schedule spanning over two construction seasons and rehabilitated a 10-mile corridor of Route 1, which connects the cities of Presque Isle and Caribou in Northern Maine. An especially challenging aspect of the project was the removal of 12 inches of underlying gravel/asphalt material (placed in the 1950s) within the mainline only, while leaving the shoulders intact for a 6-mile portion of the project. This underlying material was attributing to severe wheel-rutting and the deterioration of the existing pavement and needed to be rehabilitated for safety concerns and preservation. Route 1 would remain open to two-way traffic for almost the whole duration of the project.

The Maine Asphalt Pavement Association would like to Congratulate all its 2021 Pave Maine Award Winners! Brian Raymond, president of MAPA, presented each winner with an award.



About: It is the mission of Maine Asphalt Pavement Association (MAPA) to encourage and promote the safe and environmentally sound use of bituminous asphalt products throughout the State of Maine. MAPA is an advocate for a unified industry voice and provides a forum for advancing teamwork and the education process within the asphalt industry, our clients and the driving public, and through this proactive process, provide the best, most economical, enhancements to Maine's transportation infrastructure.

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