

# United States Land Port of Entry, Madawaska, Maine

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A total of \$69M was appropriated by Congress for construction of a new Madawaska, Maine Land Port of Entry in 2004, 2007 and 2009. [https://www.gsa.gov/cdnstatic/fy10\\_program\\_construction\\_us\\_land\\_port\\_of\\_entry\\_madawaska\\_me.pdf](https://www.gsa.gov/cdnstatic/fy10_program_construction_us_land_port_of_entry_madawaska_me.pdf)

The current project consists of design and construction of a new Land Port of Entry (LPOE) on 10.7 acres of USA land to replace the 1959 mission and operationally deficient LPOE in coordination with Maine DOT's Madawaska-Edmundston International bridge (<https://www.maine.gov/mdot/projects/madawaska/internationalbrg>) replacement projected to be completed by November 2023. The program of requirements for this permit-only port details approximately 76,717 GSF.

- The proposed project is needed because the size and conditions of the existing building and overall site of the Madawaska LPOE are substandard, preventing the agencies assigned to the LPOE from adequately fulfilling their respective missions
- The purpose of this project is to provide for the long-term safe and efficient flow of current and projected traffic volumes, including the movement of goods and people, between Madawaska, Maine and Edmundston, New Brunswick.
- The main building will house administration, training, staff, staff support, processing support, enforcement support, agricultural inspection, building support, inspection support areas, and training facilities comprising classrooms, offices, training rooms, and support spaces.

## **PROJECT STATUS:**

- NEPA Final Supplemental Impact Statement (FSEIS) and Record of Decision was completed 3/2/2020.
  - <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/03/02/2020-04252/notice-of-availability-of-a-record-of-decision-for-the-construction-of-a-new-us-land-port-of-entry>.
  - <https://www.gsa.gov/cdnstatic/New%20Madawaska%20US%20LPOE%20and%20International%20Bridge%20Project%20FSEIS%2009232019.pdf>
- In accordance with the Uniform Act, the site acquisition of 3 residences and McDonald's is complete.
- Monica Ponce de Leon (MPdL) Studios completed the Bridging Contract Documents in 8/2020
- Design Build solicitation released 10/1/2020, 10/14/2020 - Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting & Site Visit, 11/17/2020 bids received, 1/19/2021 DB award made to J&J Contractors, with Robert Siegel Architects as Architect of Record, 13 months of design, early construction started June 2021
  - 9/9/2021 Official Groundbreaking Ceremony held in Madawaska, Maine
  - 11/19/2021 - Incremental early design packages allowed J&J Contractors and its subcontractors to begin early construction (currently at about 15%) filling, cutting, grading, utility work, retaining walls construction, foundations & piers for the main port building and secondary canopy, along with foundation for the commercial inspection building.
  - 12/23/2021 - Footings for both MPB & CIB are poured, secondary canopy, outbound, primary concrete placed to grade beams, and all backfilled to subgrade to protect for the winter. And 16' of 22' of the retaining wall has been built.
  - 12/23/2021 to 3/21/2022 (due to winter conditions) the construction phase will be focused on submittals, material deliveries, completion of 100% construction documents, subcontractor buyout, interior demolition of the former McDonald's
  - 3/21/2022 - Spring site work resuming with uncovering foundations & piers in preparation for delivery & installation of structural precast tilt up wall panels & waterproofing in April with structural steel to follow.
- The Commissioning Request for Proposal was released on 1/27/2021, proposals were received on 3/2/2021, and contract was awarded to Chinook Systems, Inc. on 6/15/2021.
- The Construction Manager Request for Proposal was released on 3/25/2021, with proposals received on 4/21/2021, and contract was awarded to Procon Consulting LLC on 7/6/2021.
- The demolition contract was awarded 2/26/2021 to Ed Pelletier & Sons for the demolition of USA owned aztec building slab, 93 & 91 Vital and 170 Main Street, demolition work and contract completed 4/30/2021.
- Monica Ponce de Leon Studio's PCCS services Option 2 has been exercised.
- Ralph Helmick submitted final art in architecture concept on 6/1/2020, was approved, & working with DB on design development, with a 100% AinA Design Development submission for 4/2022.
- 5 Legal agreements with MaineDOT have been executed.
- MaineDOT awarded the bridge contract to Reed & Reed on 4/1/2021, bridge construction started 5/2021, and the new LPOE will open concurrently with the bridge 11/2023.