I-395/Route 9 Transportation Study and Left Turns

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Good evening to all:

An accident in Monticello Sunday evening occurred when an operator making a left turn from the northbound lane of Route 1 collided with a vehicle traveling south on Route 1.

How do left turns affect the I-395/Route 9 Transportation Study?

Well—the sad fact is that left turns caused by additional access points on Route 9 would not even be an issue had the MaineDOT/FHWA selected an alternative that met the original System Linkage Needs of a limited-access facility.

The 2B-2 alternative adds 158 distinct access points (left turns) to the connector where any of the 79+ studied alternatives that met the System Linkage Need had zero access points (zero left turns).

Please read the attached document.