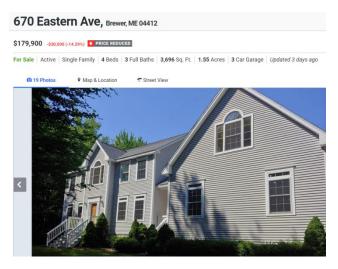
This is how an ill-conceived project affects a neighborhood:



Once the most expensive property in this Brewer neighborhood—now the cheapest—fallen into disrepair and the original owners have walked away. Assessed @\$328,500 for 2018, the price has gone down \$112,600 since just February when it was first listed @\$292,900.

The house is only 14 years old and was permitted and built during the connector study when 3EIK-2 was the preferred alternative by both the MaineDOT and the FHWA. The disrepair and drop in value of this property affects the whole neighborhood and I contend the disrepair was caused by the connector project and the affect it had on the owners since 2B-2 was forced upon Brewer at the end of 2011—try living for a decade with the stress of a new highway abutting your property!!

From the <u>Coldwell Banker Realty</u> listing: "The proposed I-395/Route 9 bypass will be crossing the lot next to this property. The ROW begins about 95' from the right property line. It will be a two lane road that is mostly below grade as it will pass under Eastern Avenue. Construction may begin the fall of 2021."

MaineDOT has already taken the property (eminent domain) directly abutting the rear (north) of this property; when the DOT purchases the ROW as mentioned above, the MaineDOT will also abut this property to the east—all of this without monetary compensation for the decreased quality of life that brought us all to country-living.