• Acadia National Cemetery is a new 6.22-acre Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) national cemetery located in Washington County, Maine. This cemetery will serve the needs of more than 23,599 Veterans, spouses and eligible children within a 75-mile radius of nearby Machias.

• This cemetery will be the second national cemetery in Maine and is part of the VA National Cemetery Administration Rural Initiative to provide access to VA burial benefits for Veterans who reside in rural areas and who have not previously had reasonable access to a national or state Veterans cemetery.

• Togus National Cemetery in Chelsea, Maine, is the only other VA national cemetery in the state and is currently closed to new interments.

• There are three state run Veterans cemeteries in Maine: Central, Northern, and Southern Maine Veterans’ Cemeteries. Central Maine Veterans’ Cemetery in Augusta is the closest of these, located 149 Miles from Jonesboro.

• The land at 1799 U.S. Route 1, Jonesboro, ME was donated to the VA by Worcester Holdings, LLC on September 27, 2017.

• The design-build contract was awarded in August 2018 to Valiant Construction LLC, located at 4124 Wahl Street Blvd., Louisville, KY. Construction started in Spring 2019 and is expected to be completed in April 2020.

• Cemetery construction is currently underway. When the initial phase is completed, there will be room for more than 1,400 interments, including caskets, in-ground burial of cremains, columbaria space for cremains, and a memorial wall. At full capacity, the cemetery will be able to accommodate just over 7,000 interments.

• Richard Wallace, Director, Massachusetts National Cemetery will oversee Acadia National Cemetery. For more information about Acadia NC, call Massachusetts National Cemetery at 508-563-7113.

• For more information about VA National Cemetery Administration visit: [www.cem.va.gov](http://www.cem.va.gov)

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