

= M @-@ 186 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 186 , is a state trunkline highway in the U.S. state of Michigan . It functions as a connector highway wholly contained in Grand Traverse County , which is located in the northwestern Lower Peninsula . The western terminus is at M @-@ 113 east of Kingsley and the eastern terminus is at U.S. Highway 131 (US 131) west of downtown Fife Lake . The current incarnation of M @-@ 186 is the second usage of the designation . The first was used for a highway in the Upper Peninsula in the 1930s .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 186 forms an easterly extension of M @-@ 113 from Kingsley to Fife Lake . M @-@ 186 starts south of a ninety @-@ degree curve in M @-@ 113 and runs east through flat , wooded terrain to Fife Lake . The roadway runs parallel to the survey section lines in Fife Lake Township , and it passes several residences along the whole length . From the eastern terminus , State Street connects M @-@ 186 and US 131 with downtown Fife Lake .

In 2007 , the average annual daily traffic (AADT) surveys conducted by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) showed that 2 @,@ 100 vehicles used M @-@ 186 . M @-@ 113 west of M @-@ 186 logged an average of 7 @,@ 800 vehicles a day north of the junction and 4 @,@ 400 vehicles south of the junction . On the east end , US 131 carried 5 @,@ 100 vehicles north and 4 @,@ 800 vehicles south of the junction in Fife Lake . Of the 2 @,@ 100 vehicles on M @-@ 186 , only 140 trucks travelled the highway each day on average .

= = History = =

= = = Previous designation = = =

In the 1930s , M @-@ 186 was designated on a 4 @.@ 3 @-@ mile (6 @.@ 9 km) connector route in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan between US 2 / US 41 at Rapid River and M @-@ 35 near Brampton . This designation existed from 1933 until July 26 , 1939 , forming a route for westbound US 2 traffic to access M @-@ 35 northbound towards Gwinn and Negaunee .

= = = Current designation = = =

In 1940 , US 131 ended at a threeway convergence with M @-@ 113 and M @-@ 131 four miles (6 km) north of Walton Junction in Paradise Township . From this intersection , US 131 ran south to Walton Junction , M @-@ 113 ran west to Kingsley , and M @-@ 131 ran east toward Fife Lake before turning north to Petoskey . A new alignment of US 131 was built from Walton Junction directly to Fife Lake . This formed a third leg of a triangle of roads , allowing US 131 to bypass the Paradise Township intersection . US 131 replaced M @-@ 131 north from Fife Lake to Petoskey . M @-@ 113 was extended along the former section of US 131 south to Walton Junction . The remaining leg of the triangle from Paradise Township to Fife Lake along a portion of the former M @-@ 131 was designated M @-@ 186 at this time .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Fife Lake Township , Grand Traverse County .