

= C @-@ 66 ( Michigan county highway ) =

C @-@ 66 is a county @-@ designated highway in the US state of Michigan running about 28 miles ( 45 km ) across the northern tip of the Lower Peninsula . The roadway starts in the unincorporated community of Cross Village in Emmet County at an intersection with M @-@ 119 and C @-@ 77 . It follows Levering Road through rural areas to an interchange with Interstate 75 ( I @-@ 75 ) west of Cheboygan . The eastern terminus is at an intersection with US Highway 23 ( US 23 ) and M @-@ 27 in downtown Cheboygan . The first roadways along what is now C @-@ 66 were in place by the early 20th century . Segments were paved by 1936 , although some reverted to a gravel surface during World War II . The full roadway was paved by the mid @-@ 1950s , and the C @-@ 66 moniker was designated on the roadway in the early 1970s .

= = Route description = =

The roadway starts at a junction with M @-@ 119 ( Lake Shore Drive ) and C @-@ 77 ( State Road ) in the community of Cross Village near Lake Michigan in Emmet County . C @-@ 66 travels southward for about 300 feet ( 91 m ) concurrently along C @-@ 77 to the intersection with Levering Road . From there , C @-@ 66 turns eastward on Levering Road , leaving town . The landscape outside of town is mostly woodland with scattered fields . Except for a jog near Hill Road in Bliss Township , Levering Road is a straight road running due east . C @-@ 66 intersects C @-@ 81 ( Pleasantview Road ) in a clearing before entering the community of Levering . The county road passes through some residential areas and by a baseball field before meeting US 31 . C @-@ 66 turns south to run concurrently along US 31 for about a quarter mile ( 0 @. @ 4 km ) before turning eastward again .

Levering Road continues easterly leaving town south of Sherett Lake . East of the intersection with Ingleside Road , C @-@ 66 crosses into Cheboygan County . The roadway curves to the northeast before returning to a due eastward course north of Munro Lake along the Hebron ? Munro township line .. The landscape changes to include more farm fields once road passes the lake . C @-@ 66 intersects I @-@ 75 at exit 326 along the latter . On the east side of the interchange , Levering Road passes Sea Shell City , a tourist trap , and turns northeastward into Hebron Township . C @-@ 66 then turns easterly again before it crosses into Beaugrand Township , taking the additional name Cheboygan Road . The roadway crosses branches of the Little Black River and passes to the south of the Cheboygan County Airport . East of the airport , C @-@ 66 enters the city of Cheboygan and follows State Street into town ; this area is residential in nature . State Street crosses the North Central State Trail , a rail trail , before turning to the southeast . The roadway passes into the northern end of downtown near several smaller businesses .. C @-@ 66 terminates at a four @-@ way intersection with Main Street one block west of the Cheboygan River ; this intersection also marks the northern terminus of M @-@ 27 . As a county @-@ designated highway , C @-@ 66 is maintained by the Emmet and Cheboygan county road commissions ( ECRC , CCRC ) in their respective counties .

= = History = =

Roadways along the route of Levering Road in Cheboygan County existed as far back as 1902 in Hebron and Munro townships ; the section south of the township line was not yet built at the time . By 1927 , Levering Road extended across the tip of the Lower Peninsula ; near the Hebron ? Beaugrand township line in Cheboygan County , the county road made a jog to follow what is now Wollangur and Hill roads . In 1930 , the ECRC paved Levering Road between US 31 and the county line and the CCRC paved the roadway in Beaugrand Township . By mid 1936 , it was paved from a point between Cross Village and the Pleasantview Road intersection to the county line in Emmet County as well as the Beaugrand Township section in Cheboygan County . During World War II , the counties reverted most of Levering Road to a gravel surface ; pavement in Emmet County started east of Pleasantview Road instead of west , and Cheboygan County had no sections paved . At the

same time , the new roadway was opened to bypass Wollangur and Hill roads .

In late 1949 or early 1950 , the ECRC repaved Levering Road westward back to the point between Cross Village and Pleasantview Road that had been paved before the war . In late 1951 or early 1952 , the CCRC paved its section of Levering Road . In late 1954 or early 1955 , the ECRC completed paving all of Levering Road in its jurisdiction . The county @-@ designated highway system was created around after October 5 , 1970 . The C @-@ 66 designation was first shown on the 1971 state map following the routing used today .

= = Major intersections = =