

= M @-@ 52 ( Michigan highway ) =

M @-@ 52 is a north ? south state trunkline highway in the US state of Michigan . The southern terminus is on the Ohio border , where it continues as State Route 109 ( SR 109 ) . The highway passes through communities like Adrian , where it intersects US Highway 223 ( US 223 ) , Chelsea and Webberville along its 127 @. @ 3 @-@ mile @-@ long ( 204 @. @ 9 km ) course . It crosses some major rivers , including the River Raisin and the Shiawassee . The section of the highway between M @-@ 50 and Manchester was built as a limited @-@ access highway . M @-@ 52 's northern terminus is at M @-@ 46 , nine miles ( 14 km ) west of Saginaw .

Adrian previously converted their downtown streets to one @-@ way traffic between 1950 and 1973 . The traffic pattern created an unusual arrangement in the routings of the two state highways downtown . Southbound M @-@ 52 followed Winter Street , which also carried both eastbound and westbound directions of the US 223 business loop . These streets carried both highways around the downtown business district in this arrangement until November 2009 .

M @-@ 52 is an original state trunkline highway , dating to the 1919 formation of the system . Other segments of the modern routing were designated M @-@ 92 and M @-@ 47 at the time . Extensions to M @-@ 52 supplanted M @-@ 92 completely and M @-@ 47 partially along their routings . These extensions completed the modern M @-@ 52 routing in the late 1960s .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 52 starts at the Ohio state line as Adrian Highway in Fairfield Township , Lenawee County , where it is the continuation of SR 109 into Michigan . The highway runs north to Adrian where it intersects US Highway 223 ( US 223 ) at the city border with Madison Township . As the highway crosses the city line , it is concurrently designated Business US 223 ( Bus . US 223 ) along Main Street into downtown Adrian . Bus . US 223 / M @-@ 52 intersects Beecher Street , which carries M @-@ 34 to the latter 's eastern terminus in Adrian . After Beecher , Main Street turns north @-@ northeast into the downtown area .

In downtown Adrian , M @-@ 52 runs north along Main Street to Church Street . Since November 2009 , the one @-@ way streets were converted back to two @-@ way functionality . Both directions of M @-@ 52 now turn east along Church , then north along Broad Street . At Front Street , traffic is diverted west back to Main Street . Continuing north out of downtown Adrian , M @-@ 52 follows Main Street over the South Branch of the River Raisin and out of the city limits , where it once again becomes Adrian Highway . The highway curves from running north @-@ northeast back to due north . West of the city of Tecumseh , the trunkline intersects M @-@ 50 . M @-@ 52 continues north as a limited @-@ access highway . Access to and from the highway is limited to select cross roads only . Just south of the county line , the highway intersects with US 12 before crossing into Washtenaw County .

The limited @-@ access section of M @-@ 52 continues north through western Washtenaw County , where it ends in Manchester . M @-@ 52 turns west along Austin and City roads into the village . The trunkline continues along the banks of the north branch of the River Raisin on Riverside Drive before turning north out of town . Just south of Chelsea , M @-@ 52 crosses Interstate 94 ( I @-@ 94 ) . The highway continues through downtown Chelsea and turns northwesterly through the Waterloo State Recreation Area in the northwesternmost part of the county . The highway clips the corner of Jackson County , running for almost 2 @. @ 5 miles ( 4 @. @ 0 km ) through Waterloo Township before crossing into Ingham County south of Stockbridge .

M @-@ 52 joins M @-@ 106 south of Stockbridge , and the two highways run together into the village . In downtown , M @-@ 106 turns east and M @-@ 52 turns west before heading north out of town . At the Stockbridge ? White Oak township line , M @-@ 52 joins M @-@ 36 which follows the townships ' common border . The two highways run concurrently north into White Oak Township before M @-@ 36 turns west , ending the concurrency . In western Webberville , M @-@ 52 passes under I @-@ 96 and merges with M @-@ 43 at the latter 's eastern terminus . The two highways run north to , and turn west along , Grand River Avenue . At Perry Road , M @-@ 52 turns back

north out of the village . The trunkline continues north into Shiawassee County and runs through Perry before crossing I @-@ 69 . Continuing north , M @-@ 52 curves northeasterly into downtown Owosso intersecting M @-@ 21 west of M @-@ 71 's western terminus . M @-@ 52 continues northward parallel to the Shiawassee River into Saginaw County .

The trunkline runs through the community of Oakley before intersecting M @-@ 57 west of Chesaning . North of Chesaning , M @-@ 52 angles to the northeast into and through St. Charles , crossing the Shiawassee River west of the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge . The northern terminus of M @-@ 52 is an intersection with M @-@ 46 west of Saginaw in Thomas Township .

= = History = =

M @-@ 52 was first designated by July 1 , 1919 . The original routing started at the Ohio state line and ran north through Adrian to M @-@ 50 much as it does today . It turned east along M @-@ 50 into Tecumseh and then turned north to Clinton where it terminated . The remainder of the modern highway routing is either not part of the state trunkline system , or it is parts of other highways at this time , M @-@ 92 or M @-@ 47 . In 1954 , M @-@ 92 was extended southward to end in Clinton at the same intersection with US 112 where M @-@ 52 terminated . By July 1 , 1960 , M @-@ 92 's southern end was shifted westward , terminating west of Clinton at US 112 on a new roadway south of Manchester . M @-@ 52 was extended around 1962 north between M @-@ 50 and US 12 ( the former US 112 ) west of Tecumseh and Clinton . This extension ended at M @-@ 92 's terminus with US 12 . M @-@ 52 was then extended north supplanting the M @-@ 92 designation in its entirety . M @-@ 52 at this time runs north from the Ohio state line to Millville in southwestern Ingham County . In the late 1960s , Stockbridge Road between Webberville and Stockbridge was upgraded to state highway standards and uploaded from the county to the state . This construction was shown on the 1969 state map . When it was completed later that year , M @-@ 52 was extended northward a second time , to I @-@ 96 outside of Webberville . Where Stockbridge Road crossed I @-@ 96 , M @-@ 52 was continued north , supplanting M @-@ 47 through Webberville and north to the junction with M @-@ 46 west of Saginaw . This designation change shortened M @-@ 47 to its current southern terminus in Saginaw Township .

In downtown Adrian , the highways previously split into an uncommon arrangement of one @-@ way streets . This arrangement was similar to a traffic circle in how the traffic was routed through the central business district on Church , Broad , Front and Winter streets . The first one @-@ way pairing started on Main Street at the intersection with Winter Street . Northbound traffic continued on Main Street , while southbound traffic was routed along Winter Street . At Church Street , westbound Bus . US 223 / northbound M @-@ 52 turned east for a block on Church and then north onto Broad Street . Then the highway designations continued on Broad Street three blocks north to Front Street , passing to the east of the downtown businesses . The designations were then routed west along Front Street . At Main Street , M @-@ 52 turned back north again as a two @-@ way street . In the opposite direction , southbound M @-@ 52 traffic was diverted from Main west on Front Street . Front Street west of Main Street carried southbound M @-@ 52 and westbound Bus . US 223 traffic one block west to Winter Street , which then turned down Winter . Westbound Bus . US 223 traffic turned west along Maumee Street while eastbound Bus . US 223 followed southbound M @-@ 52 down Winter to Main Street . This arrangement was ended in November 2009 when the City of Adrian converted all of the one @-@ way streets to two @-@ way traffic . Downtown streets had been converted to one @-@ way traffic between 1950 and 1973 .

= = Major intersections = =