M @-@ 247 is a north ? south state trunkline highway in the US state of Michigan , connecting M @-@ 13 to the Bay City Recreation Area , entirely within Bangor Township . As a state trunkline , M @-@ 247 runs north from M @-@ 13 before turning to access the park , a distance of 3 @.@ 036 miles (4 @.@ 886 km) . The highway carries just over 6 @,@ 000 vehicles a day on average . The roadway has been part of the state trunkline highway system since the 1920s , and from 1961 until 1998 , it was the highest non @-@ Interstate highway in the state . Before it was given the M @-@ 247 designation , the roadway has been a part of M @-@ 111 and M @-@ 47 .

= = Route description = =

Starting at its southern terminus at M @-@ 13 , M @-@ 247 follows Euclid Avenue north about 2 @.@ 7 miles (4 @.@ 3 km) , crossing the Kawkawlin River . When it meets Beaver Road , M @-@ 247 turns east leading directly into the state park and ends at its entrance . The entire roadway passes through suburban Bay City near the Saginaw Bay . None of the highway is listed on the National Highway System , a system of regionally important highways .

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) measures the traffic volumes on its highways using a calculation called average annual daily traffic (AADT) . This value is an expression of the number of vehicles that use a section of roadway on any average day of the year . When the department surveyed M @-@ 247 in 2009 , the southernmost section near M @-@ 13 carried 6 @,@ 135 vehicles ; the remainder carried 6 @,@ 224 vehicles . As a subset of these figures , 190 commercial vehicles used the trunkline on average . This was an overall increase from 2008 when the sections carried 5 @,@ 031 and 5 @,@ 573 vehicles respectively , but a decrease from the 214 commercial vehicles .

= = History = =

By 1929 , the first highway designation along the current M @-@ 247 was assigned . That first number was M @-@ 111 , which lasted until 1937 when all of M @-@ 111 became part of M @-@ 47 . In early 1961 , the roadway changed numbers once more . This time M @-@ 47 was realigned to a former section of US Highway 10 (US 10) , and the connection to the state park was assigned the M @-@ 247 designation . This was the highest highway number in the state , excluding Interstates , until the 1998 designation of M @-@ 553 in the Upper Peninsula .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Bangor Township, Bay County.