

= M @-@ 149 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 149 is a 10 @. @ 605 @-@ mile (17 @. @ 07 km) north ? south state trunkline highway in the Upper Peninsula of the US state of Michigan . It connects US Highway 2 (US 2) in Thompson with the Palms Book and Indian Lake state parks . The highway was originally designed in the 1930s and extended a few years later . The last major changes to the highway were made in the 1960s when it was completely paved for the first time .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 149 is a rural two @-@ lane highway that starts in the community of Thompson southwest of Manistique on Lake Michigan . It runs west @-@ northwesterly through woodlands away from a junction with US 2 along a small pond in the area . The road curves to the north and passes the cemetery and some small farms south of a crossing with a line of the Canadian National Railway . North of the tracks , the road meets County Road 442 (CR 442) near Indian Lake . M @-@ 149 turns to the west at that junction while CR 442 runs easterly to connect to the main unit of the Indian Lake State Park . The highway continues to a junction with CR 455 , which connects to the western unit of the state part , after which the trunkline turns to the northwest through forested terrain . The highway turns back to the west before intersecting another CR 442 in the area . At this junction , M @-@ 149 turns to the north where it continues for several miles until curving eastward . M @-@ 149 intersects the northern end of CR 455 and turns north once again until it terminates at the main gate to the Palms Book State Park , home of Kitch @-@ iti @-@ kipi (the Big Spring) .

No part of M @-@ 189 is listed on the National Highway System . In 2009 , the Michigan Department of Transportation conducted a survey to determine the traffic volume along the highway , reported using a metric called average annual daily traffic (AADT) . The department determined that 421 vehicles a day used the highway south of the junction with CR 442 near Indian Lake State Park while 245 vehicles used remainder of the highway on average .

= = History = =

The Michigan State Highway Department (MSHD) designated M @-@ 149 along a gravel road in late 1930 ; the highway provided access from US 2 northerly to Palms Book State Park . A second highway , the first creation of M @-@ 125 , was formed later in 1931 along another gravel road to connect US 2 southerly with the Thompson State Fish Hatchery . When US 2 was rerouted in the Manistique area in 1936 , that highway was moved further south closer to Lake Michigan ; M @-@ 149 was extended eastward along a section of the paved highway formerly a part of US 2 to connect with M @-@ 125 at the Indian Lake State Park . From that point south , M @-@ 149 replaced M @-@ 125 to Thompson . The former routing of US 2 became CR 442 except for the section used to extend M @-@ 149 . In the latter half of 1960 or the beginning of 1961 , the MSHD paved the sections of M @-@ 149 north and south of the former US 2 segment , completely hard @-@ surfacing the roadway for the first time .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Schoolcraft County .