

= M @-@ 31 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 31 was a state trunkline highway in the Lower Peninsula in the US state of Michigan . It generally ran north from Port Huron along the Lake Huron shoreline through The Thumb region before turning inland . The highway crossed The Thumb and then ran along the Saginaw Bay shoreline before running inland again , terminating at Saginaw . It was one of the original state highways signposted in 1919 , but it was renumbered as other highways in 1926 , decommissioning the designation in the process .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 31 started at M @-@ 21 in Port Huron and ran northward along the Lake Huron shoreline . Along the way , it intersected the western terminus of M @-@ 46 before reaching Harbor Beach . In town , the original M @-@ 27 merged in from the north , and M @-@ 27 / M @-@ 31 ran concurrently westward , turning inland . The two highways separated north of Ruth as M @-@ 27 turned southward . M @-@ 31 continued across The Thumb through Bad Axe , where it ran concurrently with M @-@ 19 in town . The highway carried on westward through Elkton and Pigeon to Bay Port . Once there , the trunkline turned southwesterly to follow along part of the Saginaw Bay . The road passed through Sebawaing to Unionville before turning back inland . Running southward to Akron , the highway turned alternately westward and southward to Fairgrove . M @-@ 31 next ran west along Bradleyville Road to a connection with M @-@ 81 ; the two highways ran concurrently south through Gilford before M @-@ 31 separated and turned back westward through Reese to Saginaw . The northern terminus in downtown Saginaw was at an intersection with what was then M @-@ 10 .

= = History = =

When the state highway system was first signed in 1919 , M @-@ 31 was one of the original trunklines , originally running northward from Port Huron to Harbor Beach and then westward to Saginaw . When the U.S. Highway System was approved on November 11 , 1926 , M @-@ 31 was decommissioned in favor of alternate numbers . From Port Huron north to Harbor Beach , M @-@ 29 was extended as a replacement . The segment west to Bay Port was renumbered M @-@ 83 while from Bad Axe west it was also additionally part of M @-@ 29 to Unionville . The remainder was numbered M @-@ 84 from Unionville to Reese , and M @-@ 81 from Reese to Saginaw .

= = Major intersections = =