M @-@ 88 is a state trunkline highway in the U.S. state of Michigan . It runs between US Highway 31 ( US 31 ) and US 131 / M @-@ 66 in the Lower Peninsula . Running from Mancelona to Eastport , M @-@ 88 also goes through the communities of Bellaire and Central Lake . The highway is completely within Antrim County and is known by the street name of " Scenic Highway " outside of the various communities along its routing .

M @-@ 88 is an original trunkline dating back to the 1919 signing of the state system . An extension in the 1920s and paving in the late 1930s created the highway as it exists today . The highway was not listed on the National Highway System , nor is it included in the Lake Michigan Circle Tour .

## = = Route description = =

M @-@ 88 starts in the community of Eastport at an intersection four blocks east of the Grand Traverse Bay of Lake Michigan next to Barnes County Park . From its start , it runs east along the northern end of Torch Lake . M @-@ 88 zig @-@ zags south and east along Scenic Highway to the community of Central Lake . In Central Lake it runs south along Main Street , following the western shore of Intermediate Lake . South of Intermediate Lake , M @-@ 88 crosses the Intermediate River on a historic designation @-@ eligible Depression @-@ era bridge along Bridge Street in Bellaire . This section of M @-@ 88 is just west of the Antrim County Airport before the highway turns east on Cayuga Street in downtown and south on Division Street . The Bellaire section of the trunkline is the location of the highest traffic levels along the highway . The Michigan Department of Transportation ( MDOT ) measures the annual average daily traffic ( AADT ) in traffic surveys . The 2007 survey showed that 5 @,@ 200 vehicles used the section of roadway on the average day in Bellaire .

South of Bellaire , M @-@ 88 passes the Chief Golf Course and the Legend , Summit and Bellaire golf clubs . M @-@ 88 crosses the Shanty Creek , which is the namesake of a resort in the area . South of the Bellaire Golf Club , M @-@ 88 turns eastward again , passing south of Schuss Mountain , another resort . This section of trunkline is used by 3 @,@ 300 vehicles in the 2007 AADT survey . Past Schuss Mountain , M @-@ 88 turns east at Alden highway and enters the community of Mancelona , passing the Fairview Cemetery . The highway runs along on State Street into downtown . M @-@ 88 ends at an intersection with US 131 / M @-@ 66 running along Williams Street , and State Street continues eastward as C @-@ 38 .

## = = History = =

M @-@ 88 was first designated by July 1 , 1919 along its current routing between Mancelona and Bellaire . It was extended in 1927 through Central Lake to end in Eastport . It was used as a temporary routing of US 31 between Eastport and Bellaire while the Elk Rapids to Eastport section of US 31 was reconstructed . The first sections of roadway were paved near Bellaire in late 1936 . Paving was completed on the entire highway by late 1940 No changes have been made to the highway since . None of the highway was added to the National Highway System , a system of strategically important highways .

## = = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Antrim County.