

= M @-@ 227 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 227 is a 6 @. @ 834 @-@ mile (10 @. @ 998 km) north ? south state trunkline highway in the U.S. state of Michigan . It consists largely of a segment of old U.S. Highway 27 (US 27) along the south and west sides of Marshall . The highway passes the airport and serves an industrial section of town north of the Kalamazoo River . M @-@ 227 was created as a part of a program to add additional routes into the state 's highway system under the leadership of Governor John Engler .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 227 starts at a diamond interchange with Interstate 69 (I @-@ 69) at exit 32 between Tekonsha and Marshall . From I @-@ 69 , M @-@ 227 runs east on F Drive South north of Pine and Long lakes for approximately one mile (1 @. @ 6 km) . The highway runs through agricultural land and turns north to follow Old US 27 / 17 Mile Road . At Division Drive , M @-@ 227 passes into Marshall on Kalamazoo Avenue . The highway runs past the Brooks Field airport and the Alwin Downs Golf Course . Kalamazoo Avenue crosses the Kalamazoo River , and M @-@ 227 turns west along Industrial Road . This section of town is an industrial park , and M @-@ 227 curves north onto West Drive , crossing the Norfolk Southern Railroad . The northern terminus is BL I @-@ 94 (Michigan Avenue) on the west side of Marshall , near I @-@ 69 . It lies only within Calhoun County and is entirely an undivided surface route .

Like other state highways in Michigan , M @-@ 227 is maintained by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) . In 2011 , the department 's traffic surveys showed that on average , 8 @. @ 408 vehicles used the highway daily in Marshall south of Industrial Dive and 1 @, @ 862 vehicles did so each day along F Drive , the highest and lowest counts along the highway , respectively . No section of M @-@ 227 is listed on the National Highway System , a network of roads important to the country 's economy , defense , and mobility .

= = History = =

Before the completion of I @-@ 69 near Marshall in late 1967 , US 27 followed 17 Mile Road and Kalamazoo Avenue into Marshall . That routing was turned back to local control after the completion of I @-@ 69 to I @-@ 94 . M @-@ 227 came into existence nearly 35 years after the completion of I @-@ 69 in southern Michigan and , except for the section of old US 27 , was long a collection of unnumbered local surface roads . It was designated as a part of Governor John Engler 's Rationalization program on October 1 , 1998 and first signed in 2001 .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Calhoun County .