

= M @-@ 84 ( Michigan highway ) =

M @-@ 84 is a state trunkline highway in the Lower Peninsula of the US state of Michigan . The highway starts on the west side of Saginaw at an intersection with M @-@ 58 and runs north through residential and commercial areas . There are two colleges or universities near the trunkline as it connects Saginaw with Bay City , providing an alternate to the freeway that carries Interstate 75 / US Highway 23 ( I @-@ 75 / US 23 ) . The northern terminus is at a pair of intersections with M @-@ 25 on the east side of the Saginaw River in Bay City .

There have been two other highways to bear the M @-@ 84 moniker . The first was one in the Upper Peninsula and the second was in The Thumb area . The current highway was originally part of M @-@ 47 until that road was relocated onto what was formerly US 10 in the Tri @-@ Cities area . Since the 1960s reuse of the number , M @-@ 84 has been extended in the 1970s to replace part of Business Loop I @-@ 75 ( BL I @-@ 75 , now Business Spur I @-@ 75 , BS I @-@ 75 ) in Bay City . Other projects have reconstructed and widened the roadway through the Bay City area in the early 21st century .

= = Route description = =

M @-@ 84 begins at M @-@ 58 in a residential area on the west side of Saginaw heading due north on Bay Street . At this point , it is five lanes , with two lanes in each direction and a center turn lane . The highway enters Saginaw Township as Bay Road and serves as a major artery in the area , passing the Fashion Square Mall and several other shopping centers and major retail stores near Tittabawassee Road . The main entrance to Saginaw Valley State University is located on M @-@ 84 at Pierce Road just south of the Saginaw ? Bay county line .

North of the line , the highway follows West Side Saginaw Road through fields in a less urbanized area . West of University Center and the campus of Delta College , M @-@ 84 crosses over I @-@ 75 / US 23 at exit 160 and proceeds through several curves into Bay City . At the intersection with Euclid Avenue on the city line , M @-@ 13 merges in from the north and the two highways run concurrently along Salzburg Avenue . Since this segment of highway is both northbound M @-@ 84 and southbound M @-@ 13 along eastbound Salzburg Avenue , the two trunklines form a wrong @-@ way concurrency .

M @-@ 13 / M @-@ 84 crosses the west channel of the Saginaw River near the Ted Putz Nature Area to Middle Ground island . The highway continues over the east channel on the Lafayette Avenue Bridge , a drawbridge , to Lafayette Avenue on the eastern bank of the river . At the intersection with Broadway Street , M @-@ 13 turns southward , and M @-@ 84 continues eastward two more blocks . Turning north on Garfield Street , the highway runs parallel to the river through a residential area . North of the 14th Street intersection , Garfield Street curves northeasterly into Washington Avenue , passing to the east of an industrial complex on the river . At the intersection with McKinley Street , a one @-@ way street , M @-@ 84 meets the eastbound direction of M @-@ 25 and BS I @-@ 75 . One block north , M @-@ 84 terminates at the intersection with 7th Street , which carries westbound M @-@ 25 and BS I @-@ 75 ; both intersections also mark BS I @-@ 75 's terminus immediately east of the Veterans Memorial Bridge .

The Michigan Department of Transportation ( MDOT ) maintains M @-@ 84 like other state highways in Michigan . As a part of these maintenance responsibilities , the department tracks the volume of traffic that uses the roadways under its jurisdiction . These volumes are expressed using a metric called annual average daily traffic , which is a statistical calculation of the average daily number of vehicles on a segment of roadway . MDOT 's surveys in 2010 showed that the highest traffic level along M @-@ 84 was 26 @, @ 408 vehicles daily in Saginaw ; the lowest count was 8 @, @ 405 vehicles per day on Washington Street in Bay City . Two sections of M @-@ 84 have been listed on the National Highway System ; the section from the southern terminus north to Tittabawassee Road in the Saginaw area , and from the I @-@ 75 / US 23 interchange north to M @-@ 25 in the Bay City area . The system is a network of roads important to the country 's economy

, defense , and mobility .

= = History = =

The first M @-@ 84 in Michigan was in the Upper Peninsula starting in 1919 ; the highway ran from Garnet to McLeods Corner , southeast of Newberry , following the current Borgstrom Road in Mackinac County and County Road 393 in Luce County . The highway was replaced by an extension of M @-@ 48 in 1926 . The M @-@ 84 designation was then immediately reused for a section of the former M @-@ 31 in The Thumb ; it ran from M @-@ 81 near Reese running through Fairgrove and Akron to M @-@ 29 at Unionville . This iteration was replaced by M @-@ 83 in 1930 .

The I @-@ 75 / US 10 / US 23 freeway was completed between Saginaw and Bay City in late 1960 or early 1961 ; M @-@ 47 was relocated to the former US 10 between Saginaw and Midland , and M @-@ 84 was redesignated along the former M @-@ 47 between M @-@ 81 at Saginaw and the freeway in Bay City . A new BL I @-@ 75 was created at the same time along the former M @-@ 47 in Bay City . This business loop would be split in half in 1971 resulting in a new business spur ; M @-@ 84 was extended over the southern section between M @-@ 25 and I @-@ 75 / US 10 / US 23 .

A reconstruction project in 2004 ? 05 resulted in the roadway being widened to four lanes between Pierce Road in Kochville Township of Saginaw County and Delta Road in Frankenlust Township in Bay County . The 2009 reconstruction resulted in new bridges over I @-@ 75 and widening of the road from Delta Road to 2 Mile Road . Additional construction scheduled for 2011 resulted in the widening of the road from 2 Mile to Euclid .

= = Major intersections = =