

= M @-@ 155 (Michigan highway) =

M @-@ 155 was a signed state trunkline in the US state of Michigan that served as a spur route from Business Loop Interstate 96 (BL I @-@ 96) in Howell in Livingston County to the Hillcrest Center , the former Howell State Hospital . It was originally designated in the early 1930s and outlasted the hospital which closed in 1982 . The roadway was removed from state maps after 1991 but remains under state maintenance as an unsigned trunkline listed as either M @-@ 155 or Old M @-@ 155 .

= = Route description = =

OLD M @-@ 155 begins in front of the former state hospital on High Hillcrest Drive and runs north and northwesterly through a field and out of the property . The road passes some houses in the area as it curves onto Country Farm Road next to Sanatorium Lake , turning northward . From there , the trunkline follows Country Farm Road to Norton Road through Marion Township . The trunkline follows Norton Road east over the South Branch of the Shiawassee River and then northeasterly past a residential subdivision . OLD M @-@ 155 then turns due east on Mason Road , running along the Marion ? Howell township line before crossing into the city of Howell next to I @-@ 96 . There is no interchange for the unsigned trunkline as it crosses over the freeway . The trunkline runs through more residential subdivisions before it turns northward onto Michigan Avenue . After one @-@ half mile (0 @.@ 80 km) , the trunkline terminates at the intersection with BL I @-@ 96 (Grand River Avenue) in downtown Howell .

As the highway is still under state jurisdiction , M @-@ 155 is maintained by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) . In 2011 , the department 's traffic surveys showed that on average , 13 @,@ 699 vehicles used the highway daily in Howell and 3 @,@ 960 vehicles did so each day near the souther terminus , the highest and lowest counts along the highway , respectively . No section of OLD M @-@ 155 is listed on the National Highway System , a network of roads important to the country 's economy , defense , and mobility .

= = History = =

The Michigan State Sanatorium was opened on September 1 , 1907 , to treat adult patients with tuberculosis . Children were later treated there starting in 1915 . After 1955 the hospital also handled patients with mental illnesses . In 1961 the sanatorium became the Howell State Hospital , and later the Hillcrest Center in 1978 . The facility operated until September 30 , 1982 , when it was closed. and the building finally demolished a few years after . M @-@ 155 was designated in 1931 ; it began at the hospital and ran to a junction with US Highway 16 (modern BL I @-@ 96) in Howell . After the hospital was abandoned , the trunkline designation remained on the road , serving a field . The designation last appeared on official state maps in 1991 . The highway remains an unsigned trunkline .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire highway is in Livingston County .