

Ministry of Highways

2022-23 Budget Highlights

The 2022-23 Highways budget of \$846 million invests in Saskatchewan's highways and roads to protect the driving public, build Saskatchewan highways and grow our economy.

With this year's budget, the Government of Saskatchewan has invested roughly \$11.5 billion in highways infrastructure since 2008, improving more than 18,400 kilometres of Saskatchewan highways.

This year's budget

- Improves more than 1,100 km of provincial highways, the third year of our 10-year Growth Plan goal to build and upgrade 10,000 kilometres of highways.
 - Planned delivery over the first three years is more than 3,500 km, well ahead of the pace needed to meet our target.
- Provides \$453 million for capital projects.

Major Projects Improving Safety, Increasing Capacity and Supporting the Plan for Growth

- Improvements to strategic transportation corridors around the province.
 - Continuing construction and design of passing lanes and twinning projects to increase safety and improve traffic flow, including:
 - Twinning Highway 3 to nearly eight kilometres west of Prince Albert;
 - Completing 10 sets of passing lanes on Highways 12 and 16;
 - Two sets of passing lanes to complete multi-year corridor improvements on Highway 7 from Saskatoon to the Saskatchewan-Alberta border;
 - Two sets of passing lanes and widening on Highway 5 – Saskatoon to Humboldt; and,
 - Planning and pre-construction for twinning projects on Highways 6 and 39 near Regina and Weyburn.

Enhancing Road Safety

- Continue to implement the road safety strategy to reduce fatalities and injuries from collisions. The strategy is focused on intersections, dark driving conditions, single vehicles running off the road and collisions with wildlife.
 - Invest \$12.4 million towards the fourth year of the ministry's 5-year \$65 million enhanced intersection commitment.
 - \$6.8 million for spot improvements through the Safety Improvement Program.
- Deliver the pavement marking program to provide visible pavement lines for the safe flow of traffic.
- Deliver the signing stewardship program to rehabilitate, replace and install new signs to keep the overall condition of the approximately 120,000 regulatory, warning, guide and information signs on the provincial network in good condition.

- Deliver the mowing program, which will achieve approximately 42,000 hectares of mowing along highway right of ways.

Repairing and Upgrading Highways, Bridges and Culverts

- Improving over 1,100 km of highways, including:
 - 170 km of repaving;
 - 550 km of pavement sealing;
 - 100 km of medium treatments, like micro surfacing;
 - 15 km of gravel rehabilitation;
 - 200 km of Thin Membrane Surface and rural highway upgrades, including 160 km delivered through stimulus funding; and,
 - 67 km of passing lanes.
- Investing \$62.7 million to build, operate and maintain highways and airports in northern Saskatchewan.
- \$55.2 million to repair or rebuild 15 bridges and replace 100 culverts across the province.

Municipal and Regional Transportation Infrastructure

- \$22.5 million to support economic growth and safety on rural municipal roads, including \$7.5 million through stimulus.
- \$6.6 million for construction and maintenance partnerships with urban municipalities.
- \$850,000 to support community airport improvements with matching funds to support a \$1.7 million investment.
- \$530,000 for shortline railways to maintain and upgrade their networks.