

Ministry of Highways

2024-25 Budget Highlights

The 2024-25 Highways budget of \$741 million invests in road safety while improving key transportation corridors to continue to meet the growing needs of Saskatchewan families and communities.

With this year's budget, the Government of Saskatchewan has invested more than \$13.0 billion in transportation infrastructure since 2008, improving more than 20,700 kilometres of highways across the province.

This Year's Budget

- Improves more than 1,100 kilometres of provincial highways, the fifth year of our 10-year Growth Plan goal to build and upgrade 10,000 kilometres of highways.
 - Planned delivery over the first five years is more than 5,900 kilometres, well ahead of the pace needed to meet our target.
- Provides \$404 million for capital projects.

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

- Improvements to strategic transportation corridors around the province.
 - Invest \$56.5 million to continue multi-year projects that increase safety and improve traffic flow, including:
 - Twinning and passing lane improvements on Highways 6 and 39; and
 - Corridor improvements on Highway 5 east of Saskatoon.

Enhancing Road Safety

- Improvements that reduce fatalities and injuries, to continue building on our recently completed five-year \$100 million safety investment.
 - Invest \$17.6 million through the Safety Improvement Program for improvements to intersections, guardrails, lighting and other assets.
- Investments in Road Safety and Traffic Guidance programs, including:
 - Delivering the pavement marking program to provide visible pavement lines for the safe flow of traffic;
 - Delivering the signing stewardship program to rehabilitate, replace and install new signs to keep the overall condition of the approximately 124,000 regulatory, warning, guide and information signs on the provincial network in good condition; and
 - Delivering the mowing program, which will achieve approximately 43,500 hectares of mowing along highway right of ways.

Repairing and Upgrading Highways, Bridges and Culverts

- Improving over 1,100 km of highways, including:
 - 260 km of repaving, including;
 - Hwy 1 – East of Grenfell (30 km)
 - Hwy 2 – South of Meacham (19 km)
 - Hwy 8 – South of Spy Hill (15 km)
 - Hwy 9 – South of Qu'Appelle Valley (15 km)
 - Hwy 16 – East of Yorkton (23 km)
 - Hwy 16 – East of Radisson (19 km)
 - Hwy 20 – North of Craven (14 km)
 - Hwy 39 – NW of Milestone (12 km)
 - Hwy 55 – East of Nipawin (27 km)
 - Hwy 397 – North of Allan (12 km)
 - Sylvite Mine Access Road NE of Rocanville (15 km)
 - 365 km of medium treatments, like micro surfacing;
 - 400 km of pavement sealing;
 - 58 km of Thin Membrane Surface and rural highway upgrades; and
 - 25 km of gravel rehabilitation.
- Investing \$73.5 million to build, operate and maintain highways and airports in northern Saskatchewan.
- Investing an additional \$6 million for the maintenance and preservation of paved highways.
- \$59.3 million to repair or rebuild 17 bridges and roughly 100 culverts across the province.

Municipal and Regional Transportation Infrastructure

- Investing \$29.5 million to support municipal and industry partners making strategic transportation investments, including:
 - \$17.4 million to support economic growth and safety on rural municipal roads, including increases of \$1 million for capital projects and \$1.4 million to operate and maintain corridors for heavy trucks;
 - \$8.6 million for construction and maintenance partnerships with urban municipalities, including an increase of \$2 million for capital projects;
 - \$2.2 million for truck route agreements and other municipal partnerships;
 - \$850,000 to support community airport improvements with matching funds to support a \$1.7 million investment; and
 - \$530,000 for shortline railways to maintain and upgrade their networks.