

ROUTE 3X WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1979

- 1970/72 In consultation with the municipality, the Province selected a North route.
- 1973 To avoid developed areas north of Coleman, the municipality requested a route through town or a South Route.
- 1974 Province initiated Environmental Planning Study to examine North and South corridors.
- 1975 Municipality endorsed a South Route.
- 1976 Environmental Planning Study concluded a South Route was superior.
- 1977 Province endorsed a South Route.
- Since 1977, 20 of the Pass* 32 km of Highway 3 were reconstructed in their final location, as the first two of the ultimate four lanes.
- 1979 Province gazetted the Highway 3X South Route. 25% of the alignment was subsequently acquired.
- 1982 Municipality requested that the North Route be reconsidered, further north than 1972 option.
- 1984 Province found that a more northerly route would climb too high above Coleman.
- 1986 Province agreed to property trades with local mining and oil industries along the previously proposed Highway 3X route.
- 1993 Province consolidated the background and technical strategy for the South Route.
- 2003 Province agreed to the municipality*s request to re-evaluate the strategy for upgrading Highway 3 passing Coleman to Sentinel.