

July 3, 2026

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

OBJECTIVE

The twinning of Highway 3 will expand the highway's capacity, enhance safety, accommodate future growth, support economic development in Southern Alberta, and increase the efficient movement of goods and people.

Work on this section of the highway involves twinning a 54 km stretch from Taber to Burdett including construction of a new 8 km, four-lane divided highway bypassing Grassy Lake. It includes:

- 11 bridge-sized structures
- Intersection improvements
    - Acceleration/deceleration lanes
    - Intersection widening
- 2 rest area pullouts – one westbound and one eastbound
- 10 service roads
- 1 bulk water fill station relocation

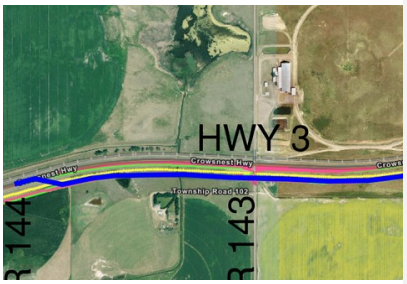
FAST FACTS

- 2,813,400 cubic metres of grading work

- 1,044,300 tonnes of granular base
- 475,000 tonnes of asphalt concrete pavement
- 802 new signs
- 38 km of right-of-way fencing
- 30 new streetlight installations

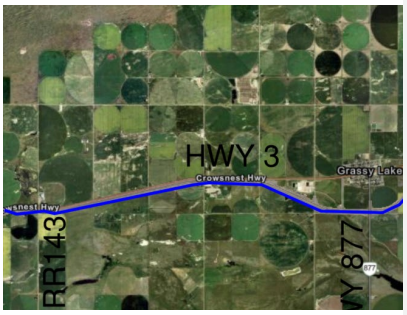
This project is anticipated to be completed in Fall, 2026.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

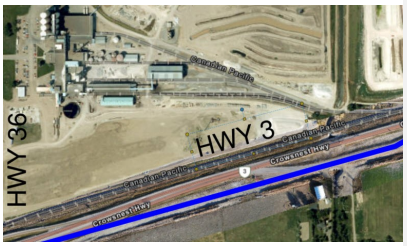


Traffic Detours

- RR 143 detour was opened on **September 10th** and is expected to be in place until the middle of **July 2026.**



- Future 14 km detour expected to open in the middle of July around Grassy Lake to complete the removal of sections of existing HWY 3 along RR 135 and RR 132. The detour will bypass Grassy Lake using the new eastbound lane of the highway for both east and west traffic. An additional notice letter will be sent out before the detour is opened.



- HWY 36 detour expected to open in the middle of July to complete concrete median work. The detour will be used to complete concrete median work east of the HWY 36 intersection. An additional notice letter will be sent out before the detour is opened.

Speed Reductions and Road Closures

- Construction activities are ongoing from RR 150 and RR 131 to RR 121. Expect speed reductions and short-term closures during intersection improvement work.
- HWY 877 speed reduction will be in place for the remainder of the Project to accommodate construction of the new HWY 3 intersection.
- RR 132 between HWY 3 and TWP 102 will remain closed until fall 2026. Grading crews will complete the remaining of this work once the Grassy Lake Detour is in place.

PROGRESS TO DATE

For a detailed map of the locations referenced in this email, see the **HWY 3 Twinning Map**.
For more information on previous project updates, refer to the **HWY 3 Project Website**.

Grading

- **91% Completed**
- Mainline Grading completed from RR 163 to RR 132.
- Topsoil and seeding completed from RR 163 to RR 144 and RR 142 to RR 132.

Gravel

- **80% Completed**
- Mainline gravel base course completed from RR 163 to RR 132.

Paving

- **62% Completed**
- All 3 lifts completed from RR 163 to HWY 877.
- 1st and 2nd lift completed from HWY 877 to RR 132.

Utilities

- **100% Completed**
- 19 Pipeline crossings and lowerings completed.
- 46 km of communications relocations completed.
- 28km of power relocations completed.

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- **100% Completed**
- 11 canal bridge structures completed.
- 11 pipelines and laterals completed.

ONGOING WORK

- Grading crews are working on the RR 150 north intersection and service road, RR 125 and RR 122 intersection improvements.
- Main alignment grading crews are working from RR 130 to RR 125, and RR 121 to the end of the project tie-in west of RR 120.
- Gravel crews are working on the main alignment from RR 132 to RR 131, RR 143 detour, and Taber tie-in location between HWY 36 and RR 163.
- Paving crews are working on top lift asphalt from RR 163 to RR 132.

PROJECT OVERVIEW PHOTOS



Grading Crews Working on Intersection Improvements on the North Side of RR 150



Grading Crews Installing Median Culvert at RR 124



Gravel Crews Working on 1st Lift of Base at Taber Tie-in Location



Paving Final Lift of Asphalt Between RR 161 and 160

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1-MONTH LOOK AHEAD

- Grading crews completing RR 150 north intersection and service road, completing RR 125 and 122 intersection improvements. Finishing subgrade from RR 130 to RR 121. Grassy Lake By-pass tie-ins at RR 135 and RR 132. Placing topsoil and seeding from RR 132 to RR 121.
- Gravel crews completing RR 143 detour area and Taber tie-in. Completing mainline from RR 132 to RR 130. Starting on RR 150 north intersection improvement. Continue working east from RR 130
- Paving crews completing all remaining toplift pavement from RR 132 to Taber tie-in. Completing RR 143 detour and and RR 150 north intersection improvement. Crews to continue working east from RR 132.
- Ancillary works to start at the concrete curb and gutter in Taber. Sign installations to start for the first half of the Project. Milling Grassy Lake tie-in locations and Taber tie-in, fence installations, completing intersection lighting at HWY 36, RR 160, RR 155, RR 153, RR 150, RR 143, EB pull out, and RR132.
- Ongoing dewatering and erosion repairs throughout the project limits from recent heavy and sustained rainfalls.

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