

# Manitoba Update

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National Task Force on Vehicle Weights  
and Dimensions Meeting

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# Strategic Highway Initiative

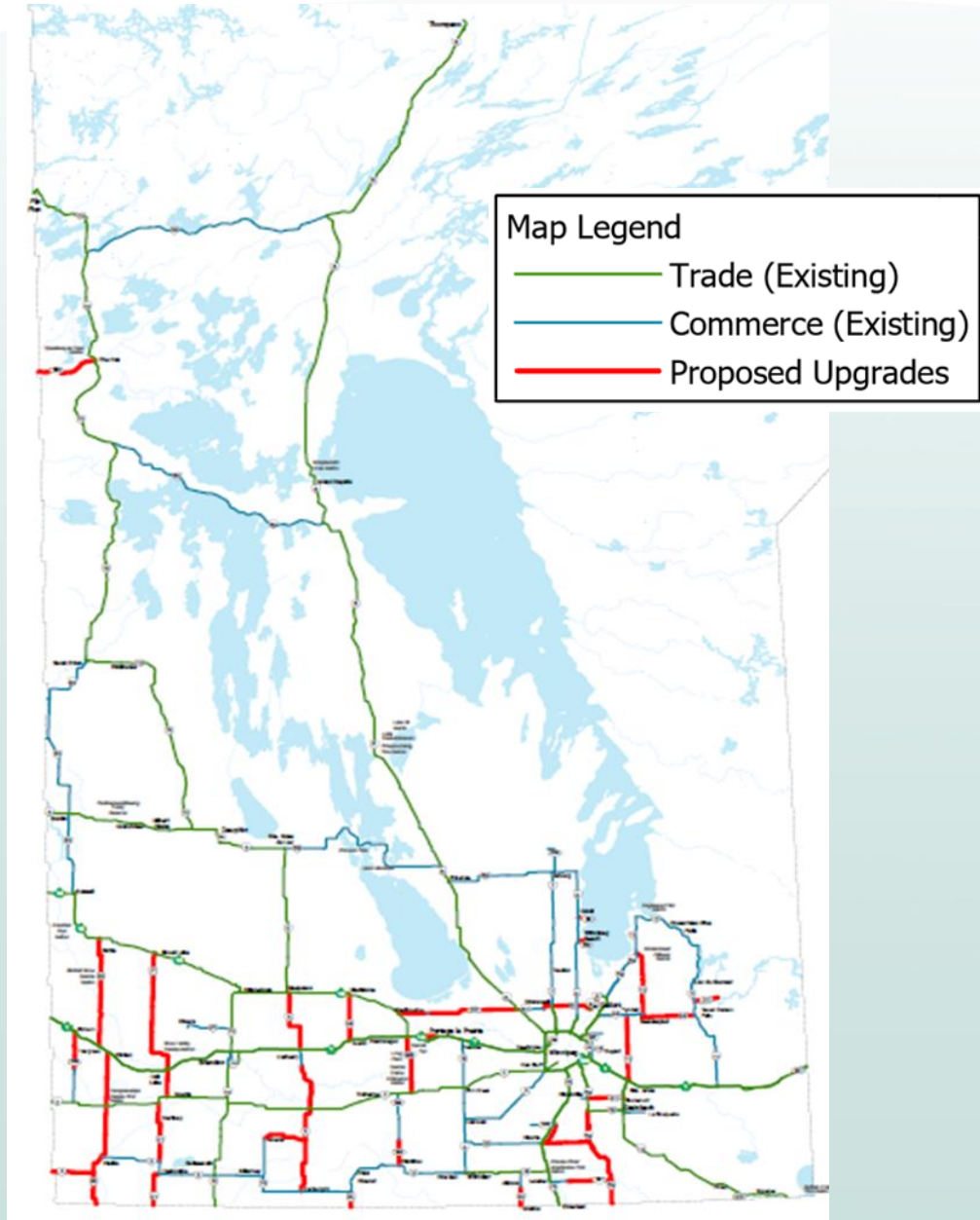
- Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure is working on a multiyear strategy to improve trade and commerce transport across the province.
- To achieve this, we have identified a grid of **Trade** and **Commerce** routes that are being considered to support **RTAC loading**.
  - **Trade** routes support interprovincial or international goods movement.
  - **Commerce** routes support goods movement within the province.
  - **RTAC loading** is based on a national standard for highway truck weights; RTAC is Manitoba's heaviest regulated loading classification.

## Strategic Highway Initiative (Cont'd)

- The multi-year strategy for the Trade & Commerce grid is illustrated in the following map.
- Trade routes (**green**) and Commerce routes (**teal**) form the grid.
- ~6,000 km of the grid already support RTAC loading.
- The remaining ~1,000 km are **red** to show where loading upgrades are proposed.
- When completed, the grid of Trade & Commerce routes will represent 36.5% of Manitoba's all-weather provincial road network.

# Trade & Commerce Grid

Long Term Strategy



# Regulatory Amendments

- Manitoba is working towards regulatory amendments on the following;
  - Weight concession for Auxillary Power Unit.
  - Length exemptions for auxiliary items.

## Regulatory Amendments (Cont'd)

- RV – 5th Wheel Trailers
  - An amendment to allow longer lengths for 5th wheel RV's is in progress.
  - Manitoba has allowed the increased RV lengths by Ministerial Order, until the regulation can be amended.

# Rest Stops/Wayside Rest Areas

- There is a limited availability of wayside rest areas in some parts of Manitoba, particularly for northern travel.
- Manitoba has no plans to expand the use of public wayside rest areas at this time.
- Manitoba will work with private and local interests, when approached, to discuss wayside rest areas.

# Thank You

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