



**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.