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## Highways 16 and 16X Renumbered to Provide Greater Consistency

Edmonton . . . Travellers heading west of Edmonton to the Lake Eden junction on the former Highway 16 or Highway 16X may do a double take when they read the familiar highway signs only to find that they are now travelling instead on Highway 16A or the new Highway 16.

The main business and commuter route has been renumbered Highway 16A. Highway 16X, which is largely a tourist route, now becomes Highway 16 so that the entire through route west of Edmonton will be numbered Highway 16 making it clearer for travellers on the Trans-Canada Yellowhead.

Parkland County, the City of Spruce Grove, the Town of Stony Plain and the Yellowhead Highway Association supported the highway renumbering and in addition asked the province to name Highway 16A the Parkland Highway. Signs on both highways will continue to identify them as part of the Trans-Canada Yellowhead route. In addition, signs on Highway 16A will identify it as the Parkland Highway.

Highway 16A primarily serves business and commuter traffic while the new Highway 16 provides direct access for tourist traffic. The highways are both linked to the North-South Trade Corridor which runs west of, and through, Grande Prairie in Northwestern Alberta and south through Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge to Coutts at the United States border.

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