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National Scenic Byways Program



The National Scenic Byways Program is part of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. Established in [Title 23, Section 162 of the United States Code](#) under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 and reauthorized and expanded significantly in 1998 under TEA-21 and again under [SAFETEA-LU](#) in 2005, the program is a grass-roots collaborative effort established to help recognize, preserve and enhance selected roads throughout the United States.

FHWA's May 18, 1995 interim policy ([PDF](#), [Text](#)) provides the criteria for the National Scenic Byways Program. This policy sets forth the procedures for the designation by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation of certain roads as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on their archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational, and scenic qualities. There are 150 such designated byways in 46 states. FHWA promotes the collection as America's Byways®. This policy also specifies the type of projects eligible for funding and lists the funding priority for grants.

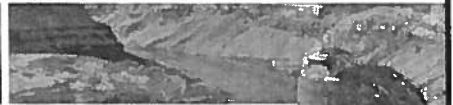
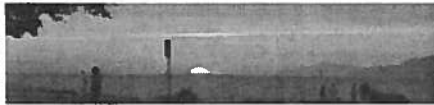


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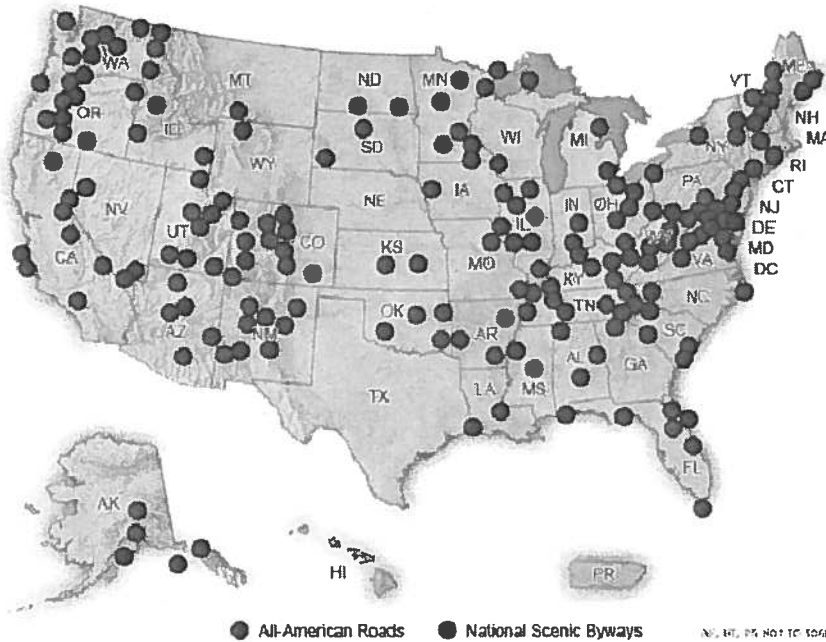
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America's Byways are gateways to adventures where no two experiences are the same. The National Scenic Byways Program invites you to **Come Closer to America's heart and soul...**

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About America's Byways

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What are America's Byways®?



America's Byways® is the umbrella term we use for marketing the collection of 150 distinct and diverse roads designated by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. America's Byways include the National Scenic Byways and All-American Roads.

Our definition of "scenic" reaches beyond breathtaking vistas. All of America's Byways® are "scenic", representing the depth and breadth of scenery in America—natural and man-made panoramas; electrifying neon landscapes; ancient and modern history coming alive; native arts and culture; and scenes of friends, families and strangers sharing their stories.

America's Byways® are gateways to adventures where no two experiences are the same. The Federal Highway Administration invites you to come closer to America!

How can I get more information?

Unfortunately, we are only able to provide the travel and tourism information already available on this site, and do not have any further specific travel or tourism information.

For traffic and road closure information, please visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/trafficinfo/>.

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Mohawk Towpath Byway (New York)

Visit New York's historic canal system and see the locks and bridges that made canal transport possible for almost two centuries. The Mohawk Towpath Byway links scenic, recreational, and historic resources. Architecture from the 18th and 19th centuries endures, as do the landscape and the perseverance of the canal builders.



Great Lakes Seaway Trail (New York, Pennsylvania)

The Great Lakes Seaway Trail byway parallels the St. Lawrence Seaway and Great Lakes in New York and Pennsylvania. This adventure includes Niagara Falls; 1000 Islands; 29 lighthouses; War of 1812, farm, and nature sites; welcoming harbors, world-class sportfishing, bridges/ferries to/from Canada, and the Seaway Trail Discovery Center.



Lakes to Locks Passage (New York)

Midway between Manhattan and Montreal, the Lakes to Locks Passage lets you experience the interconnected waterway that shaped the destiny of North America. By bike, foot, boat, train, or car, you will discover charming small cities, rural landscapes and Adirondack hamlets with diverse historic, natural, cultural, and recreational sites.