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WASHINGTON – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) officials today announced 49 new designations to the America's Byways® collection, including 15 All-American Roads (AAR) and 34 National Scenic Byways (NSB) in 28 states. This increases the number of America's Byways® to 184 in 48 states.

"Through their many unique qualities, each of these new additions to the National Scenic Byways program helps America's roads tell our national story," said FHWA Executive Director Tom Everett. "These special routes offer travelers exciting new opportunities to explore the nation, from coast to coast or close to home."

Created in 1991, the program is a collaborative effort to help recognize, preserve and enhance selected roads throughout the United States. The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) recognizes certain roads based on one or more archeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational and scenic qualities.

"Scenic roads have always been popular with travelers, and support a wide array of area businesses too," Everett added. "Whether hotels, eateries or gas stations, Scenic Byways and All-American Roads support the nation's small business community and are economic drivers for entire regions."

The "Reviving America's Scenic Byways Act of 2019," enacted in 2019, required the U.S. Transportation Secretary to solicit nominations for designation of All-American Roads and National Scenic Byways, resulting in 63 nominations. Each application was reviewed by subject-matter experts on historic preservation, design, cultural resources, and visual impacts, tourism and economic development, highway safety, federal lands, and Native American history and culture. The U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Commerce also provided input.

USDOT urges all Americans to follow CDC guidance on safe travel during the COVID-19 public health emergency and is announcing these designations now to allow local tourism boards and small businesses to prepare for when it is safe to travel freely again. The public is encouraged to explore these newly designated distinct and diverse roads once it is safe to do so.

The following are the 2021 AAR and NSB designations:

State	Name	Designation
Arkansas	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR

California	California Historic Route 66 Needles to Barstow Scenic Byway	NSB
Colorado	Scenic Highway of Legends	NSB
Colorado	Silver Thread Colorado Scenic and Historic Byway	NSB
Delaware	Delaware Bayshore Byway	NSB
Florida	A1A Scenic and Historic Coastal Byway	AAR
Florida	River of Lakes Heritage Corridor	NSB
Florida	Scenic Highway 30A	NSB
Iowa	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Iowa	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	NSB
Illinois	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Indiana	Whitewater Canal Scenic Byway	NSB
Kentucky	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Kentucky	Old Frankfort Pike Historic and Scenic Byway	NSB
Louisiana	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Louisiana	Boom or Bust Byway	NSB
Louisiana	Bayou Teche Scenic Byway	NSB
Massachusetts	The Battle Road Scenic Byway	AAR
Massachusetts	Mohawk Trail Scenic Byway	NSB

Massachusetts	Old King's Highway (Route 6A)	NSB
Maryland	Chesapeake Country	AAR
Maine	Katahdin Woods and Waters Scenic Byway	NSB
Maine	St. John Valley Cultural Byway/Fish River Scenic Byway	NSB
Maine	Bold Coast Scenic Byway	NSB
Minnesota	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Missouri	Historic Route 66 Missouri	AAR
North Carolina	Newfound Gap Road Byway	AAR
Nebraska	Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway	NSB
Nebraska	Lincoln Highway Scenic and Historic Byway	NSB
New Jersey	Western Highlands Scenic Byway	NSB
New Jersey	Bayshore Heritage Byway	NSB
New Jersey	Palisades Scenic Byway	NSB
New Jersey	Pine Barrens Byway	NSB
New Mexico	Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway - New Mexico	NSB
New York	Palisades Scenic Byway	NSB
Ohio	Hocking Hills Scenic Byway	NSB
Pennsylvania	Brandywine Valley Scenic Byway	NSB
Rhode Island	Revolutionary Heritage Byway	NSB
Tennessee	Newfound Gap Road Byway	AAR

Tennessee	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Tennessee	Sequatchie Valley Scenic Byway	NSB
Tennessee	Cumberland Historic Byway	NSB
Tennessee	Norris Freeway	NSB
Utah	Zion Scenic Byway	NSB
Washington	Cascade Loop	NSB
Wisconsin	Great River Road National Scenic Byway	AAR
Wisconsin	Door County Coastal Byway	NSB
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Lake Superior Scenic Byway	NSB
Wyoming	Flaming Gorge - Green River Basin Scenic Byway	AAR

Additional information about the America's Byways® collection can be found at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/>.