

= Forest Highway 16 =

Federal Forest Highway 16 (FFH 16) is a forest highway in the western Upper Peninsula of the US state of Michigan . This road runs through the Ottawa National Forest in Iron , Houghton and Ontonagon counties . The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has erroneously marked it as H @-@ 16 on their official state map . FFH 16 is designated by the US Forest Service (USFS) with maintenance shared by the county road commissions (ICRC , HCRC , OCRC , respectively) . Although the MDOT maps would suggest that it is a part of the County @-@ Designated Highway System (CDH system) , it is not . The three counties in question do not participate in the system , and the roadway falls in the middle of the G zone for numbering purposes .

= = Route description = =

FFH 16 starts at an intersection with County Road 436 (CR 436 , Smokey Lake Road) near Horseshoe Lake in rural Iron County 's Stambaugh Township . The roadway runs north from this location east of Smokey Lake through forest lands that are part of the Ottawa National Forest . Near Golden Lake and the Golden Lake National Forest Campground , FFH 16 and US Highway 2 (US 2) intersect . FFH 16 continues north and curves to the northwest around the end of Golden Lake . The routing of the road provides access to several more lakes in rural Iron County such as Paint , Silk and Hehe lakes , as well as an older routing of US 2 , before crossing into southern Houghton County .

In Houghton County , FFH 16 and M @-@ 28 meet in the Duncan Township community of Kenton . The former roadway turns east and runs concurrently along the latter one for approximately a quarter mile (0 @-@ 4 km) before turning northward again , leaving town near the cemetery . The forest highway tracks due north until Bob Lake . There the roadway meanders through the area near another National Forest campground and crosses into eastern Ontonagon County . FFH 16 crosses back into Houghton County one last time . Immediately after crossing the county line , the forest highway terminates at an intersection with M @-@ 38 west of the community of Nisula .

= = History = =

A new county @-@ designated highway appeared on maps for the first time in 1983 , H @-@ 16 ; it was marked as running between US 2 and M @-@ 28 only . This designation was removed in the 1985 edition of the map . The H @-@ 16 label reappeared in 1992 ; this time it was shown continuing south toward the Wisconsin state line and north to M @-@ 38 , along the routing of FFH @-@ 16 . The roadway is part of the Forest Highway System that is funded and administered by the US Forest Service and the Federal Highway Administration ; the system was created by the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1921 . The highway has never been included in the CDH system as Iron , Houghton and Ontonagon counties do not participate in the system , and the Upper Peninsula east of US 41 is the G zone , not the H zone .

= = Major intersections = =