

## = New York State Route 335 =

New York State Route 335 ( NY 335 ) is a north ? south state highway located within the town of Bethlehem in Albany County , New York , in the United States . It extends for 1 @. @ 77 miles ( 2 @. @ 85 km ) from an intersection with Feura Bush Road near the hamlet of Delmar to a junction with NY 443 in the hamlet of Elsmere . The two @- @ lane route , named Elsmere Avenue , also has an intersection with NY 32 about halfway through the route . NY 335 was assigned to its current alignment in the 1930s .

## = = Route description = =

NY 335 begins at an intersection with Feura Bush Road southeast of the hamlet of Delmar in the town of Bethlehem . Although Feura Bush Road is now NY 910A , an unsigned reference route , it was once part of NY 32 . From Feura Bush Road , NY 335 heads northward as a two @- @ lane street named Elsmere Avenue , passing several housing tracts in an otherwise open area of the town . After a half @- @ mile ( 0 @. @ 8 km ) , the route meets the Delmar Bypass , a four @- @ lane divided highway carrying NY 32 through Bethlehem . Past the bypass , NY 335 traverses dense residential neighborhoods on its way to the hamlet of Elsmere , one of several communities located along NY 443 .

In Elsmere , the route runs along the east side of Bethlehem Cemetery on its way to a junction with Kenwood Avenue , a local east ? west street that becomes NY 140 at a junction less than 1 mile ( 1 @. @ 6 km ) to the west in the adjacent hamlet of Delmar . Continuing on , NY 335 serves two more blocks of homes before passing under an overpass that once carried a Delaware and Hudson Railway line . The abandoned overpass serves as a divider between the residential section of the community and Elsmere 's central business district , where NY 335 ends at a junction with NY 443 ( Delaware Avenue ) one block north of the old railroad bridge .

## = = History = =

On May 11 , 1914 , the state of New York awarded a contract to rebuild Elsmere Avenue to state highway standards . The project cost \$ 18 @, @ 489 ( equivalent to \$ 436 @, @ 795 in 2016 ) , and the reconstructed road was added to the state highway system on October 27 , 1914 , as unsigned State Highway 1184 . It did not receive a posted designation until the 1930s , when it was designated NY 335 . At the time , the route connected to NY 32 at Feura Bush Road . In 1959 , the state of New York developed plans for the Delmar Bypass , which would intersect NY 335 a short distance north of Feura Bush Road . The Bethlehem Central Board of Education had called for a grade @- @ separated interchange between the highway and NY 335 to ensure the safety of school buses on the latter road , a major bus route ; however , the junction was ultimately built as an at @- @ grade intersection .

The Delmar Bypass was opened in December 1963 , connecting Elm Avenue in the west to U.S. Route 9W in the east . The state did not add traffic lights to any of the four intersections on the bypass as a late 1963 study indicated that the signals were unnecessary . In mid @- @ January 1964 , the Bethlehem Town Board pushed the state to add traffic lights to every intersection in the wake of several accidents and near @- @ misses at the crossings . This request was eventually granted . The Delmar Bypass did not have a signed route number until the 1970s when NY 32 was realigned to follow the highway . As a result , NY 335 no longer connected to a signed route at its south end .

## = = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Bethlehem , Albany County .