

= New York State Route 376 =

New York State Route 376 (NY 376) is a state highway located entirely within Dutchess County in the Hudson Valley region of New York in the United States . The route begins at an intersection with NY 52 in East Fishkill and passes north through Hopewell Junction and Red Oaks Mill on its way to the city of Poughkeepsie . It ends at a junction with U.S. Route 44 (US 44) and NY 55 east of the city limits in Arlington , a hamlet in the town of Poughkeepsie . NY 376 was originally designated as part of NY 39 in the mid @-@ 1920s . In the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , the East Fishkill ? Poughkeepsie portion of NY 39 was renumbered to New York State Route 202 . NY 202 was renumbered to NY 376 in 1934 to avoid numerical duplication with the new US 202 .

= = Route description = =

NY 376 begins at an intersection with NY 52 in the hamlet of East Fishkill . It proceeds north about 1 @.@ 5 miles (2 @.@ 4 km) , crossing over Fishkill Creek and continuing into the hamlet of Hopewell Junction , where it overlaps with NY 82 for 450 feet (140 m) . NY 376 leaves NY 82 and continues northwest , crossing railroad tracks and following a sharp 90 ° S @-@ curve with a 5 @-@ mile @-@ per @-@ hour (8 @.@ 0 km / h) advisory speed . Soon after , the route traverses another curve , but at 20 miles per hour (32 km / h) . After this , the speed limit returns to 45 miles per hour (72 km / h) . NY 376 passes by the Dogwood Knolls Country Club before meeting County Route 29 (CR 29) in the hamlet of Fishkill Plains , at which point NY 376 proceeds west .

Immediately after crossing from the town of East Fishkill into the town of Wappinger , NY 376 turns north at an intersection with CR 93 . It continues north for about 1 @.@ 2 miles (1 @.@ 9 km) through the hamlet of Diddell , where it turns west again towards the hamlet of New Hackensack . Here , the route meets CR 94 and CR 104 . NY 376 turns north at this intersection , running along the eastern perimeter of and providing access to the passenger terminal of Dutchess County Airport . North of the airport , NY 376 runs closely parallel to Wappinger Creek , briefly entering the town limits of La Grange before crossing the Wappinger Creek into the town of Poughkeepsie .

In the Poughkeepsie hamlet of Red Oaks Mill , NY 376 meets the eastern end of NY 113 (Spackenkill Road) and the northern end of CR 77 (Vassar Road) at the center of the community . NY 376 approaches the intersection at a 45 @-@ degree angle , resulting in a series of sharp traffic movements between the three roads ? the sharpest being the 135 @-@ degree turn between NY 376 northbound and Vassar Road southbound . Past the junction , NY 376 continues north on New Hackensack Road , the northward continuation of Vassar Road . After heading north and northwest for 2 @.@ 3 miles (3 @.@ 7 km) , NY 376 turns right onto Raymond Avenue at Vassar College . Its continuation on New Hackensack Road is known as Hooker Avenue and is designated NY 983T , an unsigned reference route , to the Poughkeepsie town / city line about 100 feet (30 m) from its junction with Cedar Avenue (known as CR 74 south of the city limits) .

NY 376 follows Raymond Avenue for about a mile (1 @.@ 6 km) to the hamlet of Arlington . Here , it meets US 44 and NY 55 , both of which follow a one @-@ way couplet along Haight Street (eastbound) and Maple Street (westbound) through the city of Poughkeepsie . In between the two streets , NY 376 intersects Main Street (CR 114) . The route ends upon intersecting westbound US 44 and NY 55 , at which point the routing of NY 376 becomes an unnumbered town road named Van Wagner Road .

= = History = =

= = = Route designation = = =

NY 376 was originally designated as part of NY 39 , a route extending from Patterson to Poughkeepsie by way of West Patterson and East Fishkill , in the mid @-@ 1920s . In the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , NY 39 was reassigned to another highway in western

New York while its former routing in the Hudson Valley was broken up into several routes . One of these was NY 202 , a new route that began in East Fishkill and ended in Poughkeepsie . The rest of NY 39 became part of NY 52 from East Fishkill to the western fringe of Patterson , and NY 311 for the rest of the routing . In 1934 , US 202 was designated by AASHO . In order to avoid a numbering conflict , NY 202 was renumbered to NY 376 .

= = = Roundabouts = = =

In 2006 , the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) converted NY 376 's intersections with the main gate of Vassar College and College Avenue into roundabouts . Both of the roundabouts replaced traffic lights . A traffic signal used to control traffic for a pedestrian crosswalk was also removed as part of their construction . Another roundabout was constructed in 2008 at Fulton and Collegeview Avenues . NYSDOT has called the installation of roundabouts a success , stating that it has significantly calmed traffic , decreased congestion and increased traffic flow .

The construction of the roundabouts was controversial from the outset . The first two roundabouts were installed by NYSDOT even though both the town and city of Poughkeepsie declared that they were opposed to the roundabouts . Additionally , the roundabouts have drawn much controversy from local residents because they remove a lane of traffic in each direction , reducing Raymond Avenue (NY 376) from a four @-@ lane road to a divided two @-@ lane boulevard and significantly altering pre @-@ existing traffic patterns . A moderate amount of traffic has diverted onto alternate local routes as a result . In response , NYSDOT installed traffic calming measures on these parallel roads prior to the construction of the Fulton Avenue roundabout .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Dutchess County .