

= North Carolina Highway 102 =

North Carolina Highway 102 (NC 102) is a 22 @. @ 3 @- @ mile @- @ long (35 @. @ 9 km) state highway running from NC 903 near Ayden to U.S. Highway 17 (US 17) between Vanceboro and Chocowinity . Most of the route is rural ; the only community it serves is Ayden .

NC 102 appeared on the first state highway map in 1924 , running from Snow Hill to Goldsboro . At its peak , the road stretched from US 17 at its current eastern terminus to US 301 north of Fayetteville . The routing from Interstate 95 (I @- @ 95) to Snow Hill was renumbered as US 13 in 1977 , and the segment of the route from its current western terminus to Snow Hill was replaced by an extension of NC 903 .

= = Route description = =

NC 102 begins at NC 903 west of Ayden . It then heads east until it reaches Ayden . After about two and a half miles (4 @. @ 2 km) , NC 102 enters Ayden , and has an intersection with NC 11 . NC 102 continues through Ayden along 3rd Street , and in the heart of Ayden crosses a CSX rail line . From there NC 102 then continues east out of Ayden still along 3rd Street . After leaving Ayden , NC 102 enters a very rural area with many farms and small forests . About a mile (1 @. @ 2 km) further east NC 102 has a junction with Ayden Golf Club Road . As NC 102 continues to the east it crosses Fork Swamp and has a junction with County Home Road (Secondary Road 1725 , or SR 1725) .

About a mile to the east (1 @. @ 3 km) the road turns to head in a southeastern direction instead of the eastern direction of most of the route . The routing along this part of the road almost parallels NC 43 to the east of the road . 3 @. @ 7 miles (6 @. @ 0 km) after the road turned in a southeastern direction . NC 102 intersects Stokestown ? St.Johns Road (SR 1753) . The road continues across Clayroot Swamp before the intersection with NC 43 . The route continues eastward from that intersection and crosses Creeping Swamp and Gorham Swamp before crossing over a railroad owned by Norfolk Southern . Immediately after NC 102 crosses the railroad tracks , it ends at US 17 .

= = History = =

NC 102 first appeared on the 1924 first official state map running from NC 10 (present day US 70 Business) to NC 12 in Snow Hill . The 1930 North Carolina state map shows that a section of NC 102 was built from NC 60 north of Fayetteville to NC 22 in Sampson County . This section was not connected to the rest of NC 102 which had also been extended south of Goldsboro to Newton Grove . By 1931 the two sections of NC 102 were connected with NC 102 running a short concurrency with NC 23 south of Newton Grove . Between 1931 and 1936 , the road was extended to its current eastern terminus at US 17 . The road had a short concurrency with US 258 from Snow Hill to three miles (4 @. @ 8 km) to the northeast . Between 1931 and 1938 , NC 102 was rerouted in Goldsboro leaving NC 102A the old route .

In 1941 , NC 102 was routed onto US 13 through Newton Grove . Around 1953 the road was routed back onto its original routing through Goldsboro , eliminating NC 102A . Between 1956 and 1957 , US 13 was extended along NC 102 from Snow Hill to US 70 east of Goldsboro . In 1958 , NC 102 was routed along a freeway around Goldsboro , along with US 70 and US 117 . Between 1958 and 1961 , NC 102 was routed onto new routing , which is currently US 13 . Between the years of 1961 and 1963 , the section of routing between US 301 and I @- @ 95 was downgraded to a secondary road . During the same time the routing between I @- @ 95 and Snow Hill was renumbered as US 13 . In 1977 , NC 102 was truncated to its current western terminus . The routing it left behind was used to extend NC 903 . The routing of NC 102 has stayed the same since 1977 .

= = Major intersections = =

= = Bannered routes = =

= = = Goldsboro alternate route = = =

North Carolina Highway 102A (NC 102A) was established between 1931 @-@ 1938 as a renumbering of NC 102 , from Chestnut Street , along George and Ash Streets , ending at Center Street . It also shared a concurrency with US 70 / NC 111 along Ash Street . By 1953 , it was decommissioned in favor of US 117 @-@ A and NC 102 .