

= Ohio State Route 257 =

State Route 257 ( SR 257 , OH 257 ) is a 26 @. @ 19 @- @ mile ( 42 @. @ 15 km ) north - south state highway in the central portion of the U.S. state of Ohio . The highway 's southern terminus is in the northwestern Columbus suburb of Dublin at a signalized intersection with U.S. Route 33 ( US 33 ) and SR 161 . This mainly two @- @ lane highway follows the eastern side of the Scioto River from Dublin to its junction with US 42 . After crossing over the river with the U.S. highway , SR 257 parallels the river 's western bank . SR 257 has its northern terminus at a T @- @ intersection with SR 47 on the western village limits of Prospect . SR 257 was created in 1926 , and extended in 1935 and 1937 .

= = Route description = =

Along its way , SR 257 travels primarily north through northwestern Franklin County , western Delaware County and the extreme southern part of Marion County , following the Scioto River for most of the way . There are no segments of SR 257 that are included within the National Highway System ( NHS ) . The NHS is a network of highways identified as being most important for the economy , mobility and defense of the nation .

SR 257 starts at the intersection of US 33 / SR 161 . The route moves north intersecting with Emerald Parkway , which is currently being built eastward . SR 257 continues north to Hard Road , and the entrance to Thaddeus Kosciuszko Park ( about 200 yards up Hard Rd . ) After crossing the Franklin ? Delaware county line , the next major junction is with SR 750 at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and the O 'Shaughnessy Dam . From here to US 42 the route follows the eastern bank of O 'Shaughnessy Reservoir . The next intersection is Seldom Seen Road . Two miles later , SR 257 meets Home Road at a traffic circle . Home Road provides access to SR 745 heading west and to Sawmill Parkway and Liberty Rd heading east .

SR 257 continues north to signaled intersection with US 42 and runs concurrently with US 42 for about 1 mile within Concord Township . The route travels southwest with US 42 across the Scioto River . At the signalized northern terminus of SR 745 the concurrency ends , as SR 257 turns north . SR 257 passes through the former communities of Bellpoint ( Concord Township ) and White Sulfur Springs Station ( Scioto Township ) on the way to intersecting with US 36 about 3 @. @ 5 miles ( 5 @. @ 6 km ) north of US 42 . Continuing north , SR 257 crosses SR 37 at a flashing red light . After nine miles , the route crosses into Marion County prior to ending at OH 47 in Prospect , crossing minor roads within Thompson Township in between .

= = History = =

The SR 257 designation was applied in 1926 . Originally , the highway was routed along its present southernmost alignment along the eastern banks of the Scioto River between Dublin and its northeastern junction with US 42 .

In 1935 , SR 257 was extended via a short concurrency with US 42 across the Scioto River , then north along its present alignment along the western side of the river to a new northern terminus at SR 37 west of Delaware . Then , two years after its first northward extension , SR 257 was extended to the north again , this time to its present northern terminus at SR 47 in Prospect .

SR 257 was designated the General Thaddeus Kosciuszko Memorial Highway in December 1975 .

= = Major intersections = =