

= New York State Route 488 =

New York State Route 488 (NY 488) is a state highway in Ontario County , New York , in the United States . It extends for 9 @. @ 53 miles (15 @. @ 34 km) from an intersection with NY 21 in the town of Hopewell , near the city of Canandaigua , to a junction with NY 96 midway between the villages of Phelps and Clifton Springs . NY 488 also passes through the hamlet of Orleans , located within the town of Phelps . Although NY 488 is signed as a north ? south highway , most of the route follows an east ? west alignment . NY 488 was originally designated as part of NY 88 in the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York . NY 88 was truncated to the village of Phelps in August 1972 , at which time its former routing between NY 21 and NY 96 was renumbered to NY 488 , eliminating an overlap with NY 96 .

= = Route description = =

NY 488 begins at an intersection with NY 21 in the hamlet of Chapin , a small community within the Ontario County town of Hopewell . The highway progresses eastward , crossing the Finger Lakes Railway at a grade crossing less than 100 yards (91 m) from NY 21 . Just past the railroad , the route makes a slight turn to the northeast for 0 @. @ 25 miles (0 @. @ 40 km) before curving back to the east and continuing across open farmland . As NY 488 crosses the town of Hopewell , it serves a handful of isolated homes and intersects several north ? south highways of local importance , including County Road 47 (CR 47) . The route continues eastward into the town of Phelps , where it serves a pair of large farms on its way to the small hamlet of Orleans , located on both the western bank of Flint Creek and the right @-@ of @-@ way of the now @-@ defunct Pennsylvania Railroad (PRR) .

In the western portion of Orleans , NY 488 intersects with the north ? south CR 20 , which leads to most of the hamlet 's residences . NY 488 , meanwhile , bypasses most of the community to the northwest as it makes a gradual turn to the north to follow Flint Creek and the old PRR right @-@ of @-@ way toward the village of Phelps . Outside of Orleans , the route reenters mostly rural surroundings as it approaches a junction with CR 43 . While CR 43 heads north toward Clifton Springs , NY 488 turns to the northeast , following the creek and the old rail bed past the large reservoir serving the village of Newark . At an intersection with Trimble and Griffith Roads , the highway turns back to the north , matching a similar curve in the creek 's routing . NY 488 continues on , crossing the former right @-@ of @-@ way of the Lehigh Valley Railroad and passing Midlakes High School on an otherwise nondescript stretch before ending at an intersection with NY 96 west of the village of Phelps .

= = History = =

On May 25 , 1915 , the state of New York let a contract to improve an 8 @. @ 63 @-@ mile (13 @. @ 89 km) highway connecting the city of Canandaigua to the hamlet of Orleans to state highway standards . The reconstruction of the highway was 70 percent complete by 1920 and finished by 1926 , by which time the highway was added to the state highway system as State Highway 1278 (SH 1278) . The north ? south highway connecting Orleans to the village of Phelps was rebuilt to state highway standards c . 1930 as SH 1863 . In the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , SH 1278 and SH 1863 became part of the new NY 88 , which began in the village of Sodus and extended southward through Phelps to the intersection of West Avenue and Main Street in Canandaigua . NY 88 was truncated on its southern end to Phelps c . 1973 . Its former routing from NY 21 in the hamlet of Chapin to NY 96 west of Phelps was renumbered to NY 488 as part of a project statewide to eliminate useless overlaps such as NY 88 and NY 96 .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Ontario County .

