

= Pennsylvania Route 263 =

Pennsylvania Route 263 ( PA 263 ) is a north ? south state highway located in southeast Pennsylvania . The southern terminus of the route is at PA 611 in Willow Grove , Montgomery County . The northern terminus is at the Centre Bridge @-@ Stockton Bridge over the Delaware River in Centre Bridge , Bucks County , where it continues into Stockton , New Jersey as Bridge Street to an intersection with Route 29 . It follows the routing of Old York Road , a historic road that connected Philadelphia to New York City , and carries the name York Road from the southern terminus to Lahaska and Upper York Road north of there . From Willow Grove to Buckingham , PA 263 runs mostly through suburban areas as a four @-@ lane road , passing through Hatboro , Warminster , and Jamison . The route forms a concurrency with U.S. Route 202 ( US 202 ) and narrows to a two @-@ lane road , splitting with that route in Lahaska . From here , the route continues through rural areas to Centre Bridge .

PA 263 follows a part of the alignment of Old York Road , which was laid out in 1711 . In 1911 , the portion of the current route south of Lahaska became part of Legislative Route 155 . When Pennsylvania designated its state highways , PA 263 was assigned to its current alignment between Willow Grove and Centre Bridge in 1928 .

= = Route description = =

= = = Montgomery County = = =

PA 263 starts as York Road at its southern terminus at PA 611 ( Easton Road ) in the unincorporated village of Willow Grove in Upper Moreland Township , Montgomery County . At the southern terminus , the route is split into a one @-@ way pair , with the route carrying two lanes in each direction . The northbound lanes split north from northbound PA 611 while the southbound lanes head west and meet PA 611 at the Center Avenue intersection . At the end of the one @-@ way pair , PA 263 continues north as a four @-@ lane undivided road , passing through commercial areas with a few homes . The road passes under Norfolk Southern 's Morrisville Line and becomes a divided highway as it crosses under the Pennsylvania Turnpike ( I @-@ 276 ) . Upon intersecting Mill Road / Warminster Road , PA 263 becomes undivided again as it heads into more residential surroundings .

The route briefly forms the border between Hatboro to the east and Upper Moreland Township to the west before fully entering Hatboro past the Newington Drive intersection . Here , PA 263 heads north prior to turning northeast and intersecting Horsham Road . At this point , the route crosses the Pennypack Creek and heads into downtown Hatboro as a three @-@ lane road with a center left @-@ turn lane . The route turns north at Byberry Road and comes to a junction with the western terminus of PA 332 ( Montgomery Avenue ) . After passing Summit Avenue , PA 263 leaves the downtown area and becomes a four @-@ lane undivided road again , passing residential areas with a few businesses . Through Hatboro , PA 263 is also called the Roy W. Cornell Memorial Highway .

= = = Bucks County = = =

At the intersection with County Line Road , PA 263 crosses the Bucks County line and enters Warminster Township . In this area , the route is a five @-@ lane road with a center left @-@ turn lane and passes several businesses as it comes to the PA 132 ( Street Road ) intersection , where it becomes a four @-@ lane divided highway that heads to the west of Archbishop Wood Catholic High School . The divided highway section ends at Roberts Road . PA 263 gains a center left @-@ turn lane again as it continues north through more residential areas with a few businesses . Just before Bristol Road , Old York Road splits off from the route and PA 263 curves more to the northeast , retaining the name York Road .

At Bristol Road , PA 263 enters Warwick Township and becomes a four @-@ lane divided highway

as it turns north and runs through wooded areas with some homes , crossing Little Neshaminy Creek . The route regains a center left @-@ turn lane as it reaches an intersection with Almshouse Road in the community of Jamison . At this intersection , the route is briefly a divided highway . After Almshouse Road , PA 263 continues north through business areas before heading past residential development . The route turns back into a divided highway as it crosses over the Neshaminy Creek and passes through areas woodland and homes . The road leaves Warwick Township for Buckingham Township at the Sugar Bottom Road intersection .

In Buckingham Township , PA 263 becomes a four @-@ lane undivided road passes a mix of farmland and homes as it comes to the community of Furlong . Here , the road intersects Edison Furlong Road / Forest Grove Road and forms the border between Doylestown Township to the west and Buckingham Township to the east . At the intersection with the eastern terminus of PA 313 ( Swamp Road ) , the route fully enters Buckingham Township again and turns northeast past a mix of farms and woods with some residences . Farther to the northeast , the route reaches the community of Buckingham and crosses PA 413 ( Durham Road ) .

PA 263 narrows to two lanes past this intersection and forms a concurrency with US 202 a short distance later . The two routes run along a two @-@ lane undivided road that heads through fields and woodland with some development , passing through the community of Holicong . Upon reaching the unincorporated village of Lahaska , the two routes split , with PA 263 bearing off to the left and becoming Upper York Road , a two @-@ lane undivided road . The route passes through Peddler 's Village before coming to an intersection with Street Road . At Street Road , PA 263 exits Buckingham Township and enters Solebury Township .

The road continues north into farm fields and woods with a few homes , curving more to the northeast . At the Aquetong Road intersection , PA 263 turns north and back to the northeast . The route reaches the community of Solebury , where the road intersects Sungan Road . Past this area , the road continues through wooded areas of homes , with the forests becoming denser as the road heads more to the northeast . In the village of Centre Bridge , PA 263 signage ends at PA 32 ( River Road ) . The route officially continues to the Centre Bridge @-@ Stockton Bridge over the Delaware River , at which point it ends . The road continues into Stockton , New Jersey as Bridge Street , which heads to an intersection with Route 29 near the southern terminus of County Route 523 .

= = History = =

What is now PA 263 was originally built as part of the Old York Road , a road established in the 18th century to connect Philadelphia to New York City . The portion of the road encompassing all of PA 263 was planned in 1711 to run from Philadelphia to Centre Bridge . The Old York Road would later exist as a turnpike . In 1911 , the part of PA 263 between the southern terminus and Lahaska was designated as part of Legislative Route 155 , a route that ran from Willow Grove to New Hope .

In 1928 , PA 263 was designated to run from US 611 in Willow Grove to the Delaware River in Centre Bridge . The Upper York Road portion of PA 263 was paved by 1940 . By 1970 , the route was widened into a four @-@ lane highway between County Line Road and PA 413 in Buckingham .

In 2006 , the section of PA 263 through Hatboro was named the Roy W. Cornell Memorial Highway in honor of Roy Cornell , a member of the Pennsylvania General Assembly who had represented Hatboro for over 30 years . In 2014 , a portion of PA 263 in Warminster Township was dedicated the Officer Bradley M. Fox Memorial Highway after a Plymouth Township police officer originally from Warminster who was killed in the line of duty during 2012 .

= = Major intersections = =