

= New York State Route 391 =

New York State Route 391 ( NY 391 ) is a short state highway in Erie County , New York , in the United States . The route is signed as north ? south ; however , it follows more of a southeast ? northwest alignment between NY 277 in the hamlet of North Boston and U.S. Route 62 ( US 62 ) in the village of Hamburg . NY 391 meets the Southern Expressway ( US 219 ) just north of North Boston . Both ends of NY 391 are located in residential areas ; however , the middle section of the route passes through more rural areas of the towns of Boston and Hamburg .

The routing of NY 391 has been part of several routes over the years , beginning with NY 62 in 1930 . NY 62 was mostly renumbered to NY 75 c . 1932 , and all of NY 75 south of Hamburg became concurrent to US 219 when it was extended into New York c . 1935 . NY 75 was cut back to Hamburg by 1940 , leaving just US 219 on modern NY 391 . US 219 was realigned north of North Boston in the early 1970s to follow other routes north to meet the first completed piece of the Southern Expressway near Orchard Park . NY 391 was assigned to US 219 's former routing into Hamburg at this time . The route originally ended two blocks to the west at the junction of NY 75 and US 62 ; however , this extension was eliminated c . 2004 .

= = Route description = =

NY 391 begins at an intersection with NY 277 ( Herman Hill Road ) in North Boston , a hamlet within the town of Boston . It heads to the northwest as Boston State Road , passing by suburban homes as it approaches the Southern Expressway ( US 219 ) . The two highways meet by way of a diamond interchange . West of the exit , NY 391 's surroundings become more rural as it enters the town of Hamburg , where it passes by open fields and a handful of houses .

The route follows Eighteen Mile Creek northwest and west toward the village of Hamburg , where the amount of development along the highway increases significantly . At McKinley Parkway ( County Route 204 ) , NY 391 becomes East Main Street and begins to pass through the outskirts of the village . It officially enters Hamburg upon intersecting Sunnyside Drive two blocks to the west . The route continues into the village center , passing by commercial and residential buildings on its way to a roundabout at Buffalo Street , where it meets US 62 . At this point , NY 391 comes to an end while US 62 turns west onto Main Street from Buffalo Street .

= = History = =

What is now NY 391 was originally designated as part of NY 62 , a highway extending from Great Valley north to Buffalo , in the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York . US 62 was extended into New York c . 1932 ; as a result , all of NY 62 south of Athol Springs was redesignated as NY 75 to eliminate numerical duplication with the U.S. Highway . US 219 was extended into New York c . 1935 , overlapping NY 75 between Great Valley and Hamburg . The overlap was eliminated by 1940 following the truncation of NY 75 to what had been the west end of its overlap with US 62 through Hamburg .

In the early 1970s , construction began on the Southern Expressway , a limited @-@ access highway connecting Buffalo to Springville . The first segment of the expressway ? between the New York State Thruway east of Lackawanna and US 20A west of Orchard Park ? opened to traffic by 1973 as a realignment of US 219 . In between the end of the expressway and North Boston , US 219 temporarily overlapped US 20A and NY 277 . The former routing of US 219 from North Boston to Hamburg was redesignated as NY 391 .

An extension of the freeway south to NY 391 near North Boston opened in the mid @-@ 1970s , resulting in a slight , temporary truncation of NY 391 to the end of the freeway . Another extension of the expressway south to Springville was completed in the early 1980s . It became part of US 219 upon opening ; at the same time , NY 391 was reextended to NY 277 in North Boston . The remainder of US 219 's former routing south to Springville was transferred to Erie County upon the completion of the Springville ? Buffalo segment of the Southern Expressway . Originally , NY 391

terminated at NY 75 in Hamburg , resulting in an extraneous overlap with US 62 for two blocks along Main Street . NY 391 was truncated to the eastern end of the concurrency c . 2004 .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Erie County .