

= New York State Route 48 =

New York State Route 48 (NY 48) is a 28 @. @ 20 @- @ mile (45 @. @ 38 km) north ? south state highway in Central New York in the United States . The southern terminus of the route is located at Interstate 690 (I @- @ 690) exit 3 near the interchange between I @- @ 690 and the New York State Thruway (I @- @ 90) in Van Buren , northwest of Syracuse . The northern terminus is located at an intersection with NY 104 in Oswego . In between , NY 48 passes through the riverside communities of Baldwinsville and Fulton and runs alongside both the Seneca River and Oswego River . For most of its route , NY 48 serves as an alternate route of NY 481 . The routes share similar alignments along the Oswego River from the Syracuse area to Oswego , with NY 481 following the eastern riverbank between the two locations .

When the route was originally assigned as part of the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , it extended southward into downtown Syracuse . NY 48 was truncated to Van Buren after I @- @ 690 was built over portions of the road in the late 1950s and early 1960s . The portion of former NY 48 that was not supplanted by I @- @ 690 was turned over to Onondaga County ; however , the state reacquired the segment adjacent to the New York State Fairgrounds in 1980 . Around 1931 , a suffixed spur of NY 48 , New York State Route 48A was designated as an alternate from Oswego to the town of Minetto . The route was deleted from the state highway system around 1940 .

= = Route description = =

NY 48 begins at I @- @ 690 exit 3 just west of the Geddes town line in Van Buren , Onondaga County . Known as State Fair Boulevard , it proceeds west @- @ northwest , paralleling both NY 690 (the northward continuation of I @- @ 690) and the Seneca River as it passes south of the Seneca Golf Club and Community Park . Shortly after passing the park , NY 48 enters the village of Baldwinsville on Syracuse Street and intersects Downer Street , the former routing of NY 31 west of the village . Originally , NY 31 overlapped NY 48 across the Seneca River (here part of the Erie Canal) to Genesee Street ; now , however , NY 48 continues alone to Genesee , where it intersects the modern routing of NY 31 (concurrent with NY 370) through Baldwinsville . North of NY 31 and NY 370 , NY 48 becomes Oswego Street and turns northwest before traveling south of Lysander Park as it exits the village and becomes Oswego Road .

In the town of Lysander , NY 48 overlaps NY 631 for a short distance westward to an intersection with the northern end of NY 690 . Here , NY 48 turns north , and begins to run as an alternate to NY 481 . Both routes run from the Syracuse area to downtown Oswego . NY 48 runs right along the western side of the Oswego River , while NY 481 runs along the eastern side of the river . Both routes run through downtown Fulton and Oswego which are the two cities along the Oswego River . At several points , all that separates the two routes is the river itself .

Further north in Lysander , NY 48 crosses the CSX Transportation @- @ owned Baldwinsville Subdivision before turning to the northeast as it passes through the hamlet of Wrights Corners and entering Oswego County . Just past the county line in Granby , the route turns northwest , following the western bank the Oswego River (and paralleling County Route 57 or CR 57 on the opposite side) as it intersects CR 46 near the hamlet of Hinmansville . NY 48 continues along the riverbank to the city of Fulton , where it gains the name West First Street south of an intersection with NY 176 . Like NY 31 in Baldwinsville , NY 48 originally overlapped NY 176 north to NY 3 (Broadway) , where NY 176 continued east . Now , however , NY 176 ends here and NY 48 continues solo to NY 3 . Past Broadway , NY 48 proceeds north through the remainder of Fulton , now paralleling NY 481 extremely close with just Oswego River separating the two .

Midway between Fulton and the Minetto hamlet of the same name , NY 48 serves Battle Island State Park , named for a small island in the Oswego River a short distance to the north . NY 48 presses onward along the edge of the Oswego to the hamlet of Minetto , where it intersects CR 24 , formerly NY 48A . North of the hamlet , NY 48 passes by the Oswego Country Club as it enters the Oswego city limits . Once in the City of Oswego , NY 48 becomes West First Street . At Utica Street

, NY 48 briefly turns west before turning back north at West Fifth Street and terminating at NY 104 (Bridge Street) . West First Street continues north for an additional six blocks to the Lake Ontario shoreline . NY 48 is city @-@ maintained within the cities of Fulton and Oswego ; the rest of the highway is maintained by the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) .

= = History = =

In the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , NY 48 was assigned to a previously unnumbered roadway between downtown Syracuse and Oswego . From Van Buren north to Oswego , NY 48 roughly followed its modern alignment ; south of Van Buren , NY 48 was routed on State Fair Boulevard and Geddes Street to terminate at NY 5 , then routed on Erie Boulevard . The route was realigned slightly within Syracuse between 1938 and 1940 to use portions of Hiawatha Boulevard and West Genesee Street (as well as a new portion of State Fair Boulevard) to meet NY 5 at the modern intersection of Erie Boulevard and Genesee Street .

The portion of the New York State Thruway from Rochester east to the Westmoreland hamlet of Lowell opened on June 24 , 1954 . At the time , exit 39 connected directly to NY 48 . As early as 1954 , plans were drawn up to construct a freeway along the NY 48 corridor between the Thruway and NY 48 at the New York State Fairgrounds just northwest of the Syracuse city limits . Construction on the highway , situated between NY 48 and Onondaga Lake , began in the mid @-@ 1950s and was completed by 1961 . Other areas of State Fair Boulevard (NY 48) were upgraded into limited @-@ access highways , including at Thruway exit 39 and in downtown Syracuse . As a result , NY 48 was truncated to its present southern terminus at the freeway , designated as I @-@ 690 , in Van Buren .

Following the removal of NY 48 south of the Thruway , the portion of State Fair Boulevard from the Syracuse city line north to I @-@ 690 exit 5 in Geddes became CR 80 . On April 1 , 1980 , ownership and maintenance of CR 80 between I @-@ 690 exits 6 (NY 695) and 7 (NY 297) was transferred to the state of New York as part of a highway maintenance swap between the state and Onondaga County . This segment , 0 @-@ 90 miles (1 @-@ 45 km) in length , is now designated as NY 931B , an unsigned reference route . The remainder of State Fair Boulevard within Geddes is still designated as CR 80 even though the designation now exists in two parts .

= = NY 48A = =

NY 48A was a designation assigned to an alternate route of NY 48 between the city of Oswego and the Minetto hamlet of the same name . It was assigned c . 1931 and began at the modern junction of NY 48 and CR 24 in Minetto . From there , it proceed west on what is now CR 24 and north on West Fifth Street (partly CR 25) to Oswego , where NY 48A reconnected to its parent by way of Niagara Street . The designation was removed c . 1940 .

= = Major intersections = =