

= New Jersey Route 58 =

Route 58 is a former state highway in the city of Newark , New Jersey and nearby borough of Harrison , New Jersey . The highway ran from Orange and Hecker Streets in Newark , eastbound as a four @-@ lane freeway across the William A. Stickel Memorial Bridge (known as the Stickel Bridge) to Harrison , where it terminated at an intersection with County Route 508 . The route originates as an alignment of Route 25A , a suffixed spur designated in 1939 of State Highway Route 25 . The route was rechristened as Route 58 in the 1953 state highway renumbering . The highway was constructed into Interstate 280 in the 1950s , and the route persisted internally until the 1990s , when it was finally removed as a designation . A stub alignment of Route 58 remains near Hecker and Orange Streets .

= = Route description = =

Route 58 began at an intersection with Orange Street and Hecker Street in the center of Newark . Paralleling Lackawanna Drive , the highway crossed over the Gladstone Branch , Montclair Branch and Morristown Lines maintained by New Jersey Transit . A four @-@ lane divided highway , Route 58 headed eastward along the Essex Freeway , a short freeway in Newark . The highway interchanged with Clifton Avenue heading westbound and Martin Luther King Boulevard a short distance later . The interchange with Martin Luther King Boulevard accessed the nearby Newark Broad Street Station . A short distance later , Route 58 interchanged with Route 21 nearby . After Route 21 , the Essex Freeway crossed on the Stickel Bridge over the Passaic River and into Harrison , where Route 58 interchanged with County Route 508 . There the designation terminated .

= = History = =

Route 58 originates as an alignment of State Highway Route 25 @-@ A , designated in 1939 as a suffixed spur of State Highway Route 25 from Jersey City to Clifton Avenue in Newark . The route was designated to cross through Kearny and Harrison , crossing the Passaic at the Bridge Street Bridge in Harrison . From there , it continued along , intersecting with State Highway Route 21 and Clifton Avenue . In 1949 , a new bridge for the four @-@ lane road was constructed , this bridge was named after William Stickel , an engineer from Essex County . That year , the New Jersey State Highway Department proposed construction of a new freeway to help alleviate traffic on the State Highway Route 10 corridor , designated as the Essex Freeway from the New Jersey Turnpike in Hudson County westward to U.S. Route 46 in Morris County .

On January 1 , 1953 , as part of the 1953 state highway renumbering , State Highway Route 25 @-@ A was rechristened as Route 58 . In 1954 , the State Highway Department decided to find a state highway to include in the new Eisenhower Interstate System . Originally proposed to use the Route 3 alignment for Federal Aid Interstate Route 105 , the upgrading of Route 3 for standards would be too great . After Route 3 was deemed unusable , they moved focus to short portion of Route 58 that was constructed . In 1958 , the State Highway Department gave Route 58 its official new designation , Interstate 280 , when construction began on an extended Essex Freeway . Although Interstate 280 was designated onto Route 58 's alignment , the Route 58 designation persisted throughout maps and straight line diagrams until at least 1997 , when the designation was removed . A short , unused concrete portion of Route 58 remains at the northern end of Hecker Street , crossing over the New Jersey Transit tracks ending near Interstate 280 .

= = Major intersections = =