

= Ohio State Route 253 =

State Route 253 (SR 253 , OH 253) is a very short east ? west state highway in the southern part of the U.S. state of Ohio . With an overall length of just 0 @.@ 56 miles (0 @.@ 90 km) , the majority of SR 253 is a part of the Jesse Stuart Memorial Bridge , which crosses over the Ohio River near Franklin Furnace , Ohio . The western terminus of SR 253 is at about the midspan of the bridge , where it crosses the Kentucky State Line and becomes Kentucky Route 10 (KY 10) . The eastern terminus of the highway is at a diamond interchange with U.S. Route 52 (US 52) near the eastern landing of the Ohio River crossing . The current SR 253 was established in the late 1980s . However , an earlier version of the highway existed in the Medina vicinity from the early 1920s until the late 1950s .

= = Route description = =

SR 253 runs exclusively within Green Township in southeastern Scioto County , near the community of Franklin Furnace . This short highway starts at the Kentucky state line on the two @-@ lane Jesse Stuart Memorial Bridge over the Ohio River , at the very point where KY 10 terminates . The highway departs the bridge to the east . After a short distance , it then crosses a shorter bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railway line . Right at the east end of that bridge , SR 253 comes to an end at a diamond interchange it has with the US 52 expressway . East of the interchange is a short connector to Scioto County Road 1 , which runs parallel to US 52 to the east through this area .

On a regular basis , the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) conducts surveys to measure the amount of traffic that uses its highway system . These traffic counts are commonly given in terms of average annual daily traffic (AADT) , a determination of the number of vehicles on a particular segment of roadway on any typical day of the year . A traffic count by ODOT in 2008 showed that 7 @,@ 210 cars and 710 trucks utilized SR 253 on a daily basis . The entirety of SR 253 is included within the National Highway System , a system of routes deemed most important for the economy , mobility and defense of the country .

= = History = =

The SR 253 designation has been utilized on two separate occasions . The first iteration of the highway began in 1925 . At the time , in the northern half of Medina County , a segment of what is now county @-@ maintained Fenn Road between the SR 18 / SR 57 concurrency and U.S. Route 42 was brought into the state highway system . This roadway , which is located less than 1 mile (1 @.@ 6 km) north of the city limits of Medina , was given the designation of SR 253 . In 1937 , the route was extended east along Fenn Road to a new eastern terminus at SR 3 northeast of Medina . SR 253 's time of being routed along this stretch of roadway came to an end in 1958 when jurisdiction of Fenn Road was transferred from the state to Medina County .

By 1989 , SR 253 was re @-@ introduced to the state highway system . Coinciding with the completion of the Jesse Stuart Memorial Bridge across the Ohio River , the designation was applied to the brief alignment that it maintains to this day from the Kentucky state line on the bridge to the US 52 expressway .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Green Township , Scioto County .