

= New York State Route 37 =

New York State Route 37 ( NY 37 ) is a state highway in the North Country of New York in the United States , extending for 127 @. @ 40 miles ( 205 @. @ 03 km ) on a west ? east axis . The western terminus of the route is at an intersection with U.S. Route 11 ( US 11 ) in Pamela , Jefferson County . Its eastern terminus is at a junction with US 11 , NY 11B , and NY 30 in Malone , Franklin County . In between the termini , NY 37 passes through Ogdensburg and Massena . It is a two @- @ lane , nondivided , full access roadway for most of its entire length , except for portions between Massena and western Franklin County , where the route widens to a four @- @ lane divided highway .

NY 37 was assigned in 1930 to the portion of the Theodore Roosevelt International Highway between Redwood and Malone as well as to a previously unnumbered roadway between Watertown and Redwood . The Redwood ? Malone portion was originally part of NY 3 when the first set of posted routes in New York were assigned in 1924 . NY 37 has since been rerouted in areas , primarily near Ogdensburg and Massena .

= = Route description = =

= = = Watertown to Ogdensburg = = =

NY 37 begins at an intersection with US 11 just north of Watertown in the town of Pamela . Between Watertown and Theresa , NY 37 follows a north ? south alignment and parallels Interstate 81 ( I @- @ 81 ) , located just west of NY 37 . Southwest of Theresa , I @- @ 81 turns to the northwest as NY 37 intersects NY 26 and NY 411 , the westward continuation of NY 26 . NY 26 joins NY 37 around the western edge of the village before splitting to the northwest a short distance to the north . NY 37 , however , continues northward , passing through Redwood before curving northeast as it enters St. Lawrence County .

Across the county line , NY 37 parallels NY 12 to the north as both routes proceed northeast . Roughly 7 miles ( 11 km ) from the county line , NY 37 encounters Hammond , a small village located west of Black Lake . Past Hammond , Route 37 heads north toward Morristown , where it meets NY 12 , the primary roadway along the St. Lawrence River 's southern bank west of this point . NY 12 ends here ; however , NY 37 takes over the routing of NY 12 and proceeds northeast along the edge of the St. Lawrence River . Just east of NY 12 , NY 37 meets the northernmost point of NY 58 .

Midway between Morristown and Ogdensburg , NY 37 enters St. Lawrence State Park , one of many New York state parks located on the southern bank of the river . The route exits the park and heads northeast to Ogdensburg , where it meets NY 68 ( the former routing of NY 37 into Ogdensburg ) west of the city . While NY 68 continues into downtown , NY 37 turns eastward , then northeastward and bypasses the city to the south . Near the Ogdensburg International Airport , NY 37 meets NY 812 at an interchange . Here , NY 812 joins NY 37 and the two routes intersect NY 68 once more before leaving Ogdensburg .

= = = Ogdensburg to Massena = = =

Just outside Ogdensburg , NY 812 separates from NY 37 to continue northward to Canada over the Ogdensburg ? Prescott International Bridge , where it becomes Highway 16 farther inland . NY 37 , however , continues to follow the south bank of the St. Lawrence River , passing Galop Island State Park on its way to Waddington , where it intersects the northernmost point on NY 345 . East of the village , NY 37 passes south of the riverside Coles Creek State Park and traverses Coles Creek itself .

In the Louisville hamlet of Louisville Corner ( west of Massena ) , NY 37 departs the St. Lawrence River and intersects the western end of NY 131 , a northerly bypass of Massena along the riverbank

. Farther east in Massena , NY 37 intersects NY 37B , the former routing of NY 37 through Massena , west of the village before crossing over the Grasse River and intersecting the northern termini of both NY 56 ( where NY 37 widens into a four @-@ lane divided highway ) and NY 420 . NY 37B later rejoins NY 37 east of the village , as does NY 131 directly north of the Massena International Airport .

= = = Eastern St. Lawrence and Franklin counties = = =

East of the airport in the town of Massena , NY 37 begins to parallel the north bank of the Raquette River as it intersects NY 37C near a hamlet named for the waterway . NY 37 and the river continue northeast to the vicinity of the hamlet of Rooseveltown , where NY 37 formerly connected to a large traffic circle linking NY 37 to the Three Nations Crossing as well as County Route 45 ( CR 45 ) . The traffic circle has since been replaced with a T @-@ intersection and traffic light because of the expansion of the American Customs facility . Upon crossing into Franklin County and the St. Regis Mohawk Reservation a short distance to the east , the road narrows back to a two @-@ lane undivided highway and crosses over the Raquette River .

Although most of NY 37 in the town of Bombay is contained within the reservation , a short portion east of Hogansburg and the St. Regis River and west of Tarbell Road is located outside the reservation limits . Within this stretch , NY 37 meets both the eastern end of NY 37C and the northern terminus of NY 95 . East of the reservation , NY 37 roughly parallels the CSX Transportation @-@ owned Montreal Subdivision northeast to Fort Covington , where NY 37 crosses the railroad line and intersects Water Street ( unsigned NY 970T ) , a connector to Quebec Route 132 on the northern side of the Canadian border .

East of Fort Covington , NY 37 follows a more southeasterly routing as it separates from the northernmost extents of the state . In the Westville hamlet of Westville Center , NY 37 meets the western terminus of NY 122 . Farther south , NY 37 enters the village of Malone , where it terminates at US 11 , NY 11B and NY 30 .

= = History = =

The portion of NY 37 from Redwood to Malone was originally part of the Theodore Roosevelt International Highway , an international auto trail connecting Portland , Maine , on the Atlantic Ocean coast to Portland , Oregon , east of the Pacific Ocean . When the first set of posted routes in New York were assigned in 1924 , the entirety of the Roosevelt Highway in New York was designated NY 3 . In the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York , NY 3 was rerouted to follow its current routing between Watertown and Plattsburgh . The former routing of NY 3 along the St. Lawrence River became part of the new NY 37 , which utilized a previously unnumbered highway between Watertown and Redwood via Theresa . Initially , NY 37 directly served Theresa by way of modern CR 136 , CR 46 , and CR 193 ; however , it was realigned c . 1934 to bypass the village to the west .

When NY 37 was first assigned , it entered Ogdensburg on Main Street ( modern NY 68 ) and exited the city on Ford Street and Proctor Avenue . East of the city , NY 37 used less than 1 mile ( 1 @.@ 6 km ) of its modern alignment before turning south to follow Van Rensselaer Road to Waddington . The modern , riverside alignment of NY 37 between Ogdensburg and Waddington was designated as NY 37A as part of the 1930 renumbering . In the late 1950s , the alignments of NY 37 and NY 37A were flipped , placing NY 37 on its current routing and NY 37A on Van Rensselaer Road . During the same time period , NY 37 was rerouted to follow a new bypass around the southern edge of Ogdensburg .

In the Massena area , NY 37 originally broke from its modern alignment west of the village and followed what is now NY 37B east to Main Street . Here , it turned south onto Main Street to traverse the Grasse River before continuing east on Orvis Street ( and meeting modern NY 37B at Center Street ) to reconnect to its current alignment east of the village . Lastly , from modern NY 131 adjacent to the Massena International Airport to Rooseveltown , NY 37 was initially routed on

Trippany Road , NY 37C , and Roosevelt Road . In the mid @-@ 1950s , construction began on a new southern bypass of Massena that connected to NY 37 at the modern termini of NY 37B . It was completed and opened to traffic by 1958 . Work on an eastward , divided highway extension of the bypass to Rooseveltown began c . 1961 . The final section , from the hamlet of Raquette River to Rooseveltown , opened to traffic later that year .

= = Suffixed routes = =

NY 37 once had as many as four suffixed routes ; two have since been removed .

NY 37A was an alternate route of NY 37 between Ogdensburg and Waddington . It was assigned as part of the 1930 renumbering of state highways in New York to what is now NY 37 between the two locations . At the time , NY 37 was routed on Van Rensselaer Road . The alignments of NY 37 and NY 37A were flipped in the late 1950s . On April 10 , 1980 , the NY 37A designation was removed . Ownership and maintenance of Van Rensselaer Road was transferred from the state of New York to St. Lawrence County on September 1 , 1982 , at which time the highway was redesignated as CR 28 .

NY 37B ( 4 @.@ 03 miles or 6 @.@ 49 kilometres ) is the former routing of NY 37 through Massena . NY 37B leaves NY 37 west of the village and rejoins its parent just east of Massena . It was assigned as part of the 1930 renumbering .

NY 37C ( 9 @.@ 89 miles or 15 @.@ 92 kilometres ) is a loop off of NY 37 in northeastern St. Lawrence County and northwestern Franklin County . While NY 37 follows a direct east ? west routing between Massena and the Bombay community of Hogansburg , NY 37C dips south to serve to the Brasher community of Helena . NY 37C was assigned as part of the 1930 renumbering .

NY 37D was a spur connecting NY 37 to NY 26 in Theresa , utilizing part of NY 37 's original alignment through the Theresa area . It was assigned c . 1936 and removed in the mid @-@ 1960s . It is now maintained by Jefferson County as CR 136 and CR 46 .

= = Major intersections = =