

In 1995 Congress refined the location of the I-73 corridor. In Virginia, the corridor was to generally follow the US 460 alignment from West Virginia thru the Blacksburg area to I-81, along the existing I-81 alignment to the Roanoke area, thence southerly along the US 220 alignment to the North Carolina state line. This refinement was found in the 1995 National Highway System Designation Act to the corridor defines in the 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA). Please find below a link to the 1995 National Highway System Designation Act.

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/legsregs/title3.html#332>

SEC. 332. HIGH PRIORITY CORRIDORS.

(a) IDENTIFICATION OF HIGH PRIORITY CORRIDORS-

(1) IN GENERAL- Section 1105(c) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (105 Stat. 2032) is amended--

(A) by inserting before the period at the end of paragraph (3) the following: `commencing on the Atlantic Coast in the Hampton Roads area going westward across Virginia to the vicinity of Lynchburg, Virginia, continuing west to serve Roanoke and then to a West Virginia corridor centered around Beckley to Welch as part of the Coalfields Expressway described in section 1069(v), then to Williamson sharing a common corridor with the I-73/74 Corridor (referred to in item 12 of the table contained in subsection (f)), then to a Kentucky Corridor centered on the cities of Pikeville, Jenkins, Hazard, London, Somerset, Columbia, Bowling Green, Hopkinsville, Benton, and Paducah, into Illinois, and into Missouri and exiting western Missouri and moving westward across southern Kansas';

(B) by striking paragraph (5) and inserting the following:

`(5)(A) I-73/74 North-South Corridor from Charleston, South Carolina, through Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to Portsmouth, Ohio, to Cincinnati, Ohio, to termini at Detroit, Michigan and Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. The Sault Ste. Marie terminus shall be reached via a corridor connecting Adrian, Jackson, Lansing, Mount Pleasant, and Grayling, Michigan.

`(B)(i) In the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Corridor shall generally follow-

(I) United States Route 220 from the Virginia-North Carolina border to I-581 south of Roanoke;

(II) I-581 to I-81 in the vicinity of Roanoke;

(III) I-81 to the proposed highway to demonstrate intelligent transportation systems authorized by item 29 of the table in section

1107(b) in the vicinity of Christiansburg to United States Route 460 in the vicinity of Blacksburg; and

`(IV) United States Route 460 to the West Virginia State line.

`(ii) In the States of West Virginia, Kentucky, and Ohio, the Corridor shall generally follow--

`(I) United States Route 460 from the West Virginia State line to United States Route 52 at Bluefield, West Virginia; and

`(II) United States Route 52 to United States Route 23 at Portsmouth, Ohio.

`(iii) In the States of North Carolina and South Carolina, the Corridor shall generally follow--

`(I) in the case of I-73--

`(aa) United States Route 220 from the Virginia State line to State Route 68 in the vicinity of Greensboro;

`(bb) State Route 68 to I-40;

`(cc) I-40 to United States Route 220 in Greensboro;

`(dd) United States Route 220 to United States Route 1 near Rockingham;

`(ee) United States Route 1 to the South Carolina State line; and

`(ff) South Carolina State line to Charleston, South Carolina; and

`(II) in the case of I-74--

`(aa) I-77 from Bluefield, West Virginia, to the junction of I-77 and the United States Route 52 connector in Surry County, North Carolina;

`(bb) the I-77/United States Route 52 connector to United States Route 52 south of Mount Airy, North Carolina;

`(cc) United States Route 52 to United States Route 311 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina;

`(dd) United States Route 311 to United States Route 220 in the vicinity of Randleman, North Carolina;

`(ee) United States Route 220 to United States Route 74 near Rockingham;

`(ff) United States Route 74 to United States Route 76 near Whiteville;

`(gg) United States Route 74/76 to the South Carolina State line in Brunswick County; and

`(hh) South Carolina State line to Charleston, South Carolina.';