



**Note on Alignments:**

Design of the interstates was done with regard for existing roadway only where convenient. As evidenced here, most of the original 2-lane (green/red) and subsequent 4-lane (blue) was re-engineered for I-55 between the top and bottom areas of the map.

The original route was reconstructed on the upper portion of the map and re-aligned on the lower portion of the map (orange) in the early 1940s, replacing the more narrow IL 4 roadbed. The orange alignment later became the I-55 frontage road near the bottom of the map.

Extension of the 4-lane westbound from Bloomington was in place here by 1956. I-55 construction in the 1970s erased it across the interchange south of Hamilton Rd. Near the bottom of the map, the EB half (blue) was adopted by westbound I-55.

Note: Near the bottom of the map, the original route (green/red) drifted closer to the RR to parallel the upgrade orange alignment. This is depicted without vintage aerial or mapping evidence and may not be precise, but fits when matching up to maps that follow. The green/red pavement was excavated following construction of the orange route.