



Between Lincoln (east)
and Springfield (west)

Alignments on this Map

Green/Red: Original and first paved route, later consumed by eastbound I-55 between Williamsville (previous map) to near Exit 105, where it continues into Sherman as an eastbound interstate on-ramp.

Orange: In place by 1946 in this area on the pathway of future westbound I-55, it represents lanes added as part of the 4-lane upgrade between Lincoln and Sherman. The original alignment (green/red) was improved for the eastbound lanes of this project, completed in 1953. Its construction is visible on a 1946 aerial photograph.

Blue: By 1960, the westbound half of 4-lane US 66 (orange) was redirected for emerging I-55 (blue), its former alignment snipped (dashed orange line), and its bridge on Fancy Creek abandoned. The eastbound half of the 4-lane (red/green) remained in place, destined to become an on-ramp to I-55. By 1971, the interstate was completed in the area of Exit 105.

Note:
Frontage Rd. bridge
is dated 1959.

Fancy Creek Bridges:

EB (green/red): Built in 1953, replacing an earlier bridge on the original route.

WB (orange): Not dated, but likely built in 1953 also, as bridges are identical, and this date matches the timeframe for the 4-lane expansion.