



1926-1930 IL 4 Temporary Route

Green/Red: The first alignment followed the already-paved IL 4 along a serpentine route. After its removal as Temporary US 66, it underwent numerous changes. As seen near the top of the map, the curve at Alpha Rd. was corrected twice (dashed gray line and solid gray line).

Likewise, the concrete loop on Snell and Curran Rds. (below) was improved, with smoother curves (gray), and then later bypassed with the present alignment of IL 4. It was actually after 1930 when the brick paving was applied here.

1920 Panther Creek bridges on Snell and Curran Rds. were replaced in 2002. A 1958 bridge to the north on IL 4 was replaced in 2001. It's predecessor was likely a 1920 bridge as well.

Alpha Rd.

Ostermeier Rd.

IL 4

Panther Creek

Curran Rd.

Snell Rd.

Gilmore Rd.

Fragment of original paving.

Hambuch Rd.

IL 4

Gilmore Rd.

Curran Rd.

Auburn Rd.

IL 4

Between Springfield (east) and Litchfield (west)

Note:
Actual distance between the green/red and blue routes at the top of the map is 4 miles. It has been compressed to fit both on the map.

Note on Viaducts:
An existing 2-lane RR viaduct at Glenarm (blue route) with an unknown build date was replaced in 1955 when the route was expanded to 4 lanes. The viaduct for the added lanes (magenta) was later removed during construction of I-55 (gray), which was underway here in 1971. In 2011, the 1955 blue route viaduct was replaced.

GLENARM

Glenarm Rd.

Main St.

Frazee Rd.

Horse Farm Rd.

Frazee Rd.

Palm Rd.

I-55

I-55
Exit 83

I-55

Old Route 66

Note:
I-55 was under construction here in 1971.

Old Route 66

Burtle Ave.

Post-1930 Alignments:

Orange: US 66 initially followed the orange route as depicted.

Blue: The blue route from Springfield bypassed the orange route as far as Glenarm circa 1932 following completion of a new bridge for Lake Springfield (Map 65).

In the 1950s, lanes were added to the existing 2-lane (blue) in the following manner:

Magenta between Lake Springfield and Glenarm, part of which was later adopted by WB I-55.

Blue from Glenarm to the point where the orange route shifted from Frazee Rd. to align with the path of future westbound I-55 (dashed orange line). This is depicted on a 1924 USGS Topo map as an offset in the section lines.

Blue from that point to the bottom of the map along the path of Frazee Rd. Note that both Palm Rd. and Frazee Rd. also serve as the frontage road to I-55.