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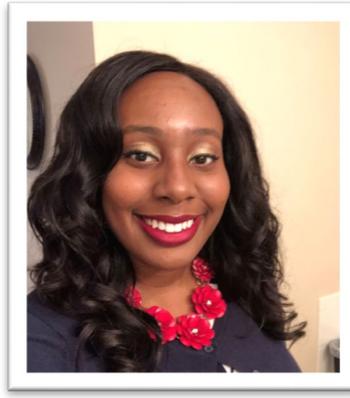
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Program Overview

National Scenic Byways Program (NSBP)

The *vision* of the program is to create a distinctive collection of American roads, their stories and treasured places.



Beartooth Highway
Montana & Wyoming
All-American Road

Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2281/photos>

America's Byways®

- Designated by the US Secretary of Transportation
- **National Scenic Byway** or **All-American Road**
- Based on Intrinsic Qualities
 - Archaeological
 - Cultural
 - Historic
 - Natural
 - Recreational
 - Scenic
- 150 Byways in 46 states



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2144/photos>

Cascade Lakes Scenic Byway
Oregon
National Scenic Byway

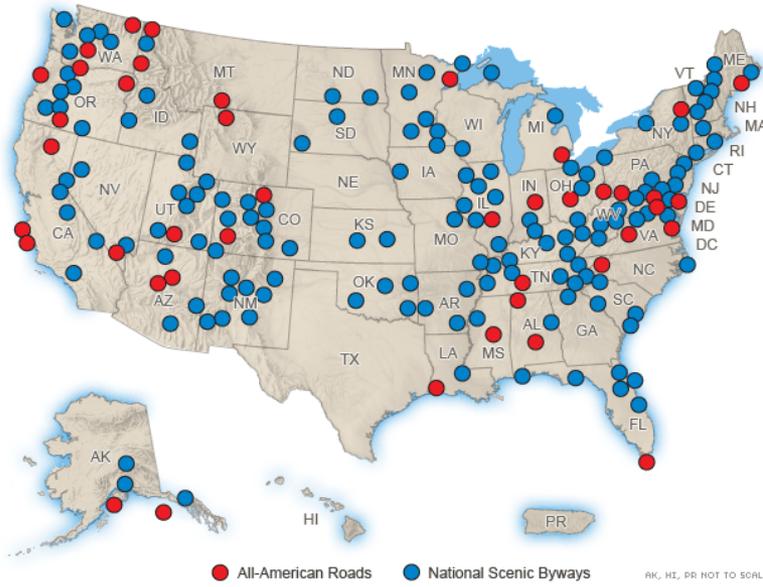
America's Byways® Website



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come CLOSER.

Choose from the map or list below to find byways in a State.



Jump to a State:

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Find Byways

Search near any U.S. location:

Nearby Byways

▮ Finding your location...

America's Byways

America's Byways® is the umbrella term we use for the collection of **150 distinct and diverse roads** designated by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. America's Byways include the National Scenic Byways and All-American Roads.

America's Byways are gateways to adventures where no two experiences are the same. The National Scenic Byways Program invites you to **Come Closer to America's heart and soul...**

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/>

National Designations

Now soliciting FY 2020 Nominations for designation!

Please Note: The National Scenic Byways Program is no longer funded. FHWA is now conducting a **one-time solicitation** of nominations for designation to America's Byways®.

Previous Designations

- 1996
- 1998
- 2000
- 2002
- 2005
- 2009



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2599/photos>

Big Bend Scenic Byway
Florida
National Scenic Byway

Who can submit a nomination?

- Application can originate from anyone (may vary by state)
- Must be nominated by a State, an Indian tribe, or a Federal land management agency (FLMA)
- **Must** be a designated State, Tribal or FLMA byway
- Reciprocal Notification Required



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2161/photos>

Cherokee Foothills Scenic Highway
South Carolina
National Scenic Byway

Principal Criteria for National Designation

Criteria	National Scenic Byway	All-American Road
Intrinsic Quality	1	2
Significance	Distinct and most representative of the region Recognized throughout the region	One-of-a-kind features that do not exist elsewhere Recognized nationally Destination unto itself

Corridor Management Plan (CMP)

- Must be adopted before application deadline
- Must be developed with community involvement
- Must include information on the 14 (National Scenic Byway) or 18 (All-American Road) points
- Specific requirements for the CMP can be found in the [Nominations Guide](#)

Roles & Responsibilities

Headquarters Role

- Provide overall program and policy direction.
- Solicit and review nominations for designation as one of America's Byways[®].
- Prepare decision materials for use by the Secretary of Transportation and the FHWA Administrator.

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Division Office / Federal Lands Role

- Serve as a contact to respond to questions regarding the byways application process
- Notify State Coordinators, FLMAs, & Tribes of important updates and deadlines, including application portal notification emails
- Assist the Scenic Byway Review Team with verifying byway information as questions arise

For a list of Division Office and Federal Lands POCs, please visit:
https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/scenic_byways/contacts/

State Coordinator Role

- Serve as a resource for applicants – Keep your FHWA Division Office POC informed
- Establish internal deadlines for submitting nomination applications for State review
- Review and evaluate online nomination submissions
- Return any incomplete applications to applicants for refinement and resubmission
- Coordinate with other States, Indian tribes and/or Federal land management agencies on multi-jurisdiction applications
- Submit completed applications to FHWA HQ by May 15, 2020

Tribal/Federal Land Management Agency Coordinator Role

- Serve as a resource for applicants – Keep your FHWA Division Office/Federal Lands and State Coordinator POCs informed
- Coordinate with State, Indian tribes, and/or FLMAs to determine who has jurisdiction over the nominated roadway
 - **This will impact whether you are able to submit a nomination application directly to FHWA**
- Establish internal deadlines for submitting nomination applications for review
- Review and evaluate online nomination submissions
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2020 Nomination Schedule

Online Byway Nomination Form opened	February 13, 2020
Quarterly Coordinators Call	April 30, 2020 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST
Byway Nomination Form closes and reviews begin	May 15, 2020
2020 Scenic Byways Designations announced	Fall 2020

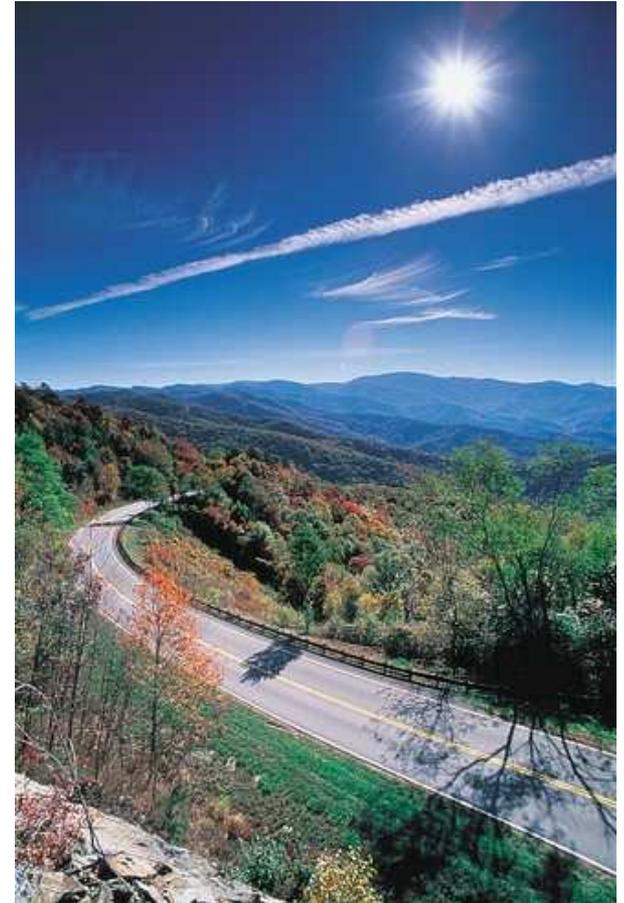
Program Links

FHWA

- [National Scenic Byways Program](#)
- [America's Byways®](#)
- [23 U.S.C. 162](#)
- [1995 Interim Policy](#)
- [Nomination Guide](#)
- [Nomination Application Questions](#)

External Resources

- [National Scenic Byways Foundation](#)
- [Scenic America](#)



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2282/photos>

Cherochala Skyway
North Carolina & Tennessee
National Scenic Byway

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On September 22, 2019, the Reviving America's Scenic Byways Act of 2019 was signed by the President and became [Public Law 116-57](#). This law requires the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to solicit nominations for certain roads to be designated under the National Scenic Byways Program as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on their archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational, and scenic qualities.

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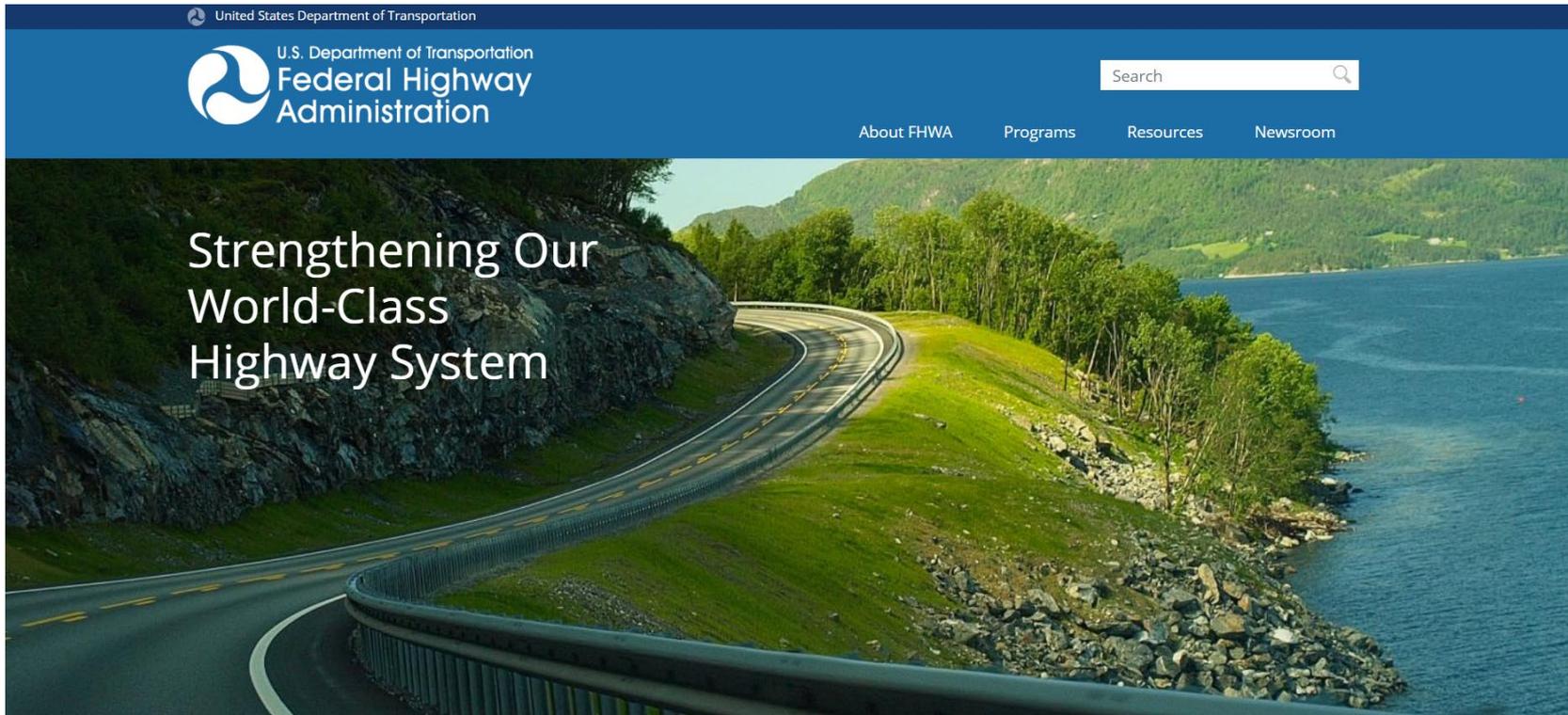
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[View a list of America's Byways](#)

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/scenic_byways/

Navigation from FHWA Homepage

<https://highways.dot.gov/>



1. From the Programs menu, Select “Planning, Environment and Realty”
2. Select “Environment” in the top left
3. Select “2020 National Scenic Byways Program” from the “Topics of Special Interest” list on the bottom right.

Key Website Resources

- Nomination resources
- Contacts links

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Nomination Resources

- Nomination Form link
- Application Questions – PDF Format
- Nomination Guide
- Intrinsic Qualities
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Introduction

Under the National Scenic Byways Program, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation recognizes certain roads as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on their [intrinsic qualities](#). The Federal Highway Administration promotes the collection as America's Byways®.

[NSBP Byway Nomination Form](#)

Use this online tool to submit FY 2020 Nomination Applications for designation to America's Byways®. All nominations must be submitted using the Byway Nomination Form by May 15, 2020.

FY 2020 Nomination Application Questions

This document ([PDF](#)) - Updated 1/21/2020) is for use as a template to assist with nomination application preparation. **It is not the official nomination application, and will not be accepted as part of the final submission.**

[FY 2020 Nomination Guide](#)

Become familiar with the National Scenic Byways nomination process.

America's Byways® - FY20 Nominations Process Overview Webinar

This webinar will provide information about FHWA's one-time nomination solicitation for designation to America's Byways®. Requirements for submitting applications to nominate roads for America's Byways designation and an overview of the National Scenic Byways Program will be presented. Details and registration information are provided below:

- Wednesday, February 26, 2020
- 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time
- Registration link: <https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/dot/fhwa/WC/Lists/Seminars/DispForm.aspx?ID=2242>

[Important Documents](#)

Here are some important documents for your reference as you prepare for nominations.

Designations

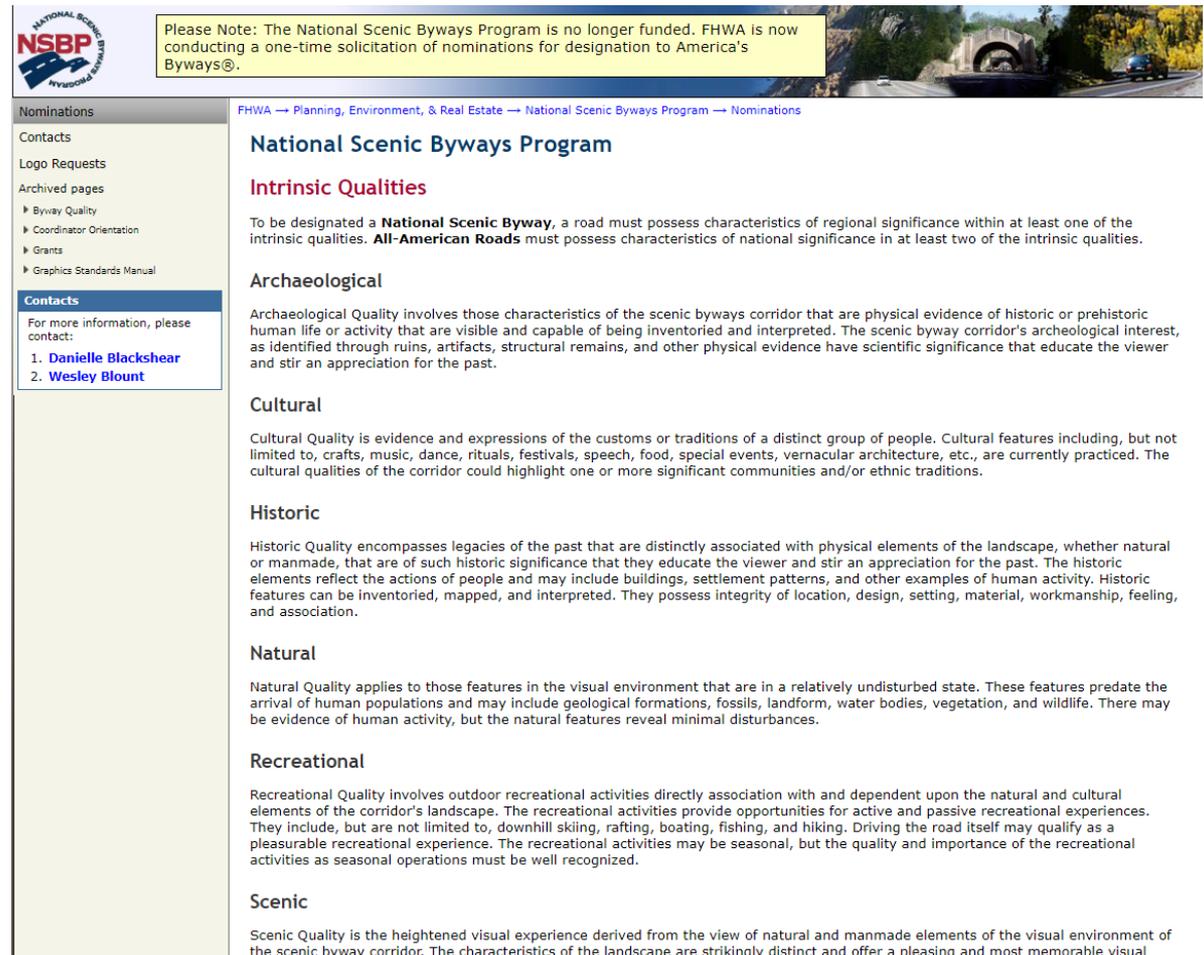
42 new designations were last announced on October 16, 2009 by the Secretary of Transportation.

Current designations are:

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/scenic_byways/nominations/

Intrinsic Qualities

- Archaeological
- Cultural
- Historic
- Natural
- Recreational
- Scenic



The screenshot shows the National Scenic Byways Program website. At the top left is the NSBP logo. A yellow box contains a notice: "Please Note: The National Scenic Byways Program is no longer funded. FHWA is now conducting a one-time solicitation of nominations for designation to America's Byways®." To the right is a scenic image of a road with a stone archway. Below the notice is a navigation breadcrumb: "FHWA → Planning, Environment, & Real Estate → National Scenic Byways Program → Nominations". The main content area is titled "National Scenic Byways Program" and "Intrinsic Qualities". It explains that to be designated a National Scenic Byway, a road must possess characteristics of regional significance within at least one of the intrinsic qualities, or All-American Roads must possess characteristics of national significance in at least two of the intrinsic qualities. The qualities listed are: Archaeological, Cultural, Historic, Natural, Recreational, and Scenic. A left sidebar contains a menu with "Nominations" selected, and "Contacts" with a list: "1. Danielle Blackshear" and "2. Wesley Blount".

National Scenic Byways Program

Intrinsic Qualities

To be designated a **National Scenic Byway**, a road must possess characteristics of regional significance within at least one of the intrinsic qualities. **All-American Roads** must possess characteristics of national significance in at least two of the intrinsic qualities.

Archaeological

Archaeological Quality involves those characteristics of the scenic byways corridor that are physical evidence of historic or prehistoric human life or activity that are visible and capable of being inventoried and interpreted. The scenic byway corridor's archeological interest, as identified through ruins, artifacts, structural remains, and other physical evidence have scientific significance that educate the viewer and stir an appreciation for the past.

Cultural

Cultural Quality is evidence and expressions of the customs or traditions of a distinct group of people. Cultural features including, but not limited to, crafts, music, dance, rituals, festivals, speech, food, special events, vernacular architecture, etc., are currently practiced. The cultural qualities of the corridor could highlight one or more significant communities and/or ethnic traditions.

Historic

Historic Quality encompasses legacies of the past that are distinctly associated with physical elements of the landscape, whether natural or manmade, that are of such historic significance that they educate the viewer and stir an appreciation for the past. The historic elements reflect the actions of people and may include buildings, settlement patterns, and other examples of human activity. Historic features can be inventoried, mapped, and interpreted. They possess integrity of location, design, setting, material, workmanship, feeling, and association.

Natural

Natural Quality applies to those features in the visual environment that are in a relatively undisturbed state. These features predate the arrival of human populations and may include geological formations, fossils, landform, water bodies, vegetation, and wildlife. There may be evidence of human activity, but the natural features reveal minimal disturbances.

Recreational

Recreational Quality involves outdoor recreational activities directly association with and dependent upon the natural and cultural elements of the corridor's landscape. The recreational activities provide opportunities for active and passive recreational experiences. They include, but are not limited to, downhill skiing, rafting, boating, fishing, and hiking. Driving the road itself may qualify as a pleasurable recreational experience. The recreational activities may be seasonal, but the quality and importance of the recreational activities as seasonal operations must be well recognized.

Scenic

Scenic Quality is the heightened visual experience derived from the view of natural and manmade elements of the visual environment of the scenic byway corridor. The characteristics of the landscape are strikingly distinct and offer a pleasing and most memorable visual

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Application Questions – PDF Format

- NOT the official application
- 11 page tool to help applicants prepare nominations
 - Contains questions asked in the online application tool
 - Format similar to online application
 - Includes word limits
- Recent updates:
 - Local designation required prior to nomination
 - # of features to support intrinsic qualities

TEMPLATE ONLY – NOT FOR SUBMISSION

FY 2020 National Scenic Byways Nomination Application Questions

This document is for use as a template to assist with nomination application preparation. It is not the official nomination application, and will not be accepted as part of the final submission. The official nomination application can be found online at: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/heap/scenic_byways/nominations/.

Byway Name:
State(s), Indian tribe(s), or Federal land(s):
Multi-jurisdiction: YES / NO If your byway traverses more than one jurisdiction (i.e., State, Indian tribe, or Federal land), you will be asked to indicate that you are submitting a nomination submission for a multi-jurisdiction nomination and applicants in each jurisdiction will be required to submit individual nomination applications.
Submission Agency:
Submission Date:
Desired Designation (select one): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Scenic Byway• All-American Road For more information about the distinctions between designations, see the Nominations Guide . Please note: Any road that fails to meet the requirements for All-American Road designation will automatically be considered for designation as a National Scenic Byway.
Change in Designation: YES / NO If you are seeking to nominate an existing National Scenic Byway as an All-American Road, you are required to identify two (2) intrinsic qualities that are nationally significant. One of these may be the same intrinsic quality used to justify previous designation as a National Scenic Byway. However, your application will need to describe the national significance of that intrinsic quality.
Extension: YES / NO If you are seeking an extension to an existing National Scenic Byway or All-American Road, you are required to submit the nomination application for the proposed extension in context of the existing National Scenic Byway or All-American Road and identify the same primary intrinsic quality(s) that can be found along the previously designated portion of the byway. Applicants are required to identify the same primary intrinsic quality(s) that can be found along the designated portion of the byway, and how the proposed extension relates to and enhances the designated byway.

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Nominations Application Information

- Detailed guidance on questions for reference when preparing application.
- One page for each of the seven sections of the 7 application sections.

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Background

A few background questions will dictate what information is needed.

- 1. Byway name.** Does your byway name capture the imaginative? When selecting the official name, byway leaders should recognize and attributes of the route's location. Consider the importance of the route's location.
- 2. Jurisdictions included in the byway route.** If your byway (Federal land), you will be asked to indicate that you are submitting Applicants in each jurisdiction will be required to submit individual responses.

Other considerations for multi-jurisdiction nominations required to identify the primary intrinsic quality that can be found in the submission of the individual applications. For identify a primary intrinsic quality that can be found in all of the intrinsic quality that may be unique to their segment of the byway more than one jurisdiction, the applicants will be asked to identify (management agency) that are also seeking nomination. Applicants coordinate their responses for Section 2: Statement of Qualification.

- 3. Submission Agency**
- 4. Submission Date.** This is the date of your online application.
- 5. Desired Designation.** In nominating your byway, you must select either National Scenic Byway or All-American Road. The selection of the designation sought requested to supply throughout your nomination application. In the application, and follows this Background section.
 - a. National Scenic Byway.** To be designated as a National scenic byway Intrinsic Qualities that is regionally significant.
 - b. All-American Road.** To be designated as an All-American Road, at least two of the Intrinsic Qualities that are nationally significant destination into itself. To be recognized as such, it should be recognized by travelers that they would make a drive a characteristics associated with the Intrinsic Qualities are one-of-a-kind features that do not exist elsewhere. The characteristics of the corridor's intrinsic quality is recognized.

A list of America's Byways® with the Intrinsic Qualities for which they are nominated is available at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/>.

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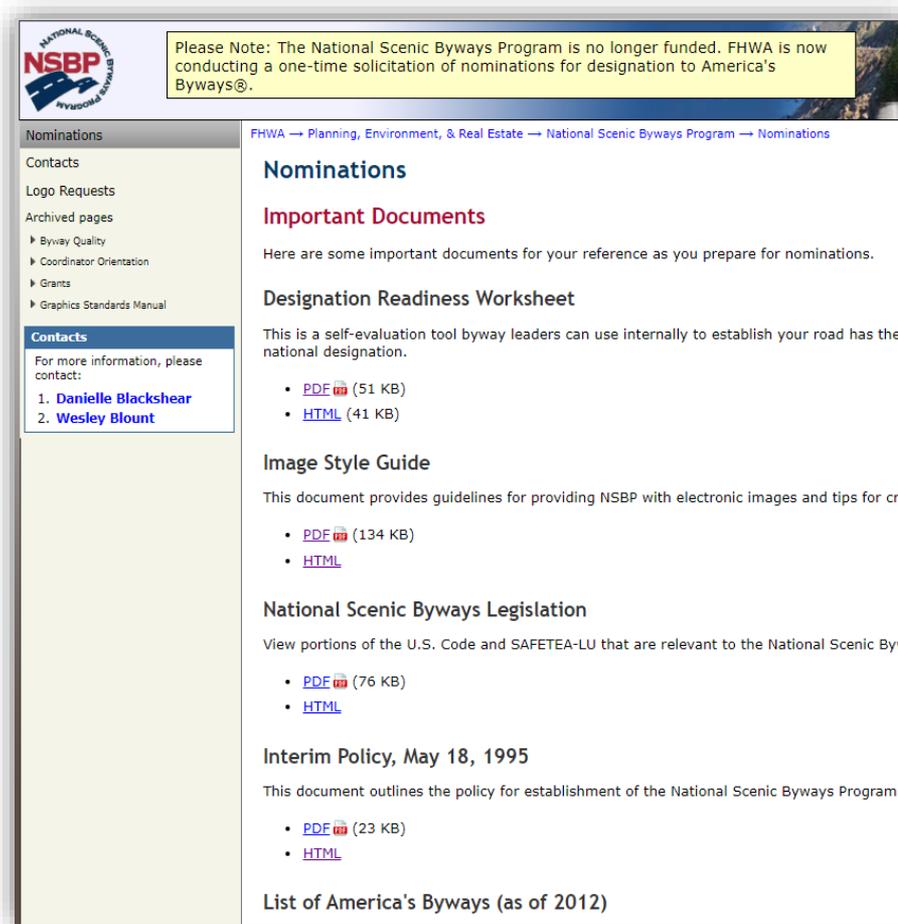
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Section 2: Statement of Qualification

This section will introduce the reviewers to your byway. You will be asked to provide a description of your byway from the "big picture" point of view. Within the context of your description you must include information on the following:

- 1. Theme.** You will be asked to provide a brief description of the unifying theme you plan to use to promote your byway. Please note that this should relate to the Intrinsic Quality(s) for which the route is being nominated. Does your theme reflect the central focus of your byway's nomination story? The theme statement should help you test your ideas by distilling them into a few sentences; help you better organize and develop your argument; and provide reviewers with a "guide" to your argument later in the application for designation as one of America's Byways®. As such, a strong thematic statement should justify further discussion that will be found in your narrative; expresses one main idea; and be specific. You should be succinct and include all of these elements; reviewers are not looking for a lengthy description here, but a strong thematic statement that will set the tone for the rest of your application.
- 2. Traveler Experience.** You will be asked to provide an overview of what visitors will experience when they drive the route. Note that you will have the opportunity to create a traveler itinerary later in the Visitor Experience section of the nomination application. As such, please provide a snapshot in words describing the overall travel experience visitors can expect to encounter. Use this description to establish the experience a traveler will have navigating your byway. For All-American Road applicants, part of the overall experience should include the road as being a destination unto itself such that travelers' would go there as a primary reason for their trip. Provide a sense of how the experience unfolds as visible features, byway stories or important resources which together form the core quality of your corridor. Reviewers will depend on this overview description to form their impressions of the travel experience along the entire byway. Will reviewers want to drive the road after reading your description? Will they believe it is a regionally or nationally significant drive? Is the byway ready for travelers?
- 3. Regional Significance (National Scenic Byway).** If you decide to apply for designation as a National Scenic Byway, you will be asked to explain and justify what is special, significant or unique about your byway in relation to the primary Intrinsic Quality for which you are nominating the road (i.e., attributes your byway has that others may not possess) and why it is regionally significant to a geographic area encompassing two (2) or more States (essentially how it compares to other roads in your region). The reviewers will carefully examine the evidence you submit in their consideration of the significance of your primary Intrinsic Quality. Reviewers will expect to see clear statements about the significance of the byway's primary Intrinsic Quality and that the nomination presents conclusive documentation supporting the claims made. Prior to beginning the online nomination application process, applicants should conduct research on the existing America's Byways® collection. Please see a list of America's Byways® at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/Applicants> are also encouraged to review the information about the America's Byways® collection provided on this website so that you can assess and contrast the regionally significant attributes and qualities possessed by roads near the one you propose to designate.
- 4. National Significance (All-American Road).** If you decide to apply for designation as an All-American Road, you will be asked to explain and justify what is special, significant or unique about your byway in relation to the two (2) primary Intrinsic Qualities for which you are nominating the road (i.e., attributes your byway has that others may not possess) and why they are nationally significant. The reviewers will carefully examine the evidence you submit in their consideration of the significance of your primary Intrinsic Qualities. Remember that to be considered for All-American Road designation, the road or highway must be considered a destination unto

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Designation Readiness Worksheet

This is a self-evaluation tool byway leaders can use internally to establish your road has the national designation.

- [PDF](#) (51 KB)
- [HTML](#) (41 KB)

Image Style Guide

This document provides guidelines for providing NSBP with electronic images and tips for cre

- [PDF](#) (134 KB)
- [HTML](#)

National Scenic Byways Legislation

View portions of the U.S. Code and SAFETEA-LU that are relevant to the National Scenic Byw

- [PDF](#) (76 KB)
- [HTML](#)

Interim Policy, May 18, 1995

This document outlines the policy for establishment of the National Scenic Byways Program.

- [PDF](#) (23 KB)
- [HTML](#)

List of America's Byways (as of 2012)

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Important Documents

- Readiness Worksheet
- Image Style Guide
- Legislation and policy text links
- List of existing byways

Readiness Worksheet

Designation Readiness Worksheet – FY 2020 America’s Byways® Nomination Cycle

For Your Use Only - Worksheet Not to be Submitted with the Nomination Application.

The Federal Highway Administration has developed this worksheet to help you only as you begin to think about the kind of information you might be required to provide based on the [Interim Policy](#) (the principal policy for the program) and to help you understand on what is required to submit a FY 2020 nomination application, please refer to the [Interim Policy](#).

Seeking designation requires considerable effort and the collection and review of information for application. **Additional attachments beyond those requested in the application** are required to make notations, and verify that they have the information available to support the nomination for designation as one of America’s Byways®.

Assessing Our Documentation

We have discussed our interest in seeking national designation with the State, Indian tribe, or Federal land management agency and the requirements for submitting a nomination application to them for consideration.

The Interim Policy (principal policy) and 23 USC 162 (law guiding the NSBP Program) statements are reproduced below each section label.

State, Indian Tribe, Federal Land Management Agency Designation

To be considered for designation, a road must be nominated by a State, an Indian tribe, or a Federal land management agency (U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs) and must first be designated as a State scenic byway, an Indian tribe scenic byway, or, in the case of a road on Federal lands, as a Federal land management agency byway.

Nomination by Indian tribes: An Indian tribe may nominate a road as a National Scenic Byway only if a Federal land management agency (other than the Bureau of Indian Affairs), a State, or a political subdivision of a State does not have jurisdiction over the road or responsibility for managing the road. An Indian tribe shall maintain the safety and quality of the roads nominated by the Indian tribe.

States, Indian tribes, and Federal land management agencies shall notify each other regarding the nominations made for roads that are within the jurisdictional boundary of the State, Indian tribe or Federal land management agency; or directly connect to roads for which the State, Indian tribe, or Federal land management agency is responsible.

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Vehicles Accommodated A road or highway should safely and conveniently accommodate two-wheel-drive automobiles with standard clearances to be considered for designation as a National Scenic Byway or an All-American Road. In addition, <i>to be considered for All-American Road designation, roads or highways should safely accommodate conventional tour buses.</i> See Pages 5-7 of this worksheet for discussion of more extensive All-American Road designation requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/> At a minimum, the entire nominated route accommodates two wheel drive automobiles (unpaved roads, or sections of roads that are proposed for nomination that may be unpaved may be submitted for consideration for national designation but should meet this criterion).	<input type="checkbox"/> Accommodation evidence is available in the following sources: <input type="checkbox"/> Any limitations for R/V or large vehicles are noted.	Any issues we need to remember:
Provisions for Bikes & Pedestrians Roads or highways considered for National Scenic Byway and All-American Road designation should accommodate, wherever feasible, bicycle and pedestrian travel.	<input type="checkbox"/> Where possible, bicycle and/or pedestrian travel is safely accommodated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion available in the following sources:	Locations we will reference in the nomination application or on a map:
CMP Available for Submittal A scenic byways corridor management plan, prepared in accordance with Paragraph 9 of the Interim Policy, should be submitted and approved in order for any road or highway to be considered for National Scenic Byway of All-American Road designation. (See the Interim Policy for more details.) <i>To facilitate review, you will be required to submit this document in electronic form as part of your nomination application.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> The CMP for the nominated route clearly satisfies the required list from the Interim Policy detailed in Paragraph 9. <input type="checkbox"/> The CMP is available in electronic form	<input type="checkbox"/> List identifies page numbers from the CMP that discuss each required point from Paragraph 9(a) of the interim policy	Notes about CMP, citations, alternative discussion sources, other planning documents related to corridor planning:
Continuity An important criteria for both National Scenic Byways and All-American Roads is continuity. Neither should have too many gaps but rather should be as continuous as possible and should minimize intrusions on the visitor’s experience.	<input type="checkbox"/> Travelers can easily follow the route, even when gaps are present. <input type="checkbox"/> The nominated route is continuous or has minimal gaps. <input type="checkbox"/> Any gaps that exist do not diminish the traveler experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Explanations for gaps and/or intrusions that interrupt the continuity of the traveler experience can be provided (e.g., local zoning decisions, lack of community support, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Maps of the entire designated route are available <input type="checkbox"/> Maps indicate corridor boundaries, byway features, points of interest, communities and partners and clearly show gaps in the corridor <input type="checkbox"/> A summary describing all route segments is available. <input type="checkbox"/> Addresses/ intersections and	Description of route segments and gaps: Information we already have or that needs to be collected to document how travelers follow the byway: Maps or Information we already have that needs to be converted or scanned into an electronic format for



Byways List

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Collection of America's Byways®
Designated by U.S. Secretary of Transportation**

America's Byways Name	State	Designation (see Notes)	Intrinsic Qualities (see Notes)
Alabama's Coastal Connection	Alabama	NSB (2009)	S
Natchez Trace Parkway - Alabama	Alabama	AAR (1996)	H & S
Selma to Montgomery March Byway	Alabama	AAR (1996)	H & N
Talladega Scenic Drive	Alabama	NSB (1998)	S
Alaska's Marine Highway	Alaska	NSB (2002) AAR (2005)	S C & N
Glenn Highway	Alaska	NSB (2002)	S
The George Parks Highway Scenic Byway	Alaska	NSB (2009)	N
Haines Highway - Valley of the Eagles	Alaska	NSB (2009)	N
Seward Highway	Alaska	NSB (1998) AAR (2002)	R & S
Coronado Trail Scenic Byway	Arizona	NSB (2005)	S
Historic Route 66 - Arizona	Arizona	NSB (2005) AAR (2009)	H H & N
Kaibab Plateau - North Rim Parkway	Arizona	NSB (1998)	S
Red Rock Scenic Byway (Red Rock Scenic Road)	Arizona	AAR (2005)	S & R
Sky Island Scenic Byway	Arizona	NSB (2005)	N
Crowley's Ridge Parkway - Arkansas	Arkansas	NSB (1998)	N
Great River Road - Arkansas	Arkansas	NSB (2002)	H
Talimena Scenic Drive - Arkansas	Arkansas	NSB (2005)	S
Arroyo Seco Historic Parkway - Route 110	California	NSB (2002)	H

nia	AAR (1996)	H & S
nia	NSB (1998)	S
nia	NSB (2005)	S
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nia	NSB (1996)	N
nia	AAR (2002)	N & R
do	NSB (2005)	H
do	NSB (2002)	N
do	NSB (1998)	S
do	NSB (2000)	H
do	NSB (1996)	H
do	NSB (2009)	H
do	AAR (1996)	H & S
do	NSB (1998)	H
do	NSB (1998) NSB extension (2009)	S
do	NSB (2005)	A
do	AAR (1996)	N & S
cticut	NSB (1996)	S
cticut	NSB (1996)	H
re	NSB (2005)	H
	NSB (2002)	R
	NSB (2009)	N
	NSB (2009)	N
	AAR (2009)	R & S

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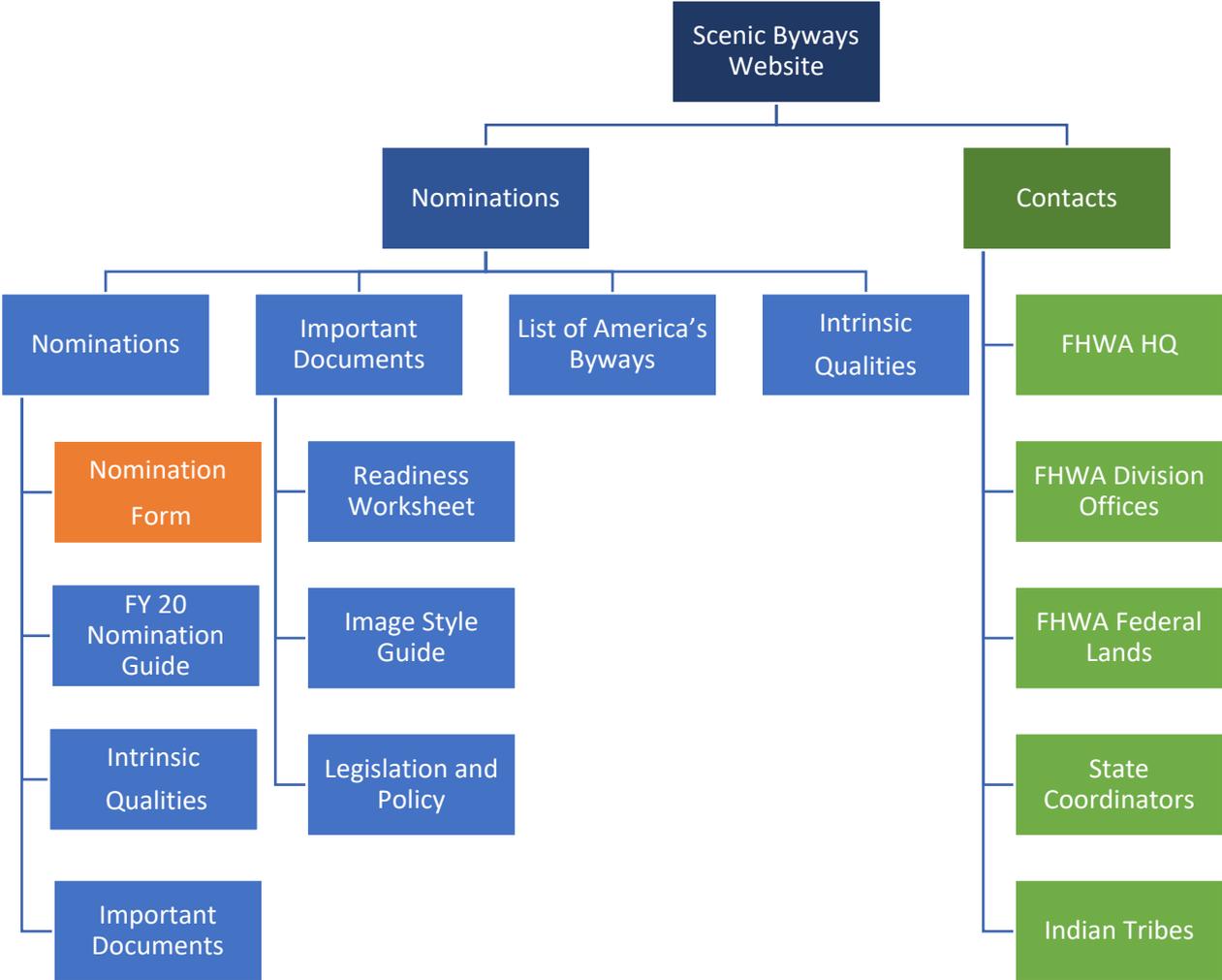
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Nominations

Introduction

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[NSBP Byway Nomination Form](#)

Use this online tool to submit FY 2020 Nomination Applications for designation to America's Byways®. All nominations must be submitted using the Byway Nomination Form by May 15, 2020.

FY 2020 Nomination Application Questions

This document ([PDF icon](#) - Updated 1/21/2020) is for use as a template to assist with nomination application preparation. **It is not the official nomination application, and will not be accepted as part of the final submission.**

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Byway Nomination Form



National Scenic Byways Program

Byway Nomination Form

Thank you for your interest in nominating a scenic byway. Your nomination must be completed and submitted by 11:59 P.M. ET, May 15, 2020.

Note: Before you start, please consider the following:

- The online Byway Nomination Form contains seven sections. Consider downloading the [FY 2020 Nomination Application Questions](#) document from the FHWA NSBP website that lists the questions on the Nomination Form. Edit the PDF to build your responses and then copy and paste the final version of your responses into the online Nomination Form.
- If you are nominating a byway that traverses more than one state, Tribal land, or federal land, you must submit a **multi-jurisdiction nomination**. For multi-jurisdiction nominations, applicants in each jurisdiction are required to submit **individual nomination applications for their portion of the byway**. For example, a byway that traverses North Dakota and South Dakota will consist of two nomination applications, one by ND that discusses the ND portion of the byway; the other by SD that discusses the SD portion of the byway. In this example, individuals from ND and SD should refer to the byway on their applications under the same byway name. [More about multi-jurisdiction nominations.](#)

Please visit the FHWA National Scenic Byways Program [website](#) for more information.

You must log in to proceed. If you don't have a user ID and password, please register.



Log In

Work Email:

Password:



Register

Don't have a log in ID?

[Register Now!](#)

- For questions about the FHWA's National Scenic Byways Program, contact [Danielle Blackshear](#), 202-366-2064.
- For technical issues or questions about the online Byways Nomination Form, contact [Gerry Flood](#), 617-494-3848.

Basic Rules for Users

- Users register and then access the form with a User Name and Password
- Nomination form consists of a Background page plus seven sections (see box to right)
- Some questions require users to upload PDFs, photos/images, and GIS shapefiles
- Users may incrementally complete the nomination (can save drafts of the nomination)

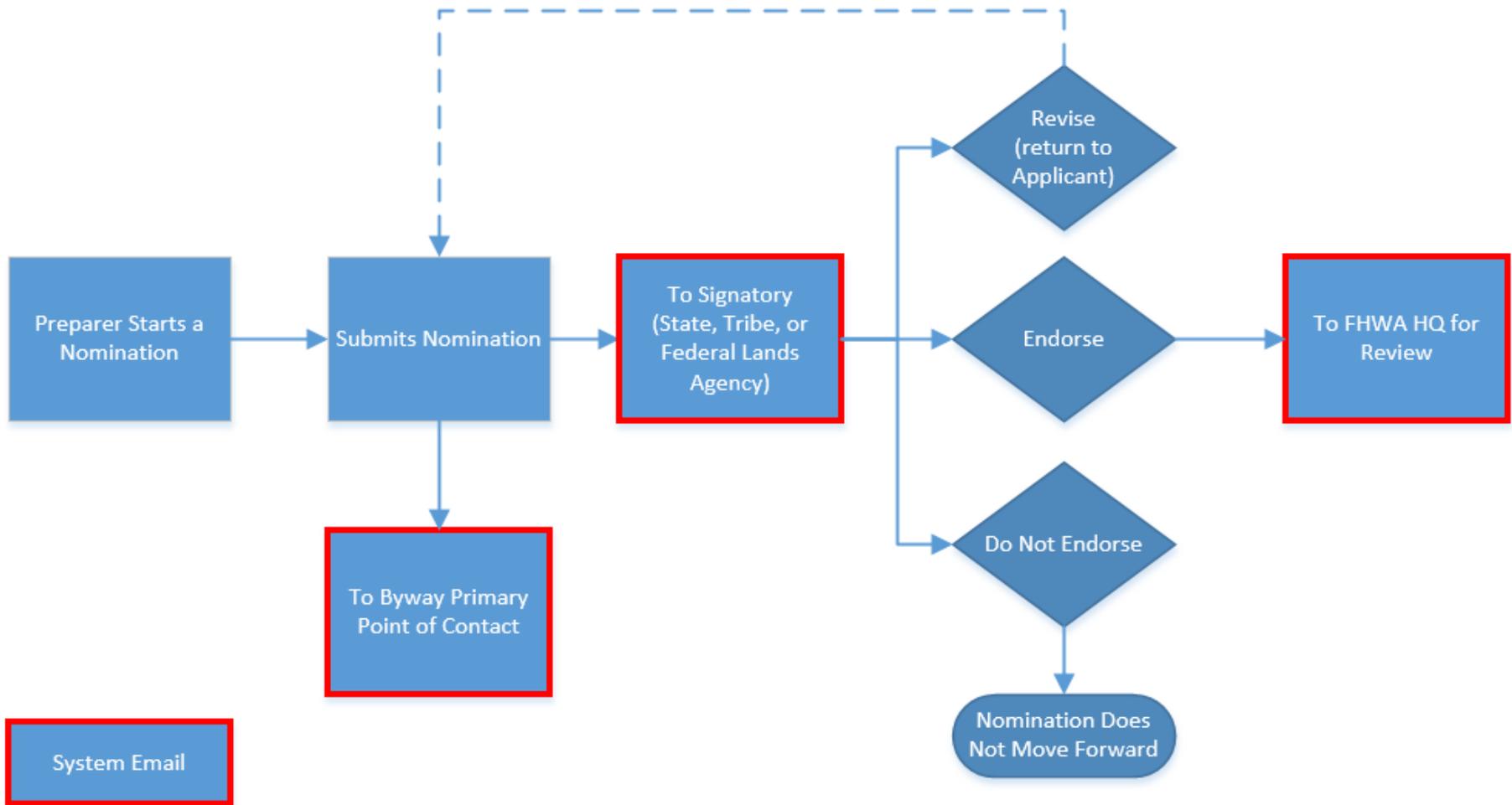
1. Background
2. Essential Information
3. Statement of Qualification
4. Route Information
5. Route Conditions
6. Visitor/Traveler Experience
7. Planning/Sustainability
8. Principal Points of Contact

Who Uses the Form and What are their Roles?

- **Preparer** fills-in the form and submits the completed nomination
- **Signatory*** endorses (or does not endorse) the nomination; your State, Tribal, or FLMA Coordinator
- **FHWA Division Point of Contact** acts as a resource to the Preparer, Signatory, or others when requested, as needed
- **Primary Point of Contact*** acts as a resource (to the signatory, FHWA); has in-depth knowledge about the nomination
- **FHWA Byways Team** oversees 2020 nomination cycle activity and can answer questions about the National Scenic Byway Program

*Responsibility of the **Preparer** to identify these individuals in the nomination form.

Online Submission Process



Nomination Portal

National Scenic Byways Program

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Status	Byway Name	Preparer	Preparer Organization	Preparer State	Multi-Jurisdiction	Type of Multi-Jurisdiction			Submission Agency	Desired Designation	Primary POC	Signatory	PDF File	Zip File
						Tribal	Federal Lands	Multi-State						
Draft	Northernlights Byway	Flood, Gerard	Town of Centerville	VA	Yes	No	No	VA, WV	XYZ	National Scenic Byway	Tom Kelly	Tom Kelly		
Revise	Western Byway	Johnson, Hope	Town of Newcastle	AZ	Yes	Yes	No	No	INC	National Scenic Byway	Jim Snow	Jim Snow		
Submitted	Southern Byway	Holoub, Amalia	City of Middleton	ND	No				ABC	All-American Road	Susan Moore	Danielle Morton		
Endorsed	Eastern Byway	Smith, Paul	City of Lubbock	TX	No				DEF	National Scenic Byway	Tom Jones	Tom Jones		
Not Endorsed	Southeastern Byway	Sullivan, Kathleen	City of Santa Fe	NM	Yes	No	No	AZ, CA, NM	JKL	All-American Road	Susan Davis	Susan Davis		

Demo of online Byway Nomination Form

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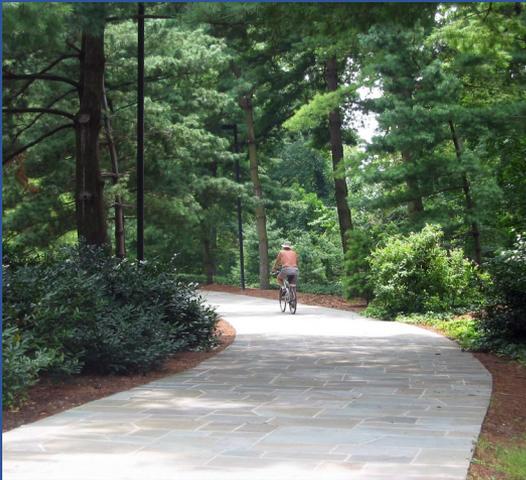
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Questions?



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**George Washington Memorial
Parkway**
Virginia
All-American Road



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/2279/photos/all>

Great River Road
Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky,
Louisiana, Minnesota,
Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee,
Wisconsin
National Scenic Byway



Source: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/byways/byways/13548/photos>

Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway
Minnesota
National Scenic Byway