

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF  
STATE HIGHWAY AND  
TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS



APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A  
U.S. BICYCLE ROUTE (AUGUST, 2018)

Member State Submitting Application: Florida

USBR No. 15 (Phase 1)

Date: 8/28/2018

**This is an application for (please check):**

- Establishment of a new U.S. Bicycle Route or segment
- Extension of a U.S. Bicycle Route or segment
- Relocation an existing U.S. Bicycle Route
- Deletion of a U.S. Bicycle Route or segment

Route Connects Florida-Georgia State Border and USBR 90  
(e.g., State Border, International Border, Existing US Bicycle Route, etc.)

The following state or states are involved: Florida, Georgia

**Map and Route Log**

**Attachment A: Map** (PDF the map in color and attach to this form)

**Attachment B: Route Log**

Use the following form (or similarly formatted spreadsheet file labeled "Attachment B" and submitted with your application) for turn-by-turn details of the U.S. Bicycle Route you are proposing for designation.

Starting Point of Route or Realignment	Miles traveled on this facility	Turn location and road name/ designation	General Direction of Travel
FL-GA State Line	0.0	The Georgia portion of USBR 15 will terminate at the Georgia/ Florida border on GA-31/FL-145	
FL-145	3.79	Continue south on FL-145 towards Pinetta, FL	South, southwest
NE Petunia Street/ NE Persimmon Dr.	0.07	Turn right onto NE Petunia Street/ NE Persimmon Dr. and continue straight for 0.07 miles.	West

NE Persimmon Dr.	0.16	Turn left at NE Persimmon Drive and continue straight for 0.16 miles.	South
Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail"	0.33	Get on Four Freedoms Trail at the intersection of NE Persimmon Dr. and NE 172 Ave. Continue straight for 0.33 miles.	South
Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail"	0.02	Right before NE Poppy Trail, Four Freedoms Trail jobs to the right, crosses Poppy Trail, and then is separated from roads. (Four Freedoms is on the west side of FL-145).	South
Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail"	2.70	Remain on shared use path parallel to FL-145 for 2.7 miles.	South
Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail"	0.06	Four Freedoms Trail crosses FL-145 right after NE 115th Avenue. Use the crosswalk provided. The trail now runs along the east side of FL-145.	East
Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail"	6.17	Straight on Madison County "Four Freedoms Trail" for 6.17 miles.	South
FL-145	0.30	"Four Freedoms Trail" ends at FL-145. Continue on FL-145, towards downtown Madison, FL. There isn't much of a paved shoulder.	Southwest, west
FL-145	0.28	Continue on FL-145, towards downtown Madison, FL. Starting at Rocky Ford Road there is a sidewalk on the left	Southwest, West

		side of the street you could walk along.	
FL-145/Duval Street	0.22	Turn left on Duval Street and continue straight to US 90. Share the road with motor vehicles.	South
<b>Terminus: Intersection of FL-145/Duval Street and US 90/E Base Street</b>	<b>Total Mileage: 14 miles</b>		

**By signing below, the applicant attests to the following statements:**

The state affirms that this application complies with the current *Purpose and Policy in Establishment and Extending United States Bicycle Routes*.

The State agrees and pledges its good faith that it will not erect, remove, or significantly alter any U.S. Bicycle Route, including markers and/or maps, without the authorization, consent, or approval of the *Standing Committee on Highways of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials*, notwithstanding the fact that the changes proposed are entirely within this State.

The state affirms concurrence from all regional and local agencies that have ownership or operational authority over any part of the proposed routing of the U.S. Bicycle Route within this state.

Florida  
Member State

  
Signature of State DOT Chief Executive Officer or other authorized official

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Date

*(A letter from your Member State Chief Executive Officer with a signature is sufficient for the completion of this application, if the agency chooses not to include the signature on this form.)*

**Member State contact person:**

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Title: Multimodal Data System Coordinator

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**RESOLUTION 2018-08-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING U.S. BICYCLE ROUTE 15 (PHASE 1) THROUGH THE COUNTY OF MADISON**

WHEREAS, a national network of bicycle routes which will link urban, suburban, and rural areas using a variety of appropriate cycling facilities is under development across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a corridor generally along State Route 145 and Madison County Four Freedoms Trail in Madison County, Florida to be developed as the initial phase of United States Bicycle Route 15 (USBR 15), and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation has adopted a *Policy on U.S. Numbered Bicycle Routes* calling for the establishment of USBR 15 (Phase 1) in Florida; and

WHEREAS, a route that departs from the Florida-Georgia state line on SR 145 and ending in Madison, FL at SR 145 and US 90, as shown on the accompanying map is recommended as a preferable route for cyclists for USBR 15 passing through the County of Madison, Florida and can therefore provide a benefit to our residents and businesses, and

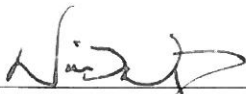
WHEREAS, we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be a suitable route, and desire that the route be designated so that it can promote bicycle tourism in our area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Madison hereby express their approval and support of the development, mapping and signing of USBR 15 (Phase 1), and requests that the appropriate officials see to it that the route is officially designated by AASHTO as soon as this can be achieved.

DULY ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2018.

ATTEST:

MADISON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By:   
William Washington, Clerk of the Court

By:   
Roy W. Vickers, Chairman

# Board of County Commissioners Madison County, Florida

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August 22, 2018

Mary O'Brien, State Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinator  
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To Whom It May Concern:

**Madison County** would like to offer our support to designate the portion of NE Petunia Street between FL-145 and NE Persimmon Drive for the designation of proposed U.S. Bicycle Route 15 (USBR 15). Additionally, Madison County endorses having the route mapped and signed.

The U.S. Bicycle Route System is a bicycle based transportation system sponsored by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). The proposed USBR 15 begins near Syracuse, New York, passes through Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Georgia before entering Florida in Madison County, extending to Tampa and ending in Miami.

There are benefits to being a part of, or nearby, a U.S. Bicycle Route. Bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$47 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists. Mapping and signing the proposed route for USBR 15 will promote bicycle tourism in the area, providing a benefit to residents and businesses. The Madison County Four Freedoms Trail stands to benefit from this opportunity through increased promotion, visibility and usership. The surrounding communities will benefit both economically and from the health and environmental related benefits of encouraging bicycle travel in the region.

Therefore, Madison County hereby expresses its support for the portion of NE Petunia Street between FL-145 and NE Persimmon Drive to be designated, signed and mapped as USBR 15, and requests that the appropriate officials nominate the route for AASHTO designation as soon as this can be achieved.

Sincerely,

Signed:  Date: 9-22-18

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**Resolution of Support  
For U.S. Bicycle Route 15 (Phase 1) through the  
City of Madison, Florida**

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Signed: Ina Thompson Date: August 31, 2018

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# USBR 15 in Florida: Phase 1

Georgia

Florida

Four Freedoms Trail

State Road 145

Pinetta

Hanson

County Road 53

Four Freedoms Trail

State Road 145

## Legend

● Turns on USBR 15

● Cities

— State Roads

— Trails

— USBR 15 Phase 1

— Roads

— FDOT Districts

State Hwy 6

Madison

US 90

US 90

County Road 14

County Road 53

