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NJDOT dedicates Upper Freehold Historic Farmland Byway

(Trenton) - New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Commissioner Kris Kolluri today joined Allentown, Upper Freehold and Monmouth County officials at the Historic Walnford Mill to dedicate the Upper Freehold Historic Farmland Byway as the newest New Jersey Scenic Byway. [The Scenic Byway program](#) recognizes transportation corridors with regionally outstanding significance and cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, and natural qualities eccentricities

"Designating the Upper Freehold Historic Farmland Byway will provide visitors a glimpse into unique farms and landmarks that helped preserve an agricultural way of life in Allentown and Upper Freehold," said Commissioner Kolluri. "Preserving open space along this highway corridor will protect its colonial history and natural beauty."

The [24-mile scenic byway offers a tour](#) of over 12,000 acres of preserved farmland and three watersheds. The tour begins at the Presbyterian Church adjacent to the Allentown Historic District and ends at the Historic Walnford Village in Crossweek's Creek Park, taking visitors along panoramic stretches of County Routes 539 (High Street), 524 (New Canton-Stone Tavern Road), 526 (Trenton-Lakewood Road), 27 (Burlington Path Road) and Walnford Road.

The route highlights working farms including the Horse Park of New Jersey and historic districts and sites such as Allentown, Walnford, Imlaystown, and the Old Yellow Meeting House.

The Upper Freehold dedication marks the fifth Scenic Byway in the state of New Jersey. The Delaware River Byway, the Millstone Valley Byway, the Southern Pinelands Natural Heritage Trail and the Palisades Interstate Parkway were previously dedicated.

The goals of the Scenic Byway program are to expand public awareness of these corridors; improve the quality of the byways; provide quality locations for recreational endeavors and to foster state and local partnerships with the federal government.

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