

Scenic Roads and Byways

The National Scenic Byways Program was established in 1991 by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) in order to “identify, designate and promote scenic byways and to protect and enhance the recreational, scenic, historic and cultural qualities of the areas through which these byways pass.” The Vermont Byways Program was established in 1998 through the Scenery Preservation Council. Designated scenic byways are eligible for Federal transportation funds for improvements related to tourism or resource conservation. Any reconstruction or improvement of a designated scenic road must conform to standards established by the agency. Vermont’s scenic roads are shown in Figure 2.10.

Figure 2.10 Vermont Scenic Roads and Byways

