



Subsection 3: Clinton County

In Clinton County, the Lincoln Highway travels through five communities: Clinton, DeWitt, Grand Mound, Calamus, and Wheatland.

Archaeological, Natural, Recreational, and Scenic Intrinsic Qualities

Background

The Mississippi River, on the east side of the county, forms the border between Iowa and Illinois and gives Clinton County its irregular shape on the east and is known today as Ol' Man River, The Big Muddy, Old Blue, The Gathering of Waters, and other nicknames. The name "Mississippi" comes from either the Ojibwe or Algonquin word "misi-zibi," meaning "great river." The Mississippi River, beginning in Lake Itasca MN, runs 2,341 miles to the Gulf of Mexico.

The Wapsipinicon River flows to the south on the western side of the county and then in a zig-zagged, almost directly east direction. This river gives the county its non-uniform southern border. Most counties in Iowa are rectangular in shape and only have irregular shapes due to either the Mississippi or Missouri River. Clinton County has both an east and southern non-uniform shape.

According to archeologists, the Oneota culture inhabited vast portions of Eastern, Central, and Northwestern Iowa from 1200-1700 A.D. It is possible to find their human remains in Clinton County buried with whistles crafted from bone, ceramic pottery, and jewelry made from copper, brass, shells, and beads. In September 2015, while preparing a site for a parking lot and retaining wall near the Clinton County Administration building, a human skeleton was unearthed and sent to the State Archaeology Office for analysis. Tradition indicates that this could possibly be a Native American burial ground. In the 1960's, two boys found two or more skeletons in the same location.

Clinton County had some of the earliest settlers in Iowa after the land west of the Mississippi opened up for settlement. There are 23 pioneer cemeteries in the county, which can attest to that fact.

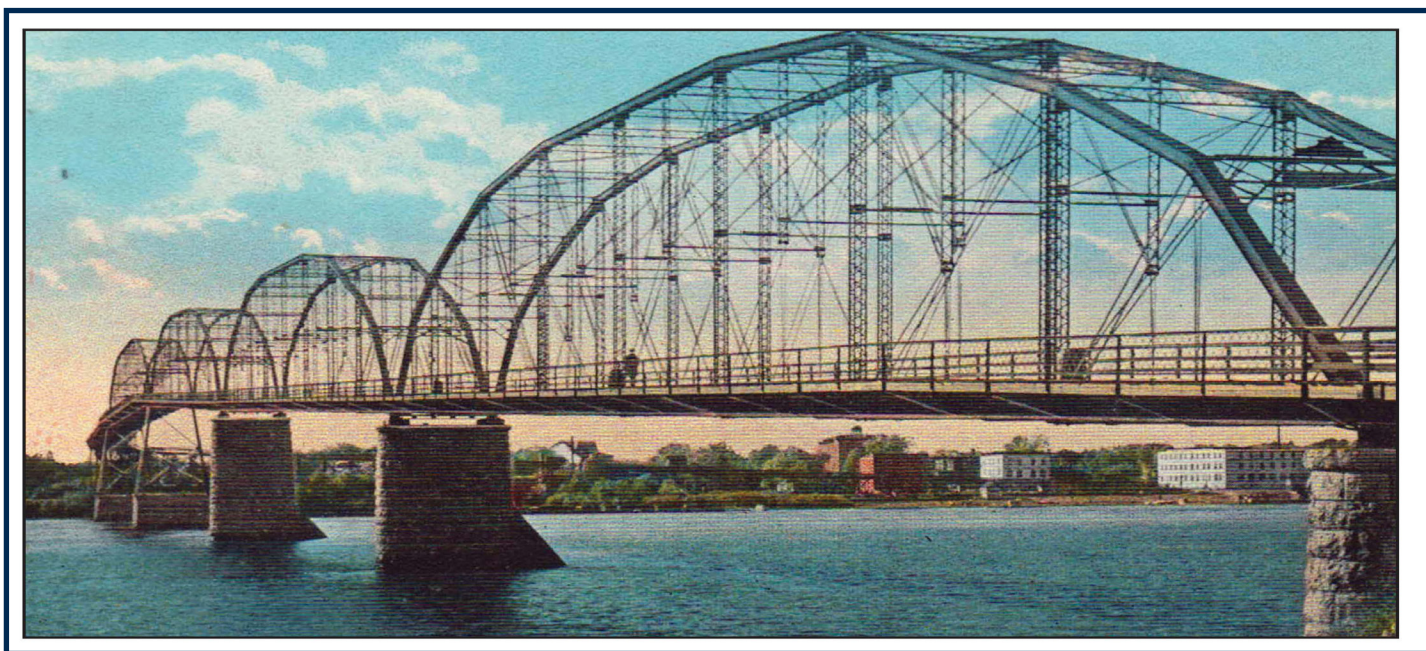
The original Clinton county seat was the town of Camanche. In 1841, it moved to the city of Vandenburg. By 1841-42, that town petitioned to change its name to DeWitt to further honor DeWitt Clinton, Governor of New York, the driving force behind the Erie Canal. As the population grew more rapidly along the river, the towns of Lyons and Clinton fought for the right to become the new county seat. Clinton won out and the citizens of DeWitt, not wanting to lose the distinction of being the county seat, hid the bell from their courthouse by burying it in the Elmwood Cemetery. Later, when a bell was needed for the Christian Chapel (now Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church), the same people retrieved the bell from the graveyard. The town of Lyons is now part of Clinton, which is now known as the Lyons District, and is on the north edge of Clinton.

In 1878 and again in 1897, new courthouses were built in Clinton. The location for the 1897 building had some construction problems due to quicksand. After some delays and additional costs, the new Romanesque-style courthouse was built of granite and Red Indian Pipestone from Minnesota, and its large central tower of copper has weathered to a bright green color. It still stands today.



Clinton County Courthouse

Traveling to the western part of the county and away from the Mississippi River, the landscape changes to agricultur-



The Lyons-Fulton Bridge

al with fields of row crops, mostly corn and soybeans.

Clinton County, Nature, and the Lincoln Highway

As the railroad came through Iowa first and laid its rails, it formed towns, caused towns to move, or even to fail. Often towns were named by railroad officials or after these officials. Two communities in Clinton County did not follow that rule. Calamus is named for the nearby creek that received its name for the *Acorus calamus* or Sweet Flag plant that grew nearby. German settlers from Wunderhausen named Wheatland after President Buchanan's estate.

The railroad became successful in Iowa over a few years and the Chicago Northwestern Roundhouse was once the largest of its kind in the nation. The railroad built bridges and found the flattest and driest path to lay their rail lines. Years later, the Lincoln Highway faced some of the same challenges as it navigated alongside the rail line in Iowa. How and where was the best place to cross the Mississippi River? The Lyons (Iowa)-Fulton (Illinois) Bridge was determined to be the best place to enter Iowa from the east. The Lyons-Fulton Bridge, built in 1891, has now been removed and a newer one built to the south. Prior to bridges all trains, horses, wagons, and people crossed by ferry. Bridges simplified crossing a large river such as the Big Muddy (Mississippi River).

The Lincoln Highway was developed in 1913, with the route created by existing roads, dirt roads, and wagon trails. In 1919, an Army truck convoy tested out the Lincoln Highway from Gettysburg to San Francisco. Eighty vehicles loaded with 300 men made the trip. In several

locations, it was found bridges were not sturdy enough to carry this load. Many bridges collapsed, but the Lyon-Fulton Bridge survived.

In the early days of the Lincoln Highway, one newspaper counted 400 cars passing the Clinton Courthouse in one hour one evening. Traveling the Lincoln Highway was a popular thing to do. By 1923, there were 38 miles of paved Lincoln Highway from the city of Clinton to Lowden.

At the intersection of US 30 and 67, there stands an original Lincoln Highway marker and a brick pillar with a limestone capstone with the red, white, and blue Lincoln Highway Association logo, and a plaque to honor W. F. Coan, the initial consul of the Lincoln Highway Association for the State of Iowa.

The town of DeWitt is at the intersection of the Blues Highway (#61) and the Lincoln Highway (#30) at 10th St and 6th Ave.

Just outside of Wheatland are three historic bridges. One is completely blocked off from traffic and the other two are need of attention. Clinton County may sell these bridges to neighbors and discontinue their public use. The area is abundant with wildlife and the remains of an earlier Lincoln Highway alignment is seen deep in the woods that has grown around it.

Wildlife/Natural Areas

The largest natural area in part of Clinton County and managed federally is the Upper Mississippi Wildlife Refuge and includes parts of four states: Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa,

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and Minnesota. It was established in 1924 with 240,000 acres as a refuge for fish, wildlife, and plants. It serves as a breeding place for migrating birds, with wooded islands, waters and marshes. The Mississippi River bottom is two to five miles wide. Primitive camping is allowed but for no longer than 14 days. Equipment left unattended over 24 hours is subject to impoundment. Campfires are permitted, but no tree cutting, littering, collecting, controlled substances, private structures, and no firearms or fireworks (except for arms used by a licensed hunter or trapper during the season) are allowed. Alcoholic beverages are permitted except while hunting. Public assemblies permitted with special permission from Refuge Manager. The refuge is for the benefit of migratory birds, fish, plants and animals. Visitors should avoid disturbing Heron and Egret rookeries, eagle nests, ducks, young wildlife, turtle nests, snakes and other animals that share the refuge with humans as it is their home. (42.8488956,-91.895438)

Two other federally managed areas are Bulger's Hollow Recreational Area in the northeast section of the county (41.9364756,-90.1846048) and Lock and Dam #13 in Clinton on the Mississippi River (41.5353,-90.0921).

Syracuse Wildlife Area (41.8297139,-90.7958897) is 538 acres managed by the DNR for hunting in lowland and timber for waterfowl, deer, and turkey. It has primitive camping, hiking, fishing, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling. Three other state managed areas are Barber Creek Wildlife Area (41.7714297,-90.6202366), Goose Lake Wildlife Area (41.9611224,-90.3982162), and Wapsi Wildlife Area (41.7679715,-90.5669804).

Clinton County Conservation manages 2,030 acres of parks, wildlife areas, preserves, and marinas. A few along or near the Lincoln Highway are:

- Killdeer Recreation Area is 16 acres (including a 12-acre lake) with picnicking, fishing, ice fishing, boating and pit toilets (41.8126942,-90.4655089).
- Syracuse Access is one acre and has access to the Wapipinicon River for fishing, boating, and has a boat ramp. This area is subject to flooding and may be closed periodically (41.831624,-90.794641).
- Grand Mound Conservation Area is 16 acres of undeveloped habitat area, just south of the Lincoln Highway, near the town of Grand Mound (41.825243,-90.6252546).
- Malone Park is a 30 acre park with a nine-acre fishing and swimming pond. It has picnicking areas, beach area, boating, shelter, prairie restoration, disc golf, and pit toilets (41.813185,-90.5669804).

Fishing Access, Marinas, and Boat Ramps

A new fishing access between 5th and 6th Ave., north



Upper Mississippi Wildlife Refuge

on Riverview Dr., just south of the Showboat Theater is handicapped accessible. There is also fishing accessibility along the Discovery Trail which begins at Riverview Dr and 9th Ave. North. The indigenous fish found in the Mississippi River are Bluegill, Sunfish, Crappie, Largemouth Bass, Channel Cat, Walleye, Sauger, Bullhead, Smallmouth Bass, Northern Pike, Flathead Catfish, and Yellow Bass.

The riverfront area where the Lincoln Highway crosses the Mississippi and enters Iowa has been renovated and the marina at 511 Riverview Dr. contains 150 slips from 20-50 feet. They welcome transients, but reservations are recommended. The marina has full service amenities including shower rooms, laundry, gas and diesel, pump-out station, 4-lane boat launch and boater's store. The Candlelight Inn on the second floor of marina offers dining inside or on the deck. There are courtesy slips for dining, but it is suggested to call ahead.

Another marina is in Camanche, called the Rock Creek Marina at 3942 291st St. and is located on the backwaters of the Mississippi River. It offers camping, paddle boat, canoe, boat and cabin rentals, marina, and camp store (41.7583137,-92.8395849).

Public boat ramps are located at:

- 30th Ave. North and McKinley
- 25th Ave. North and Harding St.
- 9th Ave. North on Riverview Dr.
- 19th Ave. South and 5th Ave.

Other Locations of Note

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- Discovery Trail is a 14 mile trail starting at Eagle Point Park, through downtown Clinton and ending in the town of Camanche. It is dedicated to three Clinton County Astronauts: Commander Dale A. Gardner (US Navy), Dr. George D. (Pinky) Nelson, Col David C. Hilmers (US Marine Corp). It has tennis courts, swimming, a minor league baseball park, and camping along the trail (41.8976584,-90.1752079).
- The Bickelhaupt Arboretum, 340 S 14th St., Clinton, is a nationally recognized 14-acre outdoor museum of shrubs, ground covers, perennials, and annuals. There is also a Monarch butterfly watch station, bird haven, and herb garden.
- The Soaring Eagle Nature Center, privately-owned at 4201 N. 3rd St., Clinton, offers hiking trails, natural prairie, one-room schoolhouse, nature center, and a butterfly garden (41.8921122, -90.1821292).
- Blue Heron Eco Cruises are given by the Clinton County Conservation Board at Rock Creek Marina and Campground, south of Camanche on Thursday evenings and led by a naturalist (41.7684321,-90.329636).
- The Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center, 3942 291st St., Camanche, houses a 9,000 gallon aquarium with species from the Mississippi River along with wetland displays, highlighting reptiles, amphibians, water fowl, and other species that call the backwaters and sloughs of the area home. It also has a large collection of replicas of State of Iowa record fish species (41.7503285,-90.3302446).
- Lyons Four Square Park, at Main Ave. and Roosevelt St. in the Historic Lyons District, has a gazebo and bandshell.



Blue Heron Eco-Cruise

- Legends Sports Bar and Grill (for billiards), 2118 Harrison Dr., Clinton.
- There are many smaller neighborhood parks managed by the City of Clinton and offer playgrounds and other opportunities for recreation.
- The Oaks Golf and Dining, 3330 Harts Mill Rd., Clinton.
- Plaza Bowl of Clinton, 1119 North 2nd St., Clinton.
- Prairie Pastures Dog Park on N. 3rd St. in Clinton is on a site of a former zoo, so it offers 8 acres of off-leash adventures for dogs of all ages, including unusual structures, varied terrain, and a swimming pond (41.7503285,-90.1821292).
- Riverview Swimming Pool, 101 S. 1st Ave., in Clinton offers lap swimming and a water slide.
- Wild Rose Casino, 777 Wild Rose Dr., Clinton

Scenic Views

The Eagle Point Park, 3900 N. 3rd St., was established in 1937 on 200 acres and has a rustic lodge with large glass windows. The park offers panoramic views of the Mississippi River and the birds, plants, and animals that call the area home. The area is home to migrating bald eagles, wild geese, ducks, turtles, and cranes. Nearby lily pads, when in bloom, are spectacular. Watching barges and other water craft travel through the Lock and Dam #13 is a favorite activity for both residents and visitors.

Historical and Cultural Intrinsic Qualities

Buildings and Objects of Note

Perhaps because of the proximity to the Mississippi River and the east/west railroad line, the cities of Clinton, DeWitt, and Low Moor were considered three of the strongest points along the Underground Railroad system, which in the 1850s spirited slaves out of the south.

Other Recreational Opportunities

- Canyon Creek Golf, 1871 420th Ave., Clinton
- DeWitt Aquatic Center, 1000 14th St., is on the north side of town and has a zero depth entry and waterslides.
- Emma Young Park, 11th Ave. N and N. 14th St., in Clinton has ball fields, tennis courts, cross-country skiing, hiking and biking trails, playground equipment, concessions, picnic tables, restrooms and shelters, lake area, and a golf hitting area.
- Felix Adler Children's Discovery Center, 332 8th Ave. S, is named for world-famous clown and Clinton native, Felix Adler. It has 20 permanent and traveling interactive exhibits.
- Imperial Lanes, 823 S. Washington Blvd., Camanche.



View from Eagle Point Park



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Between 1850 and 1900, the towns of Lyons and Clinton became the center of the lumber industry and the area was known as the “Lumber Capitol of the World.” Huge log rafts floated down from Wisconsin and Minnesota bringing logs to be cut into lumber to Clinton and then shipped by rail or by river. Between 1850 and 1890, Clinton boasted 13 resident millionaires - more millionaires per capita than any other town or city in the nation. A typical saw mill employed 300 men and boys who worked 10 hour days, six days a week. Clinton and Lyons hosted three steamboats per day, or 1200 per year. By 1900, the northern forests were depleted and mills closed.



Curtis Mansion

Large homes or mansions were built in Lyons and Clinton for the many lumber barons, like the Curtis Mansion at 420 5th Ave. S, home now to the Clinton’s Women’s Club. The Randall House was a plush 300-room hotel which never opened its doors for business. Completed in the depth of financial panic in 1857, no one could be found to lease or operate it. A group of Lyons investors traded the building for land in South Dakota. In 1880, the Randall House was dismantled and shipped by rail to South Dakota.

The Sawmill Museum, 2231 Grant St in the Lyons District, pays tribute to this history and has a recreated 1888 lumberjack camp for kids to explore, a Struve mill where a piece of lumber can be followed from rough cut slab to a smooth chair leg, and a restored 1920s sawmill in action. The newest exhibit is an animated “Meet the Lumber Barons” display.

The Clinton County Historical Society and Museum, 601 S. 1st St., is housed in a building built in 1858 as the Commission House for Steamboat. It was sold to the Oakes family for their lumberyard, which operated until 1983. In 1995, the Society bought it and made it into a museum.

The town of Clinton offers a walking tour which starts at Clinton County Museum and goes to the Lafayette Hotel, the Moeszinger-Marwes Building, and Carnegie Library.



German Hausbarn in DeWitt

The town of DeWitt, a former Clinton County seat, has

an 1878 Opera House, Central Community Historical Museum at 628 6th Ave., and a 1727 German Hausbarn from Schleswig-Holstein brought over from central Germany and re-assembled in 2008. The Hausbarn is located at 1010 6th St. and is used as a museum and as the Chamber of Commerce office.

The post office in DeWitt has a mural painted in 1938 called *Shucking Corn* by John Bloom.



The Shucking Corn mural in the DeWitt Post Office

Wineries and Breweries

Wide River Winery, 1776 E. Deer Creek Rd., is along the bluffs of the Mississippi River at its widest point. Visitors can visit the tasting room, picnic on the deck, or hike the bluff trail for striking views of the Mississippi River and the six acres of vineyards (41.91892,-90.18454177).

Tycoga Vineyard and Winery, 2585 195th St. in DeWitt, opened in 2014 and has an event center, tasting room, and production room (41.8933344,-90.5925965).

Events

- The Lumberjack Festival is held every June at the Sawmill Museum with world class competitors showing their lumberjack skills.
- The Clinton Area Showboat Theater is a professional reparatory theater that performs musical and comedies on a restored old river paddle boat. It is located in the Riverview Park area.
- Clinton Symphony Orchestra concerts are held at the Riverview band shell as well as Juneteenth and the Clinton 4th of July celebrations.
- The Gateway Contemporary Ballet is a pre-professional ballet group that performs at open air concerts and festivals, as well as introducing ballet into schools.
- Felix Adler Days is held every June, complete with a circus.
- Lyons Farmer’s Market is held May-November on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings.
- DeWitt holds “Tunes in Town” every Tuesday from June to August in Lincoln Park, between two alignments of the Lincoln Highway.
- Grand Mound’s Steam Thresher Show and Car Show are held every July.



Sports Teams

- Clinton is home to the Clinton LumberKings, a Class 1A Baseball team. They are an affiliate of the Seattle Mariners. Games are held April to September at the Ashford University Field.
- The Muddy River Rugby Football Team plays August to November at the George O'Morris Park as part of the USA Rugby Division III Men's Competition.

Colleges and Universities

- The Lyons Female College was the state's first educational institution for young ladies, opening in 1858. In 1872, it metamorphosed into Our Lady of Angels Seminary and operated until 1965. The aging buildings were razed in 1969.
- In 1875, the Riverside Institute opened in the empty Randall House and was affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Church, though not under its control. It went down in the 1880s as other institutions sprung up.
- Wartburg, a Lutheran college, was founded in 1868 in Galena, Illinois, moving to Mendoata, Illinois in 1874; then again to Waverly, Iowa in 1885; and to Clinton, Iowa in 1894. Instruction was given half in English and half in German. In 1935, the college moved back to Waverly where it found its permanent home.
- Clinton Community College was founded in 1946 as World War II veterans returned from the service. It is now a 2-year college offering Associate in Arts (AA) and Associate in Science (AS) degrees and is part of the Eastern Iowa Community Colleges along with Muscatine and Scott County Community Colleges.



The LumberKings were 2016 Western Division Champions

Famous People Along the Lincoln Highway

- Duke Slater, All-American football player who played at University of Iowa and professionally for 10 years. He is enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame.
- Marcus Childs, a Pulitzer winning author.
- Lillian Russell, Comic Opera and Vaudeville singer and actress. Born Helen Louise Leonard in 1861 in Clinton, moved to Chicago at age 5 and eventually to New York City.
- Felix Adler, famous circus clown.
- Ruby Bell Rickoff, "Madame Coretta," a world famous little person, who at age 13 was 30 inches tall and weighed 19 lbs.
- First triplets born in Iowa (names not found).



Duke Slater



Lillian Russell



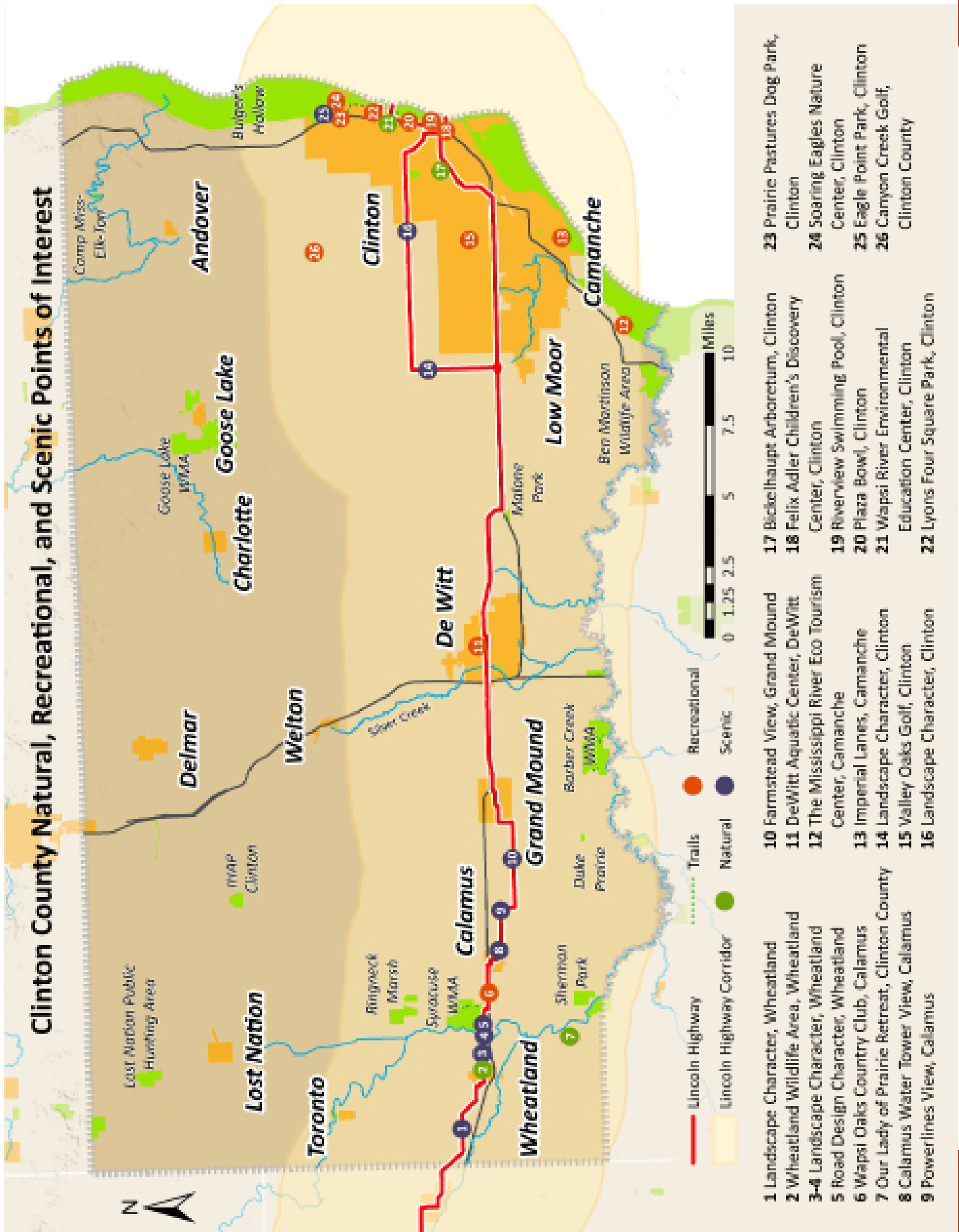
Van Allen Building, Clinton



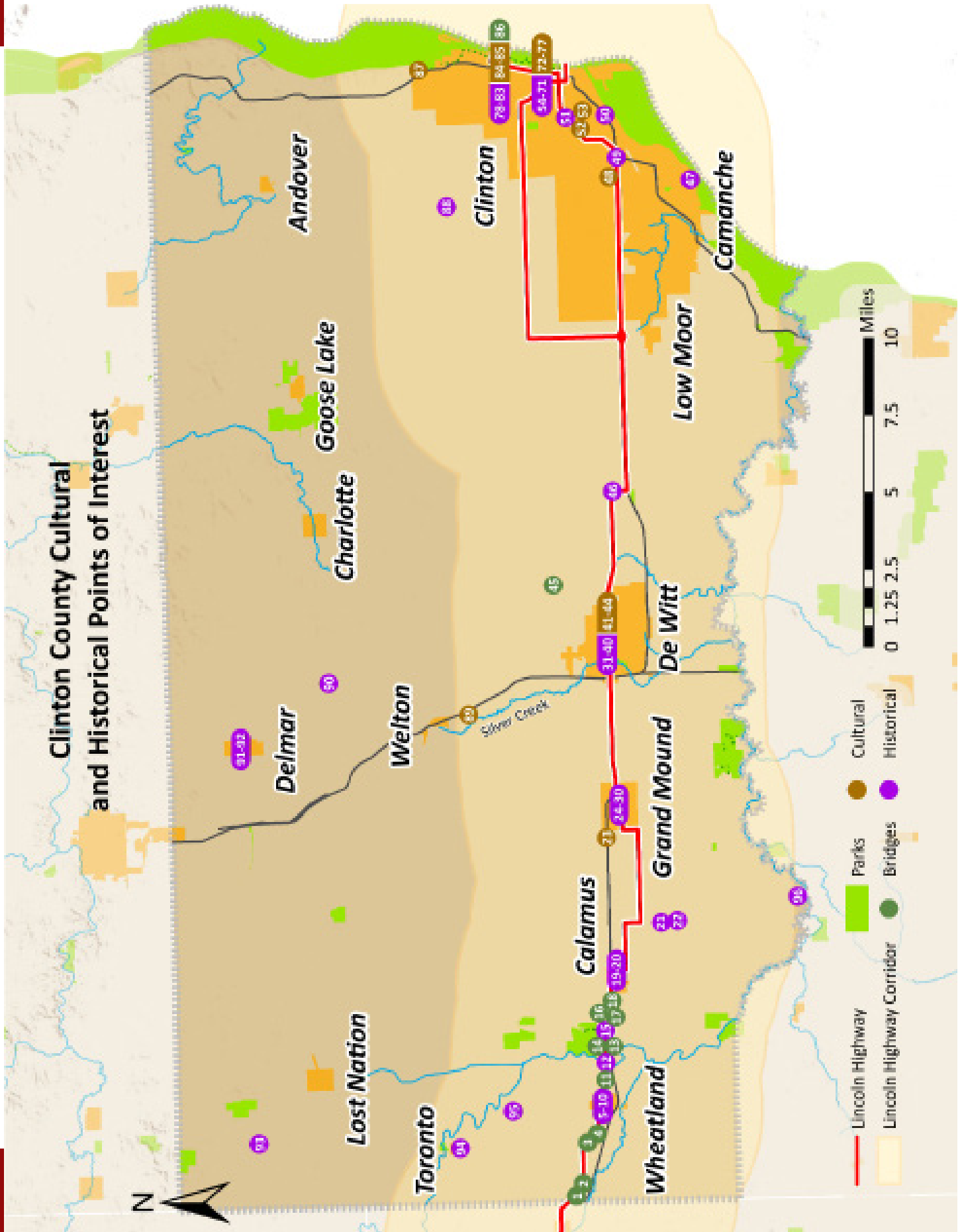
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National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)

County	City	Name	Location
Clinton	DeWitt	Ames Creek Bridge	300th St. over Ames Cr.
Clinton	Clinton	Ankeny Building	201 5th Ave. South
Clinton	Camanche	Horace Anthony House	1206 Anthony Pl.
Clinton	Clinton	Castle Terrace Historic District	Roughly along jct. of Terrace Dr. and Caroline Ave.
Clinton	Clinton	Cherry Bank Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Depot	1458 Main Ave. West of Main St., between Railroad St. & Clinton Ave.
Clinton	Wheatland	City Hotel	214 South Main St.
Clinton	Clinton	Clinton County Courthouse	Between 6th & 7th Aves.
Clinton	Clinton	Clinton High School & Public Library	600 South 4th St.
Clinton	Clinton	Clinton Public Library	306 8th Ave. South
Clinton	Clinton	George M. Curtis House	420 South 5th Ave.
Clinton	Delmar	Delmar Calaboose	Vane St.
Clinton	Clinton	Peter Dierks House	IA 136, 5 mi. west of Clinton
Clinton	Grand Mound	Dugan's Saloon	516 Smith St.
Clinton	Grand Mound	Farmers and Merchants Savings Bank	601 Smith St.
Clinton	Clinton	First National Bank	226 5th Ave. South
Clinton	Grand Mound	Grand Mound Town Hall and Water- works Historic District	613-615 Clinton St.
Clinton	Grand Mound	Helvig-Olson Farm Historic District	2008 260th St.
Clinton	Clinton	Howes Building	419-425 2nd St. South
Clinton	Calamus	George Johnson House	2566 190th Ave.
Clinton	Calamus	Kvindherred Lutheran Church, School, and Cemetary	2589 190th Ave.
Clinton	Clinton	Lamb-Lafayette House	317 7th Ave. South
Clinton	Clinton	Moeszinger-Marquis Hardware Co.	721 2nd St. South
Clinton	Clinton	Saint Boniface Church	2500 North Pershing Blvd.
Clinton	Clinton	Saint Irenaeus Church	2811 North 2nd St.
Clinton	Lost Nation	Sharon Methodist Episcopal Church	1223 125th St.
Clinton	Clinton	Van Allen Store	5th Ave. & South 2nd St.
Clinton	Clinton	Wilson Buildings	211-219 5th Ave. South
Clinton	Delmar	Wilson District #7 School	1507 270th Ave.



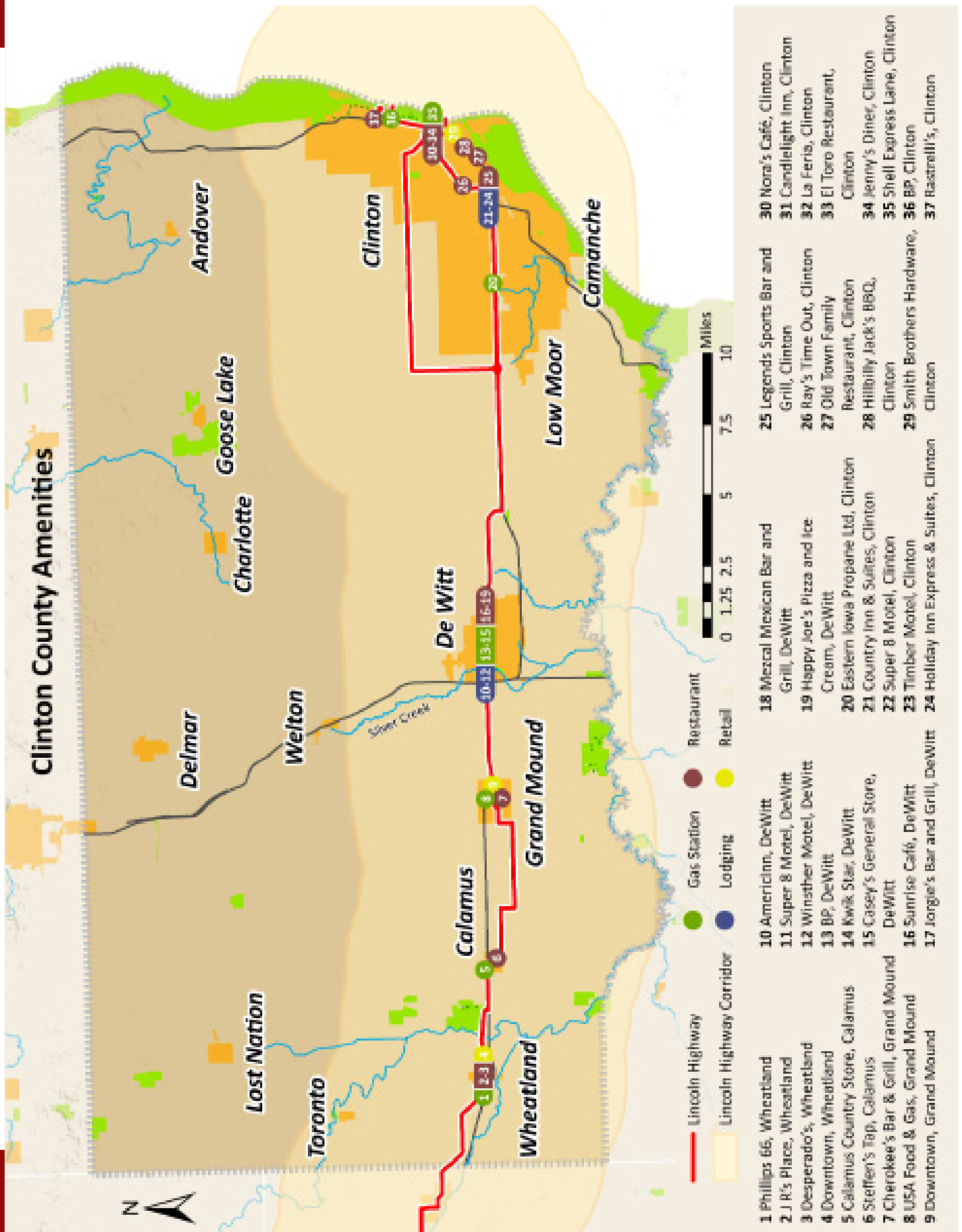
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Clinton County Cultural and Historical Points of Interest

- 1 Concrete Culvert, Clinton County
- 2-4 Concrete Culvert and Headwalls, Clinton County
- 5 Roadway Grade, Wheatland
- 6 Road Design, Wheatland
- 7 City Hotel, Wheatland
- 8 Curtis Memorial Library, Wheatland
- 9 Old Cemetery, Wheatland
- 10 Downtown, Wheatland
- 11 Lake Bridge, Wheatland
- 12 Original Guard Rail Detail, Wheatland
- 13 I-Beam Bridge, Wheatland
- 14 Third Wapsipinicon Bridge, Wheatland
- 15 Original Guard Rail Detail, Calamus
- 16 Old Wapsi Overflow Bridge, Calamus
- 17 Second Wapsipinicon Bridge, Calamus
- 18 Syracuse Pony Truss Bridge, Calamus
- 19 Lincoln Highway Marker, Calamus
- 20 Canopy Gas Station, Calamus
- 21 George Johnson House, Clinton County
- 22 Kwindherred Lutheran Church, School, and Cemetery, Clinton County
- 23 Steam Thresher Show & Car Show (July Event), Grand Mound
- 24 Railroad Crossing, Grand Mound
- 25 Evergreen Cemetery, Grand Mound
- 26 Grand Mound Town Hall and Waterworks Historic District, Grand Mound
- 27 Dugan's Saloon, Grand Mound
- 28 Farmers and Merchants Savings Bank, Grand Mound
- 29 Grand Mound Fire & Rescue (Fire Station Restored), Grand Mound
- 30 Downtown, Grand Mound
- 31 Cottage Style Gas Station, DeWitt
- 32 Lincoln Park, DeWitt
- 33 Carnegie Library, DeWitt
- 34 City Hall (Old Post Office), DeWitt
- 35 German Hausbarn Museum, DeWitt
- 36 Lincoln Highway Plaque, DeWitt
- 37 DeWitt Chamber of Commerce, DeWitt
- 38 1878 Opera House, DeWitt
- 39 Central Community Historical Museum, DeWitt
- 40 Winsther Motel, DeWitt
- 41 Shucking Corn Mural by John Bloom in DeWitt City Hall, DeWitt
- 42 Tunes in Town, DeWitt
- 43 John Bloom Mural in City Hall, DeWitt
- 44 John Bloom Statues in Downtown, DeWitt
- 45 Lincoln Highway Bridge Site, Clinton County
- 46 Detoured Corner, Clinton County
- 47 Horace Anthony House, Camanche
- 48 Wild Rose Casino & Resort, Clinton
- 49 Coan Marker, Clinton
- 50 Lincoln Highway Sign, Clinton
- 51 Castle Terrace Historic District, Clinton
- 52 George O'Morris Park (Muddy River Rugby Football Team), Clinton
- 53 Clinton Community College, Clinton
- 54 Lincoln Highway Marker, Clinton
- 55 Van Allen Store, Clinton
- 56 First National Bank, Clinton
- 57 George M. Curtis House, Clinton
- 58 Union Pacific Depot, Clinton
- 59 Smit Brothers Hardware, Clinton
- 60 Lafayette Hotel, Clinton
- 61 Concrete Lincoln Highway Marker, Clinton
- 62 Clinton County Courthouse, Clinton
- 63 Clinton County Historical Society Museum and Library, Clinton
- 64 Ankeny Building, Clinton
- 65 Clinton Public Library, Clinton
- 66 Howes Building, Clinton
- 67 Lafayette Lamb House, Clinton
- 68 Moeszinger-Marquis Hardware Co. (Clinton Convention and Visitors Bureau), Clinton
- 69 Clinton High School and Public Library, Clinton
- 70 Washington Junior High School and Jefferson Grade School, Clinton
- 71 Wilson Buildings, Clinton
- 72 Clinton Lumber Kings, Clinton
- 73 River Arts Center, Clinton
- 74 Clinton Area Showboat Theater, Clinton
- 75 Clinton Symphony Orchestra Concerts, Clinton
- 76 Ashford University Field (Clinton LumberKings), Clinton
- 77 Ashford University Clinton Campus (CLOSED), Clinton
- 78 Cherry Bank, Clinton
- 79 Site of the Fulton and Lyons Bridge Ramp, Clinton
- 80 McEleney Motors, Clinton
- 81 Saint Boniface Church, Clinton
- 82 Saint Irenaeus Church, Clinton
- 83 The Sawmill Museum, Clinton
- 84 The Lumberjack Festival (Held at the Sawmill Museum), Clinton
- 85 Lyons Farmers Market, Clinton
- 86 Lincoln Highway Bridge Site, Clinton
- 87 Wide River Winery, Clinton
- 88 Peter Dierks House, Clinton County
- 89 Tycoga Vineyard & Winery, DeWitt
- 90 Wilson District No. 7 School, Clinton County
- 91 Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Depot, Delmar
- 92 Delmar Calaboose (One-Room Jail), Delmar
- 93 Sharon Methodist Episcopal Church, Lost Nation
- 94 St. James Cemetery ('Farmer Brown' Burial Grounds), Toronto
- 95 Indian Mound (Mary Stephenson's Farm), Clinton County
- 96 Helvig-Olson Farm Historic District, Clinton County

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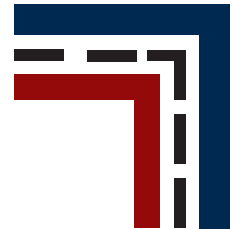
State Projects

<i>State/County/City</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Lead Agency(s)</i>	<i>Time Frame</i>
Level 1			
State	Developing “Greening the Lincoln”, piloting program in Jefferson.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Restore old gas stations and install electric charging stations. Example is Youngville and Reed-Niland Corner.	Lincoln Highway Association/ LHHB/cities	2017
State	Support hospitality training to ensure communities are welcoming to visitors. Partner with Iowa Tourism/ISU Extension program.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Identify important sites in each community and identify what sets them apart.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Identify ways to market attractions to different interest groups (food, parks and recreation), create a sample itinerary for travelers on website, format for mobile devices.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Identify where Lincoln Highway information is located and where there is a void.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Become a Historical Civil Engineering Landmark through the American Society of Civil Engineers.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Collaborate with the American Automobile Association (AAA).	Iowa Byways/ Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Translate the Lincoln Highway story into other languages (Babel Fish).	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Create Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway stickers and give to businesses to place in their windows.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2017
State	Give presentations to City Councils/Chambers and share weblinks.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
State	Inventory installed Byway signs every three years and replace signs as needed.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2037
State	Develop Oral Histories.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2027
State	Increase art along the byway (murals, etc.) in each county	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2037
State	Brand nationally in conjunction with other Lincoln Highway states.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2037

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State Projects cont.

State	Work with Boy Scouts on projects as needed.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/ Lincoln Highway Association	2017-2037
State	Understand the Lincoln Highway traveler better and tailor marketing to them.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2018
State	Enhance the story/connection to President Lincoln.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2018
State	Promote electronic wayfinding, including Google Maps and audio tours (especially Benton County). May use codes on signs to call and get recorded information.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2018
State	Connect downtowns, theaters, B&B's and similar businesses along the Byway.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2018
State	Research a single clearing-house for cell phone apps.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2018
State	Develop and/or promote geocaching along the Lincoln Highway.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2019
State	Develop Lincoln Highway education for 5th grade curriculum.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2019
State	Increase motor tours/military caravans and improve communication so communities are able to plan ahead for tourists.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020
State	Broaden promotion to engage all demographics.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2020
State	Become a National Scenic Road.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020
State	Create "templates" for communities to improve and promote the Lincoln Highway.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2025
Level 2			
State	Research old newspapers for 1928 marker and dedication dates.	Lincoln Highway Association	2017
State	Partner with Visitor Bureaus, Museums, and Libraries to make them vibrant.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2037
State	Encourage travelers to spend money along the Byway through events and promotions.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Cities/Counties	2017-2037
State	Expand Lincoln Highway merchandise.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2018
State	Support an annual RAGBRAI, Great Race, or LH themed ride on route.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020



State Projects cont.

State	Communicate life in 1913 to travelers, including improved versus unimproved roads, historical architecture and transportation, and the story of the area.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020
State	Create replicas of 1928 markers for businesses to sponsor and install.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2022
State	Develop and/or authentic experiences along the Byway (haying, combining, caring for animals, etc.) even if by simulators.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2025
State	Market Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway at the International "Powwow" for international travel agents.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2030

Clinton County Projects

<i>State/County/City</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Lead Agency(s)</i>	<i>Time Frame</i>
Level 1			
Clinton County	Promote interpretation along the Wapsie.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
Clinton County	Develop relationship with Silos and Smokestacks National Heritage Area.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017
Clinton County	Follow progress on DOT's US 30 S14th to S14th St in Clinton - Stage 2 Liberty Square.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017-2037
Dewitt	Support roadside architecture rehab in DeWitt.	City of DeWitt	2017-2037
Wheatland	Monitor the three Wheatland bridges - may be at risk.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Lincoln Highway Association	2017-2037
Calamus	Enroll in a "Main Street" like program.	City of Calamus	2020
City of Clinton	Create Welcome to Iowa/Iowa Byway signage.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/ City of Clinton	2020
Grand Mound	Enroll in a "Main Street" like program.	City of Grand Mound	2020
Wheatland	Enroll in a "Main Street" like program.	City of Calamus	2020
Level 2			
Clinton County	Absorb 235th St into Syracuse Wildlife Area for conservation (east to 142 Ave).	Clinton County	2017
Wheatland	Interpret and preserve Wheatland, including bridges, different routes, and cemeteries.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2017



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City of Clinton	Promote Clinton as a tourist destination.	City of Clinton/Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Great River Road	2017-2037
Grand Mound	Preserve the remains of old motor court, original buildings in backyards, and tourist cabins.	City of Grand Mound/Lincoln Highway Association	2017-2037
Clinton County	Replace bridge on Y44 over Calamus Creek.	Clinton County	2020
Clinton County	Share information on agriculture types and history, fields, crops, barges, and ships.	Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020
City of Clinton	Provide markers on historic buildings to share what they were originally.	City of Clinton/ Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway	2020
Level 3			
DeWitt	Expand fitness center - build new or partner with school.	City of DeWitt	2017
DeWitt	Expand Paul Skeffington Memorial Trail.	City of DeWitt	2017
Wheatland	Provide new street lights and/or hanging baskets.	City of Wheatland	2017
City of Clinton	Support development of golf course, more trails, fitness center with pool, senior center, cold weather activities, skating rink, climbing wall, and children's activity center.	City of Clinton	2017-2037
DeWitt	Rename 11th St in DeWitt as Lincoln Highway.	City of DeWitt	2018
City of Clinton	Promote the riverfront (it was an inaugural "Great Places").	City of Clinton/Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway/Great River Road	2020
City of Clinton	Promote start-up businesses.	City of Clinton	2020
City of Clinton	Proactively work to attract new residents.	City of Clinton	2020
City of Clinton	Preserve Lubbers Fountain and re-establish 100 steps in Eagle Point Park.	City of Clinton	2020
DeWitt	Add downtown bicycle parking.	City of DeWitt	2020
DeWitt	Support community gardens and/or a food forest.	City of Dewitt	2020
Clinton County	More planned landscaping (back of property is front for Lincoln Highway).	Clinton County/private land-owners	2025