



Cadillac Ranch in Amarillo, Texas, was built in 1974 by an arts collective called the Ant Farm.

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Route 66 National Historic Trail Designation Act (H.R. 4338)

Historic Route 66 stretches approximately 2,400 miles from Chicago, IL to Santa Monica, CA, passing through eight states and more than 300 rural and urban communities. This vital transportation corridor between the Midwest and southern California has endured as an internationally recognized symbol of freedom and mobility while epitomizing a new optimism that pervaded the nation's economic recovery following World War II.

Numerous buildings along Route 66 are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and it was designated a National Scenic Byway in four states. As a Dustbowl migration route, a World War II strategic military route, and a vacation travel route, it has been celebrated in music, literature, television, movies, and popular lore. To date, petition signatures in support of a National Historic Trail designation number over 71,000 from 49 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, with over 100 organizations, businesses, and local governments from the 8 states bisected by Route 66 also pledging support for the designation.

Preserve Route 66

Bipartisan legislation in Congress would designate Route 66 as a National Historic Trail following a 1995 National Park Service Special Resource Study determining Route 66 met the eligibility requirements. Ahead of the upcoming centennial celebration in 2026, designation of Route 66 as a national historic trail would help revitalize communities and preserve an iconic symbol of American history.

Support a Route 66 National Historic Trail (H.R. 4338)