



Resource Composite

Mapping Analysis

Careful planning and analysis have given the Scenic Byway Committee a detailed knowledge of the Scenic Byway, as well as a broad perspective of the Scenic Byway Corridor. The ultimate goal is to see the intrinsic qualities of the Scenic Byway Corridor preserved. To be efficient and strategic, the Scenic Byway Committee harnessed technology to identify areas with the highest coincidence of intrinsic value overlap. Using Geographical Information System (GIS) technology, the Scenic Byway Committee has been able to synthesize information from a variety of sources and scale it into a concise format.

The resource figures (i.e., *Hydric Soils, Forested Areas, Agricultural Resources*, and *Viewshed Analysis*) are based on extensive data analysis and a series of stakeholder meetings. Selection of a set of intrinsic values for analysis for the *Resource Composite* does not preclude incorporating other resources in the final decision-making process when seeking partnerships, acquiring grants, or implementing on-the-ground projects. For example, cultural and historic resources (see the *Historic Resources* figure) in the planning area are diverse, and will be considered in all of the Scenic Byway Committee's efforts.

The individual resource maps are combined to create the *Resource Composite* figure. An illustration of this process is provided here. The *Resource Composite* depicts areas with a high coincidence of overlapping intrinsic values. The map should not be interpreted to mean that the all the high coincidence areas shown will be conserved, whether by public acquisition or by other means, in the future. It does, however, show in broad outline the major areas to consider for future actions as outlined throughout the Corridor Management Plan.



