

## **Direct southbound route from Flint, Michigan to Perrysburg, Ohio (I-75 exit 192)**

From Flint, Michigan, Interstate-75 takes a significant turn to the southeast as it runs through Port Huron, downtown Detroit ... and onwards to Toledo in Ohio.

For those driving from the UP, Sault Ste Marie and other points in Michigan north of Flint, here is a route which avoids Detroit and the extra southeast I-75 miles; it is a direct southbound path which rejoins I-75 just below Toledo. Parts of the route are through rural country on a two-lane open highway while others are on a two lane limited access route similar to an interstate.

The advantage of the US23 route is that you avoid congested Detroit and of course have less exposure to accident traffic incidents with resulting backups.

## **Comparison**

Via I-75: time/dist. from Flint to Toledo/I-75 exit 192 = 147 miles (237km) 2:55 hours.

Via US23 route: time/dist from Flint to Toledo/I-75 exit 192 = 130 miles (209km) 3:00 hours.

## **Alternative US23 Route**

1. On I-75 just south of Flint, Michigan, move to the two right lanes and take exit 115 - US23 to Ann Arbor.
2. Continue of US23 through Fenton, Brighton and Whitmore Lake to Ann Arbor.
3. Just north of Ann Arbor, move to left two lanes and continue following US23 South - Toledo (do not take exit 45, or follow US23 Business or signs to Ann Arbor). The road bends to the east (left) for 2.5 miles (4kms).
4. Stay in right two lanes. US23 bends south (right) towards Ann Arbor/Toledo.
5. Continue following US23 south towards Milan and Dundee.
6. Below exit 5, the route becomes US223.
7. Continue running south through the merge with I-475 South (to Maumee/Dayton). After I-475 exit 4, I-475 bends to the east (left). Continue driving east towards I-75.
8. Move to right lane and take I-475 exit 1A. This will take you on to I-75 southbound towards Dayton. See map on page 9 in my book, Along Intrstate-75; you rejoin I-75 at I-75's exit 192. Continue your journey south to Florida.