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Clinton-Kalamazoo Canal

This canal, conceived at the peak of the era of canal-building, was part of Michigan's internal improvements program which was announced in 1837. The Clinton-Kalamazoo Canal would make it possible to cross southern Michigan by boat from Lake St. Clair to Lake Michigan. On July 20, 1838, construction began at Mount Clemens amid much fanfare. Hard times, however, soon made it difficult to sell bonds to finance the canal. When the excavation reached this point in 1843, the money ran out, and all work ceased. With the coming of railroads, support for the canal vanished. The completed part was little used.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1956 **Erected Date:** 1957

Marker Location

Address: Avon Road

City: Rochester

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Oakland

Township: Avon

Lat: 42.67327700 / **Long:** -83.09609800

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