Located in Graves and Marshall Counties, near the city of Mayfield, the Julian Carroll-Jackson Purchase Parkway is a major corridor in the western portion of Kentucky. Built as two separate projects (both opened in 1968), the Parkway covers nearly 27 miles. The award-winning section of the road extends from milepost 25.384 to milepost 52.333.

The parkway was originally constructed with a 13-inch cement treated bank gravel base topped by 6.5 inches of HMA. It has required only one thin overlay of 1 to 1.5 inches of HMA, which was done in sections between 1989-1992.

The southern portion of the road has handled an estimated 14 million equivalent single axle loads (ESALs); the northern portion of the road has an estimated total traffic of more than 22 million ESALs.