Rustic roads are historic and scenic roadways that reflect the agricultural character and rural origins of the county.
• 99 roads are currently designated as rustic or exceptional rustic roads
• County code preserves these roads, including certain designated Significant Features of each road.
• The Rustic Roads Advisory Committee oversees the program and advises the County Executive, County Council and Planning Board
1793 Road Plat

Plat of the road from Lucketts Ferry at the confluence of the Potomac and Monocacy Rivers, to Green's Bridge at the Patuxent River.
Griffith, Thackara, Vallance.
*Map of the State of Maryland laid down from an actual survey of all the principal waters, public roads, and divisions of the counties therein; describing the situation of the cities, towns, villages, houses of worship and other public buildings, furnaces, forges, mills, and other remarkable places; and of the Federal Territory; as also a sketch of the State of Delaware shewing the probable connexion of the Chesapeake and Delaware Bays.*
Rustic Roads tell our history.

Some of our roads follow Native American trails.
They lead to our fords, ferries and bridges.
White’s Ferry still crosses the Potomac River at Whites Ferry Road, rustic, and River Road, exceptional rustic.
1910 pony truss bridge over Dry Seneca Creek
Montevideo Road, exceptional rustic
They lead to our mills.
The stone-cutting mill (1830) at Seneca Quarry
Tschiffeley Mill Road, rustic
They lead to the C&O Canal and the locks along it.
Lockhouse 25 (1830), C&O Canal (1828-1850)
Edwards Ferry Road, exceptional rustic
Monocacy Aqueduct (1829-1833), C&O Canal
Mouth of Monocacy Road, exceptional rustic
They lead to the B&O Railroad stations.
The B&O Railroad crossed the county with the Metropolitan Branch (1873) at the Mouth of Monocacy Road, offering exceptional rustic views.
They’re an integral part of the Ag Reserve
Roads needing descriptions

• Batchellors Forest Road
• Brighton Dam Road
• Triadelphia Road
Nominated Roads

• Emory Church Road
• Georgia Avenue (within the Brookeville Bypass area)
• Greenbridge Road
• Mt. Carmel Cemetery Road
Brookeville Road (section being bypassed), nominee
Triadelphia Lake Road, rustic