







Rural Neighborhood

Intent & Purpose

To conserve nature while providing the lowest intensity and amount of neighborhood development.

Development Intensities

DU/AC: 0.05 to 1.0 Commercial FAR: N/A

Allowed Land Uses







Uses are primarily single-family residential. Limited commercial activity may be allowed in the form of focused specialty lodging such as a bed & breakfast inn with minor commercial/retail.

Uses such as guest houses, churches, schools, family day care homes, public facilities, and others which are determined to be compatible with and oriented toward serving the needs of rural, low-density neighborhoods may also be allowed.

Intended Physical Character

Streetscape and Connectivity

Streetscapes are natural, with gutterless shoulders defined by informal tree arrangements and natural street edges. Street alignments are relatively informal with moderate interconnectivity. Some dead end roads may be warranted to preserve existing topography and/or natural environment.

Parks and Open Space

Open space is primarily provided through the natural features being preserved. Residential on-site amenities are welcomed, but not required.

Built Form and Character

Small portions of sites are developed with single-family houses organized around natural areas. Buildings are set back large distances from the natural street edge to provide very large front yards with porches and terraces. Structures are clustered together to leave most of the natural area undisturbed. Open spaces are primarily natural with a single or few clusters of limited numbers of houses. Height of homes are site appropriate (depending on topography and slope).

