Rural Living

The Community Type "Rural Living" includes a variety of residential types, from farmhouses, to large acreage rural family dwellings, to ecologically-minded "conservation subdivisions" whose aim is to preserve open landscape, and traditional buildings, often with a mixture of residential and commercial uses that populate crossroads in countryside locations.

Place Types Included:

Working Farm (WF)
Rural Living (RL)
Conservation-based Subdivision (CBS)
Rural Crossroads (RC)

Land Use Considerations

Land uses listed for the community type represent typical development in the category. They are not meant to be an exhaustive list of all permitted or conditional uses that would be allowed in the place type.

Cultivated Farmland
Woodlands / Timber Harvesting
Livestock / Arable
Natural Area
Single-Family Detached Home
Smaller-lot Single Family and Town Homes
Mobile Home
Barns / Storage
Light Industrial (ancillary to farming)
Church
Gas Station
Convenience Store / Hardware Store / Restaurant

Form & Pattern

The form and pattern table displays generalized development characteristics associated with the place type. Working together, these elements reinforce a sense of place and community brand important to distinguishing development in this category from others in the region.

Form & Pattern	
General Development Pattern	Separate Uses
Residential Density	.05-.25 DU[1]/A
Non-Residential Intensity	.05-.20 FAR[2]
Prevailing Building Height	1-2 Stories
Transportation Choices	Auto
Typical Block Length	N/A
Open Space Elements	Natural Areas/Stream Corridors
Street Pattern	Curvilinear
Street Connectivity	Low
Parking Provisions	Private Drive
Typical Street Cross Section	Rural/Suburban

[1](D.U.) - Dwelling Unit [2](FAR) - Floor Area Ratio
[3](S.F.) - Square Feet [4](LF) - Linear Feet

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Rural Crossroads


Working Farms


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