

## Planning for Rural Areas: The Road Less Traveled

A workshop of the  
Rural Policy and Best Practices Project  
May 1-4, 2006



### Afternoon Workshop Agenda

- 12:30      **Registration**
- 1:00      **Welcome**  
County Planning Director
- 1:10      **Current Rural Policy and Project Overview**  
Laura Thielen, Office of Planning
- 1:20      **Survey of Rural Landscapes**  
*A visual montage*  
Scott Horsley and Richard Delaney (Horsley Witten Group)
- 2:00      **An Introduction to Rural**  
*What makes “rural” rural? What is the range of rural land-uses? What is a rural life style? What are rural forms and functions? What are the top guiding principles of developing and preserving rural areas?*  
Tom Daniels, Professor of City and Regional Planning, University of Pennsylvania
- 2:50      **Local Planning Strategies for Maintaining Rural Areas-A Case Study**  
*A detailed examination of one County’s continuing successful efforts to effectively protect its rural character.*  
John Zawitoski, Montgomery County Department of Economic Development
- 4:00      **Break**
- 4:10      **Exploring Rural in Hawaii—Q&A/Discussion**  
*A full group discussion of rural policy and planning with Tom Daniels, Scott Horsley, Richard Delaney and John Zawitoski.*
- 5:10      **Closing**  
*Where are we now? What happens next and when?*  
Laura Thielen and Ruby Edwards

### Evening Presentation and Discussion

- 6:00      **Welcome and Project Overview**  
Laura Thielen, Office of Planning
- 6:10      **Presentations on Rural Policies and Montgomery County**  
Tom Daniels and John Zawitoski
- 6:30      **Exploring Rural in Hawaii—Q&A/Discussion**  
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- 7:20      **Closing**  
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Laura Thielen and Ruby Edwards, Office of Planning
- 7:30      **Pau**