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# Rustic Roads

## Functional Master Plan

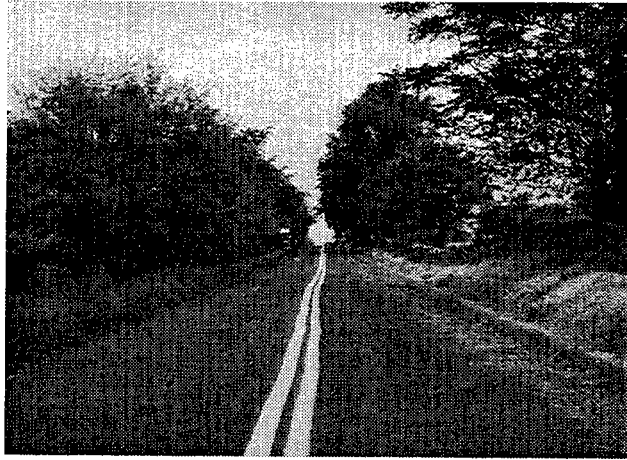


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# Wasche Road

A Rustic Road



This road has historic value and outstanding rural views.

Recommended as a *rustic road*.

## Significant Features:

- Side banks that enclose the road
- Stone wall near Martinsburg Road

## History:

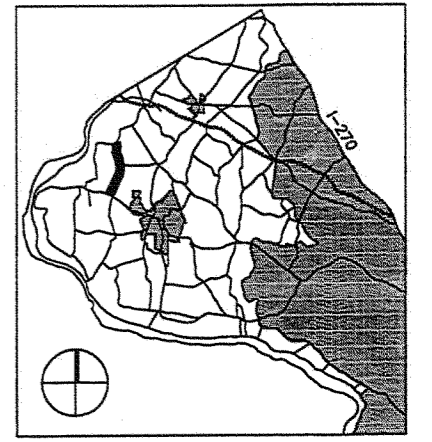
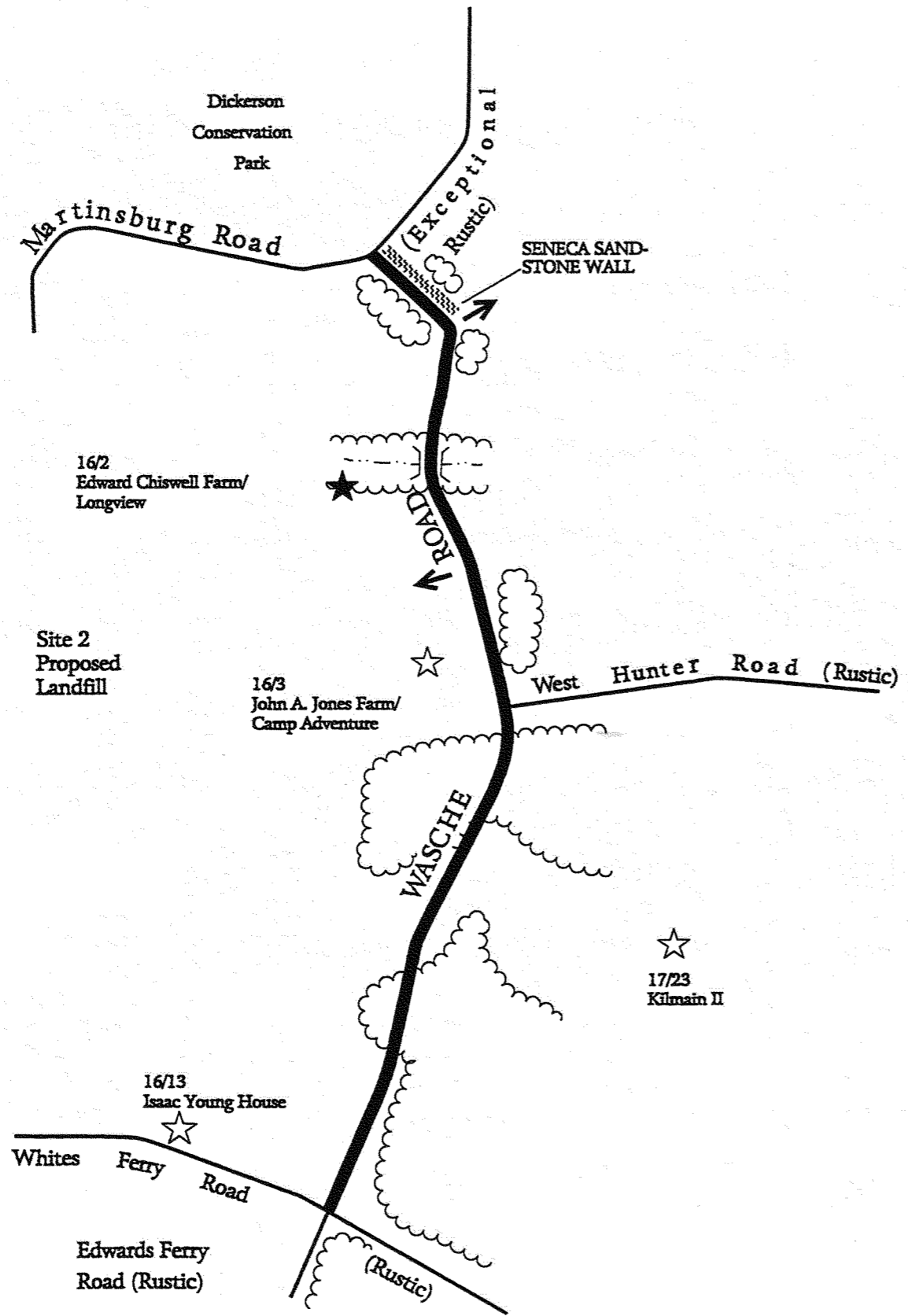
A road was constructed in this location by c1865. The road was named for the Wasches who owned Kilmain II in the 1870s and again in the early 1900s. Four historic sites are along this road, three Atlas and one Master Plan.

## Driving Experience:

Wasche Road is a pleasant road to drive. It has long, straight segments with gentle curves and elevation changes. The southern section, which appears to be an extension of Edwards Ferry Road, has forests along portions of the east side and hedgerows or individual trees on the west side. In this area, several houses are near the road on the west side, while the Kilmain farmstead on the east side is surrounded by open fields. Kilmain II, a c1810-15 house with a center hall plan, is a fine example of Federal style architecture notable for its brick construction. West Hunter Road intersects Wasche Road on the east side opposite the Jones Farm on the west. Further north, the road crosses a small bridge. The Edward Chiswell Farm is on the left. Known as Longview, the house includes an original stone section which dates from 200 years ago. Edward Chiswell, who grew up at Chiswell's Inheritance near Edward's Ferry, was a Civil War veteran who lived here with his family after the war's end. The northern end of the road has tree hedgerows, mountain views off to the right, and a sandstone wall near Martinsburg Road.

# Wasche Road — A Rustic Road

Figure 72



Location Map 1

### LEGEND

- ☆ Potential Historic Resource
- ★ Historic Resource
- ← Scenic View

### Roadway Characteristics:

Length: 2.7 miles  
 Width: 18 feet paved  
 Lanes: center line and edge markings  
 Shoulders: none