

Existing Conditions

- The first alternative considered for every highway project is the “no build” option which serves as a baseline against which all other alternatives are compared.
- In addition to the study area’s cultural resources, several natural resources have been identified:
 - The Monocacy River, a Maryland designated Scenic and Wild River
 - 100 year Floodplain associated with the Monocacy River
 - Vegetation, including large trees

