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## **COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY ACT 2000: PROPOSALS FOR GUIDANCE ON LOCAL ACCESS MANAGEMENT, EXCLUSIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

The following are the comments from the Institution of Environmental Sciences on the above Consultation Paper.

The Consultation Paper (and indeed the Act itself) deals almost exclusively with the provisions for access ways alone. Interaction with adjoining land and uses is dealt with and reference is made to entry at specified points (4.3) but NO mention is made of potential problems arising AT the point of entry.

Increased public access will inevitably create additional visitor traffic to the points of entry to the 'access' with a potential nuisance value. Routes identified for use by persons with disabilities will almost certainly require traffic to the point of entry. Adequate and safe approach roads, parking facilities, signing, etc. may be needed but not necessarily available or made available.

Additional restrictions may be needed under 5.3 to deal with this and guidance in the Code (see 7.2) should certainly be provided.

Yours sincerely,

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Hon. Secretary