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COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY ACT 2000: REGULATIONS ON DEDICATION OF ACCESS LAND UNDER SECTION 16

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

We have very limited comment to make as this is now the fifth consultation regarding aspects of the Act. However, in connection with Section 3.A.2 of the paper we would recommend additional notification and discussion with Local Access Forums in addition to notification to the Countryside Agency. Local Highway Authorities also have an interest as a result of Section 60 of the Act and should be included.

With respect to the question posed in Paragraph 2.16 we are of the opinion that making grants available for maintenance in deserving areas (e.g. those with specific attractions of flora or fauna) would provide an incentive to dedication.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. R. A. Fuller Hon. Secretary