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Dear Liz,

**Application 15/00811 | Retention of Manege and 4 no. floodlights
FERNHILL, STOCK LANE, LANDFORD WOOD, WILTSHIRE, SP5 2EU**

1. New Forest Association (NFA) objects to this application.
2. The subject of maneges is exhaustively dealt with in the SPD Guidelines for Horse Related Development, a document that is generally considered to be very helpful to horse keepers. However it states at 6.16 *Requests for lighting for maneges will be resisted as this represents unacceptable light pollution in a designated landscape area*. NFA object to the proposed floodlights.
3. There is also a problem with the non standard size. Maneges sterilise the land and render it of no use to the ecology of the National Park. Advantage only outweighs this loss providing the area of the sterilised land is controlled to the size agreed in the SPD. This manege is 875 sq metres rather than 800.
4. NFA relies on the Authority for landscape matters.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Baker, NFA Planning Committee