

# Borodino Protection Sought

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Moscow regional officials have suggested that the Kremlin take measures to protect historical Borodinskoye Field, near the village of Borodino, now a favored location for the construction of luxury housing.

About 250,000 soldiers took part in a daylong battle in 1812 between Russian forces and those gathered under French Emperor Napoleon I on the field, which covers an area of about 1,200 hectares.

Today, 120 hectares of the site make up a national reserve, and housing construction has begun to encroach even on it, Gazeta.ru reported last week, citing Viktor Petrakov, acting head of the Federal Service for the Protection of Cultural Heritage.

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