

To Members of the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee for Dog Management,

I have lived in the Outer Richmond for 4 years now and am a regular visitor to Lands End. I am writing because I have been in (and witnessed) numerous dangerous situations with dogs and their owners while walking the Coastal trail and I fear it is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured. This trail is heavily used by joggers, tourists and hikers of all ages. In several parts, the trail is narrow, uneven, steep and bordered by cliffs. There are blind corners, tight turns and several stair cases. When dogs both leashed and unleashed are being led through these sections, it creates serious congestion and apprehension for the parties involved, as well as the potential for serious injury. Alternative D is the best proposal, because it does not allow dogs in the above-mentioned areas. I have included some pictures I took the last time I walked the trail. This was after 3 minutes on the trail if that is any indication of how often these potentially hazardous situations arise.

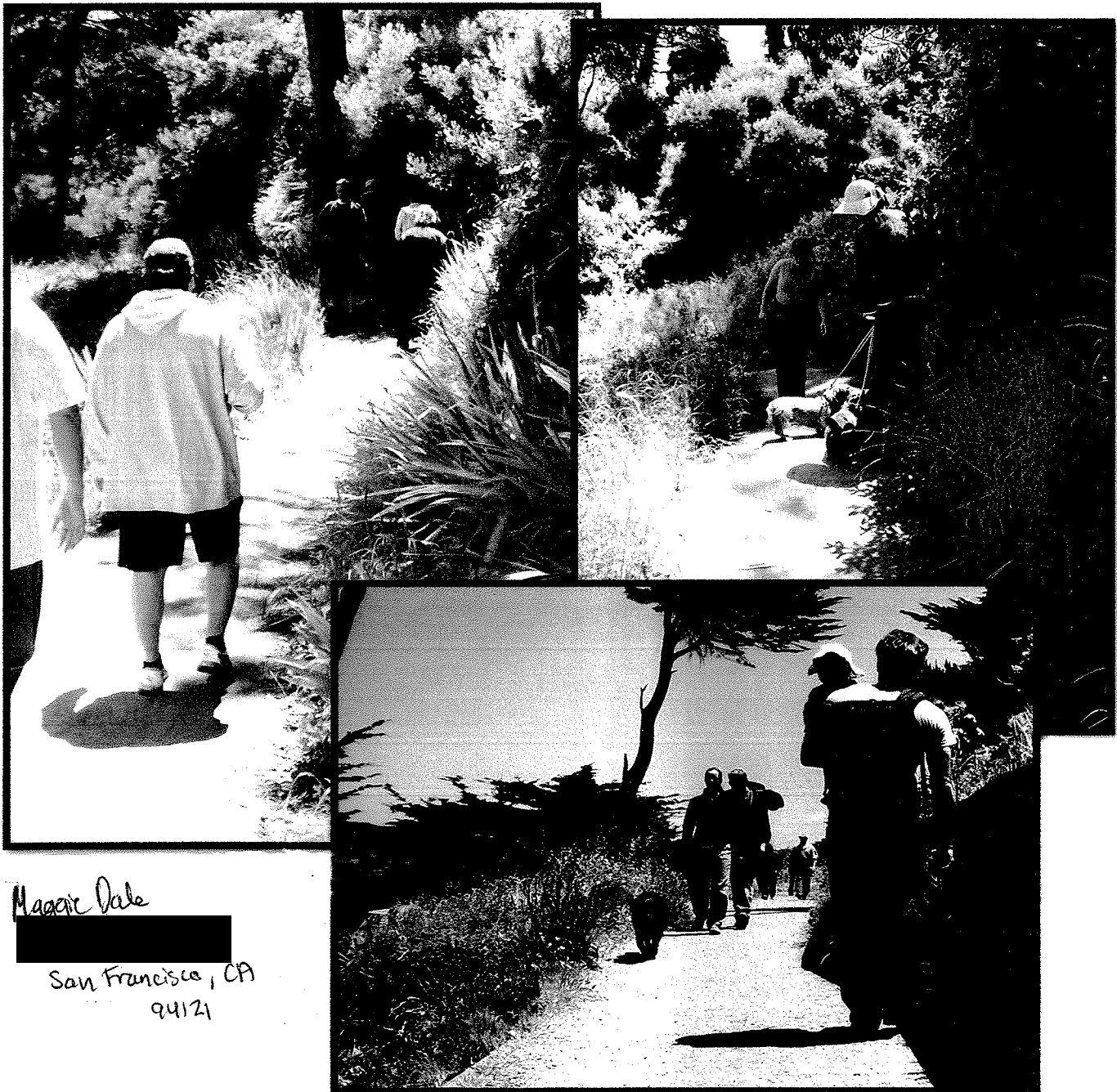
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Thank you for your time,

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