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February 08, 2002

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I write this as someone who had a dog for 13 years who died in 2000, so it is not as if I don't like dogs.

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Just because off-leash pets have been "allowed" should not be a reason to continue this privilege, because it's a privilege and not a RIGHT as many petowners say. I think it's obvious that over the years many petowners have developed a bad attitude towards people who like to come to the parks to enjoy it's peace and serenity. Besides that, many dogwalkers have developed a bad attitude towards Park employees who are just doing their job. Besides the posing threat against wildlife and (native) vegetation, which is obvious, there are many more reasons why dogwalking should be restricted.

I would like to speak for the thousands of people who DON'T come to the park, because of the overabundance of dogs running out of control, not to mention feces that only few owners care to pick up. People with small children, elderly people, people afraid of dogs all form a huge group that generally doesn't speak out about the leash subject, simply because they don't come to the park anymore and feel it's a lost cause. So often I have heard from people: "we don't go there anymore" and now, I have become one of them.

I've grown tired of having to hose off my boots at the parking lot and I've grown tired of the verbal abuse I get from dogwalkers when mentioning their refusal of picking up after their pet. Unfortunately I hear this from many people. I've grown tired of peoples sandy dogs jumping up against me on the

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beach, or simply knocking me over and then listen to the owner say: "Oh, he's friendly".

I've grown tired of staying friendly myself...

Of all places, I think Fort Funston has become the worst place to be for a non-dog owner. Dogs run through fenced areas, owners have the least amount of respect for wildlife nor vegetation and the smell of dog feces can be unbearable after a rainy day. Once I attempted to eat my lunch there while walking, but I soon came to realize Fort Funston is an impossible place for a picnic.

Besides that numerous dogs have gone over the steep cliffs, requiring (law enforcement) park rangers to come and rescue them. I don't think park rangers should be wasting their precious time helping irresponsible dog owners. In my opinion, park rangers should be doing resource and wildlife protection, not help the very people who literally destroy those very resources and threaten wildlife.

I'm not against dogs, I like dogs, I used to own dogs myself, but I believe they should be on a leash and restricted to certain areas to make the GGNRA a safer and enjoyable place for everyone.

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Yours truly,

Peggy Van

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: YVONNE + ALIDA BROWN (printed)
Address: 468 DONALDSON PACIFICA CA 94044
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

250 OR 300 TIMES A YEAR I VISIT FT FUNSTON TO WALK MY TWO DOGS. ONE OFF LEASH ONE ON. THE HEALTH BENEFIT TO MYSELF AND DOGS SHOULD BE OBVIOUS. I GREW UP IN PARKMERID AND HAVE SPENT MY WHOLE LIFE AT FT FUNSTON OCEAN BEACH AND WHAT USED TO BE THORNTON BEACH. THE ONLY CHANGES I'VE NOTICED ARE YOUNG RUDE TRANGERS

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

FT FUNSTON HAS MANY DOG WALKERS ARE EASILY A CROSS SECTION OF CA. CULTURAL DIVERSITY. EUROPEAN WHITES ARE HARDLY THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE I ENCOUNTER. AND AS FOR CHILDREN AND DOGS TOGETHER - WELL WHAT IS MORE JOYFUL. I MYSELF HAVE A DISABILITY BUT SEEK OUT OFF LEASH AREAS WHERE EVER POSSIBLE

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

OF COURSE IT IS A SOCIAL OUTLET. OF COURSE I BRING / INVOLVE MY FRIENDS, FAMILY, OF COURSE I'VE MADE AND MAINTAINED MANY MANY NEW OLD FRIENDS FROM FT FUNSTON. AS TO HOW IT WOULD AFFECT MY LIFE IF THAT SHOULD CHANGE? I CANT EVEN IMAGINE THE GREY DARK THING THAT COULD ENVELOPE ME.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

JUST LET ME WALK MY DOGS
THANK YOU!

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

DO NOT RENEGE - IF YOU ENFORCE THE LEASH YOUR UNLEASHING HELL!!

Signed: Yvonne Brown Date 2/12/02 (optional: Age: 43 Sex M Ethnicity WT)

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GGNRA
Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason Bldg 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

FAX 561-4355

RE: ANPR Public Comments

To GGNPA:

I am writing to express my concern at limiting the availability of off-leash space in the GGNRA. Currently there is less than 1% of space available to pet owners to use for off-leash recreation. I am a supporter of your trust association and a user of the beaches and coastal sections of GGNRA. Please don't fall victim to the voices of a minority seeking to take back rights for off-leash recreation in your decisions.

Sincerely,



Brad Roberts

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suzanne gunderman

6138 W Harrison St , Chandler, AZ 85226

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There should be areas where dogs are allowed off-leash, but not where sensitive species and habitat should be protected. Please act to protect our sensitive lands by supporting the leash law in the Golden Gate National Recreation area.

Sincerely,

suzanne gunderman

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TO: Superintendent Brian O'Neill
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FROM: Ron Salkin
702 E Stuart St
Fort Collins, CO 80525

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Sincerely,

Jake Sigg

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February 10, 2002

John Piekarski

31A Broadway, ♦ Denville, NJ 07834-2703

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Bill Ellett

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Bill Ellett

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Jen Riddell

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Tucson, AZ 85731

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9 Union Avenue
Westport, MA 02790-1013

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Sam Raffa

2099 W. Argus Place , ♦ Citrus Springs, FL 34434-4011

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James Stephens

3303 Whitney Ave. , Hapeville, GA 30354-1401

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82 Frankel Road
Massapequa, NY 11758-7261

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Lien Truong
400 Montclair Ave
Oakland, CA 94606

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

Date: 2-9-2002

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Rose Dartois SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE (optional: Age: 39 Sex M F Ethnicity White)
 Address: 671 Imperial Dr Pacifica CA 94044
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I visit the GGNRA at least once a day! The main reason is to walk the dog. The benefits for me are exercise, meeting other dog & nature lovers.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

It most certainly is a social outlet. I have brought both friends & family, and have made some very nice friends with this activity.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Yes! off leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA. I think the main reason or one of the main reasons people go to Fort Funston is for the off leash recreation.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It would take away a very important part of my family daily recreation.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel extremely safe with the presence of off-leash dogs

Signed: Rose Dartois

Date 2-9-2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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Date: 2/10/2002

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Address: 109 Park St. S.F. CA 94110
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I go to Fort Funston approx. 1-2 times per week to walk my dog & to Crissy field 2 times per month. I go to both only to walk the dog & the benefit is that there is space there for her to run!

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

yes - it is a social outlet. I meet my friends almost every time I go to Ft. Funston. I have also met some very nice people while there.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

yes - mixed use is appropriate. Dogs off leash are not appropriate everywhere, but certain designated areas make sense.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It would severely curtail my outdoor activities. I simply would have no reason to go to either Ft. Funston or Crissy Field again...

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel safer, simply because it means that there are more people around.
off-leash

Signed: Philip C. Passington Date: 2/11/02
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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: AUDREY NEWELL [optional]: Age: 38 Sex M F

Ethnicity Cauc.

Address: 2944 23rd ST. SF CA 94110
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.
We visit Chrissy Field and Fort Funston regularly. My family takes our dog to one or other above places almost every weekend throughout the year. We visit to exercise our dog, and to enjoy the beauty. Our use of these areas has dramatically increased since we have a dog.
2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?
Yes! It's a social outlet; it's become a very important part of life for me, and I have become part of a friendly solid community because of it. I also bring out of town friends & family on our dog walks to show them what a great "scene" it is. owning a dog.
3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.
Yes! It's absolutely appropriate! My pet is a huge part of my life: outdoor exercise w/ him is a necessity. I have a pet so that I will get outside for fresh air & exercise. Beaches are a great alternative to wet & muddy grass or trails. Where else can I go for beauty & exercise? Dogs should be kept away from some areas and rules must be posted.
4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?
I would consider the occasional ticket clearly because I don't know where else to go!!! I would be FURIOUS... I would spend weekend time driving out of the city in search of alternatives.
5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?
YES!! off-leash brings more people and a community I can trust!! I feel STRONGLY ABOUT THIS!

Signed: Audrey Newell

Date 2-2-02.

1136-01-1A

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FEB 11 2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Doink Ron [optional]: Age: _____ Sex M F

Ethnicity _____

Address: 310 Sandy St SF. CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

6 days a week

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

yes

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

yes!!

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

it would be the am. life upside down

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

yes!

Signed: Doink Ron Date 2/9/02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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Date: 10 FEB 02

1137-01-1C

FEB 11 2002

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: STEPHEN D'ANGELO (optional: Age: 54 Sex M F Ethnicity)
Address: 1107 GALVEZ DR PACIFICA CA 94044
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

FT. FUNSTON 2 X/MO DOG WALKING & EXERCISE
MORI POINT 2 X/MO " "

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT IS THAT THIS A POSITIVE SOCIAL ACTIVITY FOR DOGS, AND IT IS THE ONLY WAY THEY CAN GET A GOOD PHYSICAL WORKOUT BECAUSE I AM UNABLE TO RUN OR SWIM WITH THEM

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

I BELIEVE THAT DOG DOCKETS WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO VOLUNTEER IN ALL GGNRA AREAS. THEY COULD EDUCATE DOG OWNERS TO POLICE THEMSELVES AND TEACH "GOOD DOG BEHAVIOR"

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I WOULD NO LONGER HAVE ANY LEGAL EXERCISE VENUE FOR MY DOGS. I WOULD HAVE TO BECOME A LAW BREAKER

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

LEASHED DOGS SOMETIMES ARE MORE AGGRESSIVE, I HAVE NEVER WITNESSED ANY AGGRESSIVE DOGS IN FORT FUNSTON.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 10 FEB 02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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Date: 2/11/02

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FEB 11 2002

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: Joni Leiva (optional: Age: 45 Sex M F Ethnicity)

Address: 493 Copeland St. Pacifica Ca. 94044 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I visit the Fort Funston site regularly 1-2 times weekly. Also visit Montara Mountain, via old coast highway regularly. A Sweeny ridge occasionally. I also regularly use Mori Point Mountain.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

I usually meet my sister who also takes her dogs to run. I've met a lot of people + dogs all having a great time enjoying their dogs off-leash.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

I do. Fort Funston is where I love to take my dog most. I always have a great time there + the dogs enjoy it so much. It's the only place I can go + not worry about my dog bothering anyone. There are plenty of bags and cans to dispose of doggie waste + I have never seen a problem with messes, dog fights or anything negative. It's always a great experience. We need it.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I have a very active young dog + unless she can get to run freely she can't possibly get enough exercise to be content, therefore no one at home could be content either because she'll drive us crazy.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel most dog owners are responsible people + unless their dog is friendly they would not let it off leash. I've never felt unsafe. We get so much joy there (Fort Funston) it would truly be a sad day to lose this wonderful place to play with beloved dogs.

Signed: Joni Leiva

Date: 2/11/02

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1139-01-1A

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FEB 11 2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following ^{SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE} about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Caren Kerr [optional]: Age: 33 Sex M F

Ethnicity W

Address: 3144 22nd St SF CA 94110
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I love all the parks + beaches around ~~the~~ in SF. It is the main reason I moved here from NYC 10yr ago. At least 1/2 of the time I take my dog and friends dogs.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Off-leash recreation is an incredible way for neighbors + citizens of SF to get to know each other + feel a sense of community in such a big city. This is esp. imp't in light of 9/11.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

It is imp't + people can follow rules to make sure their dogs are well trained + be held accountable. You cannot have a dog + have no place to let them be off-leash!!! Humans

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I might not be able to live here - ^{share} their space but would have to move to Oakland with all ~~as~~ A firefighter in this town, that creative would be very disappointing + against everything I believe + feel about the spirit of

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

People can be responsible @ their dogs' in SF. Laws against off-leash are wrong!

Signed:

Caren Kerr

Date

1/2/02

1140-01-1A

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: KARIN de GIER [optional]: Age: 42 Sex M
Ethnicity Can
Address: 637 Alvarado SF CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

Fort Funston once a week.
off leash walking w/ dogs

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

yes, yes, yes,
I bring friends & family:
yes

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

absolutely
allow time sharing for off leash walking
Education of community re appropriate park use
& preservation for all people

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

a very over active dog. Difficult to maintain.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Safer with

Signed:

Date

7-9-02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

114-01-1A

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Date: 2/11/02

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following FEB 11 2002 comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: Jill Pehodka (optional: Age: 29 Sex M (F) Ethnicity)
Address: 265 Molino Drive SF CA 94127
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I have consistently used the GGNRA on average, once per week, over the past 7 years. I've walked in Golden Gate Park, biked, walked my dog, visited museums, etc.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

I've been to Fort Funston with my dog many many times. I've been there, before we got our dog, with my friends and their two dogs. Finally, I've been there with friends, without any of us having dogs, just to walk around and visit dogs. We love this place!

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Yes - off-leash recreation is appropriate. I would suggest that the percentage of off-leash areas should directly correspond with the percentage of SF residents who own dogs.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

Overtime, we would consider moving out of SF to a more dog-friendly town. We are home owners and tax payers.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel safer with them, just as I feel safer with parks around. Everyone (dogs & people) need outlets, open spaces, and time each week to run and exercise.

Signed: Jill Pehodka

Date: 2/11/02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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Date: 2-8-02

1142-01-1A

FEB 11 2002

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: Regina Burke (optional: Age: 37 Sex M Ethnicity)

Address: 1268 5th AVE #1 SAN FRANCISCO CA 94122 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I visit Fort Funston about 1-2 times a week. I go there with my children & dog. It is a wonderful place for both children & dogs! My dog gets to socialize with other dogs & gets a great walk! My girls love it because they too can get outdoors & walk without fear of running into the street. They like seeing the other dogs.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Definitely - my girlfriend & I take our dogs and our children there. The dogs are well behaved & our children can run around out there & we don't have to be worried about cars or bikes. It's a great place for us to talk & catch up! I take out of town family & kids there too! My nieces & nephews love the open area & seeing all the dogs playing.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations. OFF-Leash areas are very vital for people as well as animals.

In my case - my dog needs exercise (some off-leash time) & I have 2 small children. When I go to Fort Funston the whole family gets some off-leash time. I think fencing off areas where dogs can't go is great. There is some fencing now & it's wonderful - not only does it keep the dogs out but it also keeps my kids from ~~around~~ running around in that area too. The off-leash areas are so important to families with pets.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It is so hard trying to find places for both children & dogs. For me it would be extremely hard if I couldn't bring the "whole" family to off-leash recreation areas in the GGNRA. My children are small, & so to run after them with a leashed dog is quite hard. My dog is great & never goes very far - it has been a godsend that I can give her some freedom as well as my children!

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel safe with the presence of off-leash dogs. I take both my children to these areas & never have a problem. People are very aware of the children & the dogs are well-behaved.

Signed: Regina Burke

Date 2-8-02 GGNRA04259

1143-01-1A

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following Superintendent O'Neill's comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name INNA KALYUZHNAYA (optional) Age 19 Sex: M F

Ethnicity _____

Address 3912 B 17th Street - S.F. CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

I visit on a weekly basis with my dog Polo K. Polo runs & plays with other dogs. I sometimes bring a friend or two with me to enjoy the various doggie activities when the weather is nice.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

While Polo plays, the other doggie parents & I chat about recent news or anything else dog related.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

The Park Service can preserve areas by putting up natural barriers such as thick tall bushes so that people and dogs will not romp those protected areas.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

Both Polo & I will be devastated if these areas are turned into on-leash spaces. Polo will not feel free & would not get enough exercise.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel much safer with dogs off-leash. I'm sure the dogs feel better off-leash too.

Signed Inna Kalyuzhnaya Date 02/09/02

1144-01-1A

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

FEB 11 2002

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: Dina Morden [optional]: Age: 33 Sex M F

Ethnicity _____
Address: 74 Hartford St SF CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

We go to Fort Funston at least once a week, if not more. We go to get the dogs great exercise

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Yes, definitely. It is often the place (Fort Funston) where we can bring family or visitors from out of town to see the beautiful view.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Yes.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

Yes, great impact. wouldn't be able to get exercise with my dogs.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Feel safer with them off leash

Signed: Dina Morden Date 2/2/2002

1145-01-1A

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FEB 11 2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my ^{SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE} comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: BARRY RIDERMAN [optional]: Age: 55 Sex M F

Ethnicity: _____

Address: 1291 Sanchez SP CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I bring my border collie, Phoebe, to Fort Funston weekly. There is a large community of responsible dog owners. She loves swimming in the ocean. The large open space is conducive to nonaggressive dog play.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

There is a wonderful diverse population of people & dogs. I often bring my 89yr old mother for the walk along the cliffs & the path to the beach.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

San Francisco must have ^{large} off leash areas for dogs. There is a direct relation between aggression & confinement.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

More stress. The lack of public open space for humans & dogs is criminal. I travel throughout California & the Southwest & places such as Palm Springs & Tucson, AZ have large, green dog parks with water toys & small p.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

~~Every~~ Every area in the city where dogs run off-leash is safer - especially for women & children.

Signed: Barry Riderman Date: 2/1/02

1146-01-1A

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

FEB 11 2002

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Anna Marie Hall [optional]: Age: F Sex M F

Ethnicity _____

Address: 3618 92nd St San Francisco Ca 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

12 x week. Ft. Funston. = Running my dog. Exercise
Fresh air. Socialization

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Of course it's a social outlet. Most of my real
friends are through this activity

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Off leash recreation is not only appropriate, it is
necessary. NO specific recommendations. LEAVE
US ALONE.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

Disaster. Inhumane.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Definitely safer.

Signed: Anna Marie Hall Date 2-9-02

1147-01-1A

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FEB 11 2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name NICKI VASQUEZ (optional) Age _____ Sex: M F

Ethnicity _____

Address 310 SANITIZ ST SF CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

6 days/week

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Yes to all of the above

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Yes, GGNRA should accommodate off-leash dog walking

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

large impact on dog & self.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

Safer w/ dogs off-leash

Signed  Date 2/9/02

1148-02-1C

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I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

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Name: Angela Champney (optional: Age: _____ Sex M F Ethnicity _____)
Address: 408 Boardwalk dr. #13 San Bruno CA 94066
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I walk my dog about 4 times a week at the Sharp Park beach and about two times a week at Ft. Funston and occasionally at Sweeney Ridge. My main reason is to exercise + let my dog run around b/c these are some of the last places (w/ the exception of SR) where my dog has that freedom. Taking my dog out is part of my daily routine therefore it is very important that these areas continue to allow off-leash abilities.

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

People take their dogs to off-leash areas b/c their dog is safe + friendly. When you go to Ft. Funston, you are surrounded by happy + friendly dogs. When you go to an on-leash ~~restricted~~ area, you will find more dogs who are aggressive + unsocialized. All the problems I've ever had w/ dog aggression occurred in a leash designated area, such as Sweeney Ridge. I feel much safer in the company of dogs who are allowed their freedom.

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It is very much a social outlet for me. I meet up w/ friends at the beach, my ~~dog~~ dad comes down from Sonoma to walk w/m + my dog and it's great to let her run loose and be happy! Without that kind of exercise, she would surely become bored + maybe aggressive. If there were no longer any off-leash areas, I would probably move out of the Bay area.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

There are very few "natural" places amongst this growing ~~Bay~~ industrial Bay area so it is so important that we have a place to go, w/ our dogs, to get away from the ~~hustle~~ craziness + construction of the city. Dogs are meant to be off-leash so you cannot restrain them from enjoying this freedom as well. It would be wise to have Park Service agents in these areas who patrol for aggressive or problematic dogs.

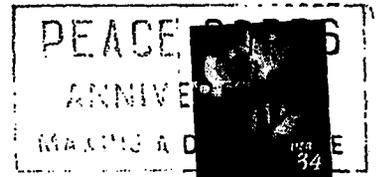
5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

The GGNRA has NO right to change the conditions under which the land was given. It is totally unexcusable for any reason. We will fight them to the end on this matter if these lands become on-leash.

Signed: Angela Champney Date 2/11/02

Please fold and staple and mail this letter to the GGNRA. If possible, also mail or fax a copy to SFDog, PO Box 31071, SF, CA 94131-0071, fax#: (415) 608-1588. Thank you!

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**Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123**

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P.S.

I was given a ticket once for having my dog off-leash at Sharp Park. The officer stated that "wildlife must be protected in the area" from dogs running amok. What a contradiction you guys make on these matters. The Sharp Park Golf course continues to expand at a far worse rate of destruction to the surrounding wildlife. Money always seems to take precedence over the protection of our natural lands. I'm just wondering how much money is involved w/ keeping dogs on-leash? What do you guys get out of it? It's obvious that people want ~~the~~ these areas kept off-leash so I urge you to keep w/ the people's ^{GNRA} rights to ~~the~~ our lands. 1-1.CC

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name Norm Buten (optional) Age 45 Sex: M F

Ethnicity African Tribal

Address 427 Noe St. San Francisco CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

I go to Crissy Field and Fort Funston. Walking and stretching my dog. My dog needs the space to run as I live in a typically restricted San Francisco Apartment.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Yes. The social interaction is essential for both me and my dog

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Yes. We don't expect to have access to the entire area. We realise we have to coexist with other interest groups and preserve certain areas. We just need an area big enough to let our dogs run

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

My dog would not have an area to run and my social life would be restricted.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

Feel safer WITH. Dog owners are socially conscious people, as opposed to drug dealers who have been known to frequent the parks

Signed

Date

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support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: DIANE GRAHAM FEB 11 (optional: Age: _____ Sex M F Ethnicity _____)
Address: 2630 EUCALYPTUS SAN BRUNO CA 94066
(street) (city/state/zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

As a retired woman I go to the beach to walk my dog, everyday. I enjoy the fresh air and ocean landscape. But most of all my dog enjoys the freedom of one of the last off-leash area

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

I am over sixty year old and I personally feel safer when dogs are allowed free Roaming ability. Most dogs kept on a leash are the ones that have aggression problems.

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I meet a group of Retired friends who like myself own dogs and like to let them play while we socialize. If there were no ~~later~~ longer any off-leash areas preserved I would seriously consider leaving the Bay Area because it's very important that my dog has the chance to exercise (my dog is recovering from cancer which makes exercise more important)

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

Most people own dogs and make the most use out of these areas. To make these areas more enjoyable to everyone, the park service might enforce stricter laws regarding the ~~teaching designating~~ designating ~~ag~~ of aggressive dogs.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

Absolutely NOT!!

Signed: Diane Graham

Date 2/11/02

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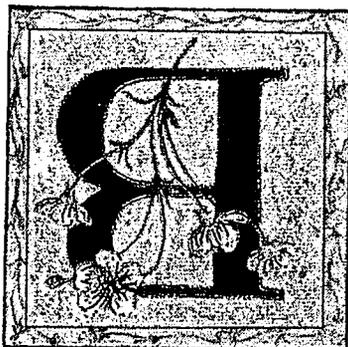
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Feb 6 2002

Dear Mr. O'Neil,

I write to implore you to defend the rights of the majority of visitors to national parks. Specifically, my (our) right to visit and explore the parks without fear of being bitten or harassed by off-leash dogs. I am particularly concerned that Golden Gate NRA continue to prevent dog owners from abusing the privilege of having a park in their neighborhood by treating it as their private dog-run. The case has clear implications for parks

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around the country. Thank you for your good work and please contact me if I can assist in this battle.

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To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

Lax enforcement at GGNRA has resulted in many documented cases of off-leash pets threatening or biting park visitors and hazardous rescues of uncontrolled pets and their owners. It is no surprise that 82% of Bay Area residents (KPIX poll) prefer pets on leash. I agree!

Sincerely,



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Mark Schlesinger

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

February 7, 2002

Mr. Brian O'Neill
Superintendent Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Bldg. 201, Fort Mason
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

As a frequent visitor to Crissy Field and Fort Funston, I am writing in support of the existing policies that allow off leash dog walking in the GGNRA. Traditional off-leash use occurs in only 0.5% of the 74,000 acres that make up the GGNRA. Surely there are ways that this longstanding policy can continue, while allowing for the preservation of the area's natural resources and other recreational uses.

I hope that the dog-owners of the Bay area can count on your efforts to uphold this policy.

Cordially,



2512 Union Street San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill: 1154-01-3B

Date: _____

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Brown Withycombe (optional: Age: 46 Sex M F Ethnicity W)

Address: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

Exercise and Peace of mind. 3x a week

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Yes

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Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Because Dogs on leash are more violent.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Dogs offleash are safer !!

Signed: [Signature]

Date 2/6/02
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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name Kirstin Dougall (optional) Age _____ Sex: M F

Ethnicity _____

Address 205 Diamond SF CA 94114
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

3-4 times per week - Dolores Park
Dog walking is primary activity for the past 3 years.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

Off-leash activity in Dolores Park has allowed me meet many new people and connect with the community where I had not previously living in San Fran

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Off-leash recreation is critical for the dogs of San Francisco and their families. The Park Service should preserve open off-leash areas.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I would be devastated if there were no off-leash areas and would be tempted to rent my home and move out of San Francisco.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

Same either way.

Signed

[Signature]

Date

2/9/02

perhaps separation from other areas with landscape such as shrubs bushes.

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my ^{SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE} comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name JOHN K. ANDERSON (optional) Age 37 Sex: M F

Ethnicity White/Cauc

Address 979 Florida St. SF CA 94116
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

2-3 x's per week mainly to run my dog off leash

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

yes! yes! yes!

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

yes! There is room for all activities and this is important for our dogs to socialize.
Designate areas for off leash

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

My dog wouldn't get the exercise needed.
And, I wouldn't meet as many friendly dog owners

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

Safer w/o leash

Signed John K. Anderson Date 9-Feb-02

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name JOHN CUKLA (optional) Age 31 Sex: M F

Ethnicity _____

Address 18 LAUSING ST #206 SF CA 94105
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

We go to Chrissy field to relax, walk along the beach. The dogs love to run in the water and swim. We don't go in the water w/ them.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

It's a "family" activity for us.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

I believe areas should definitely be off-leash. Certain areas can be restricted for ~~park~~ environmental protection.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

Our dogs wouldn't get their much needed exercise.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel safe w/ off-leash dogs.

Signed John Cukla Date 2/9/2002

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

Date: 2-9-2002

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

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Name: William Hall (optional: Age: 38 Sex: M F Ethnicity: White)

Address: 671 Imperial Dr (street) San Dimas (city) CA (state) 94044 (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I visit Fort Funston on a daily basis. I am originally from Delaware and was very impressed with Fort Funston, the dogs and the people. It is a great place for walk for both myself and my dog.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

I bring friends and family to Fort Funston. It is a very social place and my daughter loves it there especially because of the dogs.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Off leash recreation is very appropriate for portions of the GGNRA. It is a wonderful situation for both people and their pets to interact with each other.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It would take away a very important and fun daily activity in my life.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel very safe with off-leash dogs

Signed:

W. P. Hall

Date: 2-9-2002

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following ~~the Superintendent's~~ ^{SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE} comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name LAURA WILLIAMS ARONIA (optional) Age 30 Sex: M F

Ethnicity _____

Address 3585 18TH STREET SAN FRANCISCO CA 94110
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often, and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe how.

I take my dogs to Fort Funston occasionally. We use the beach for off leash recreation and socialization with my pets.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends or family along, or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

I have made many friends while exercising my dogs. My husband and friends also come with me to Fort Funston.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

I do believe that off leash recreation is not only appropriate but necessary for portion of the GGNRA. There are many areas that can be safely used for off leash recreation if they are available.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

As a resident of SF, I would lose a major area of access for my dog.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs, or would you feel safer without their presence?

off leash dogs are better exercised ^{and socialized} than dogs who are never off-leash. In marked off-leash areas, it is very safe.

Signed Laura Williams Aronia Date 2/9/2002

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

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I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: OWEN RATCHYF [optional]: Age: 40 Sex: M F

Ethnicity: C

Address: 2944 23rd ST SP CA 94110
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

1-2x per month - mostly dog walking, bike rides, and occasional hikes. Benefits: outdoors - relaxation, nature solitude.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

definitely a social outlet. Dogs are a great social lubricant and ice-breaker. We have met so many people - from acquaintances to good friend through dog walking. We have also brought many new folks to GGNRA via dog walks.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Offleash recreation is appropriate for a great many - maybe most parts, of the GGNRA. More areas available means the use is dispersed, and impacts lessened so that nature can handle them.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

quality of life for me, my family, and dog would be greatly diminished. The less dog areas there are, the more concentrated the dog impacts are -> big problem.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Safer - more people and dogs = ~~more~~ more safety.

Signed: *Owen Ratchyf* Date 2/2/02

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Date: Feb 3, 2002

support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

REBECCA JENNINGS SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE (optional: Age: _____ Sex M F Ethnicity _____)
 address: 105 PROSPECT SF CA 94110
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

It is relaxing to enjoy Fort Funston + ~~Baker~~ ^{the} Beach with friends, family, + dogs. by Crissy Field

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

We get together with another couple once a month + have Sunday bkpst + take our dogs to Ft. Funston. It is ~~the~~ ^{our} main activity together. Also my husband + I enjoy being with our dog getting to run + socialize & play.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

Our dog is part of the family + the beach is a perfect, safe place for him to run off-leash + socialize w/ other dogs. 2 RECOMMENDATIONS:
 1) MORE FENCES TO KEEP DOGS OUT OF SENSITIVE AREAS
 2) EDUCATE DOG OWNERS; EXAMPLE: DON'T THROW BALL INTO PLANTED AREA FOR DOGS TO FETCH.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I wouldn't go to GGNRA's nearly as often, which would be a loss.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I have never felt threatened by an off-leash dog at GGNRA or ~~other~~ city off-leash area. I feel safe with off-leash dogs.

Signed: *Rebecca Jennings*

Date: Feb 4, 2002

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Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Name: Charlie Courtney [optional]: Age: 37 Sex M F

Ethnicity H. Spanish

Address: 766 Nue St SF CA 94114
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

To allow my dog to run freely. 3x week.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

met ^{many} friends as my dog has.

Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

It is a learning activity for children to learn the difference of bad & good dogs. most at risk children only see violent dogs. This allows them to learn how to know a dog.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

Depends on dog. This should be responsibility of owner.

Signed: [Signature]

Date 2/9/02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I AM IN FAVOR OF
Changing The Rules ⁱⁿ
The OGNRA TO Allow
Dogs OFF leash.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

In particular I would like
to see Fort Funston as 1163-01-
an OFF leash area and 1A
Parts of Ocean Beach.

Thank You** Carola Hamann

To Whom It May Concern:

7164-01-1A

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

Lax enforcement at GGNRA has resulted in many documented cases of off-leash pets threatening or biting park visitors and hazardous rescues of uncontrolled pets and their owners. It is no surprise that 82% of Bay Area residents (KPIX poll) prefer pets on leash. I agree!

Sincerely,

Jacob Sigg Jacob Sigg
338 Ortega St.
San Francisco 94122

To Whom It May Concern:

1165-01-1A

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

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Sincerely,

MARY ANNE KAYJATOS
MARY ANNE KAYJATOS
1735 VAN NEAS AVE #501
SF 94109

To Whom It May Concern:

1166-01-1A

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

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Sincerely,

Priscilla Joffe
Priscilla Joffe
142 28th Ave
S.F. (a. 94121)

To Whom It May Concern:

1167-01-1A

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

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Sincerely,

Gerardo Jaffe
Gerardo Jaffe
142 28th Ave. SF. Ca. 94121

To Whom It May Concern:

1168-01-10

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

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Sincerely,

Helen R. Foster
Helen R. Foster
62 Castle Rock Way
Oakland 94611

To Whom It May Concern:

1169-01-1A

I strongly support existing regulations that require pets to be on leash and on trail when in national parks. I support Option A as proposed in the recent ANPR.

Changing the leash law for just the GGNRA would set a dangerous precedent for national parks throughout the country. Allowing pets off-leash is inconsistent with the park mission to protect natural resources and the safety of all visitors. Numerous scientific studies—including one by the American Humane Association—identify off-leash pets as a threat to visitor safety and wildlife and therefore recommend that pets be leashed in natural areas.

Lax enforcement at GGNRA has resulted in many documented cases of off-leash pets threatening or biting park visitors and hazardous rescues of uncontrolled pets and their owners. It is no surprise that 82% of Bay Area residents (KPIX poll) prefer pets on leash. I agree!

Sincerely,

Kazuki Aliyoshi

I don't want to see the

53 Eastwood Dr.

island, national parks get

San Francisco, CA 94112

(habitat) devastated by dogs.

1170-01-1A

Ralph and Caryl Cechettini

February 7, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreational Area
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Re: Off-Leash Dog Recreation in San Francisco

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

To Whom It May Concern:

As a dog owner and resident of the Marina District in San Francisco, I am writing in support of off-leash activity, which I believe can continue while respecting general park uses, including preservation of natural resources and other recreational activities.

Pet ownership in San Francisco has become increasingly sophisticated and responsible. Monitoring groups (such as SF Dog) educate off-leash dog owners regarding their responsibilities and provide clean-up bags. Peer pressure keeps owners in check regarding animal behavior and clean-up. Citizens -- both dog owners and non-dog owners alike -- work together to maintain and enhance our parks and recreational areas.

Historically, pets have played an important role in boosting the human spirit: i.e., curbing aggression, mitigating depression, and providing love and companionship. This relationship is both well researched and documented; and it is especially beneficial in urban/high-density settings such as the Bay Area.

Today, more than ever, pet owners recognize the importance of controlling their animals and respecting the rights of everyone to enjoy our recreational parks. We will remain committed to accomplishing this in an off-leash environment.

Sincerely,


Caryl Cechettini

1171-01-1A

Lila E. Kaddas
2768-41st Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116
Home Phone 415 731-6901

February 07, 2002

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Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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To Whom It May Concern,,

I am writing to let you know that I am deeply troubled by the news that you are planning to make it mandatory to leash dogs at Fort Funston.

I very frequently walk with my daughter and her two dogs at Fort Funston. I am elderly and this activity has become the highlight of my day. I especially enjoy the views and watching the dogs run free. The dog owners are very responsible and pick up after their dogs and keep them under control, even though they are off-leash. I see no reason to change the policy now. Perhaps you should consider turning the land back over to the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Lila E. Kaddas

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Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco CA 94123

Dear Park Service:

Dogs are often the best friends and favorite companions of many children, disabled, and frail elderly people who live in apartments or homes with tiny yards. These people want and need to give their furry friends some freedom and exercise. They are unable to walk their dogs at anything resembling a brisk pace on leash, and slow walking doesn't provide the exercise the pets need for weight and energy control and health. They need off-leash dog walking accommodations.

Younger healthy adults also love their dogs and want to provide exercise for them. These folks are often seen jogging or riding bikes with dogs running along at their own pace. Bikers run the risk of strangling their dogs if using leashes. Joggers can't work up a good steady pace with leashed Rover stopping to sniff and then dashing ahead. These people need off-leash dog walking accommodations.

For years I have joined my friend in walking her two dogs at Crissy Field and Fort Funston. I have greatly enjoyed not only her pets, but the many well-behaved pups we encountered at both locations. People enjoying these National Park facilities with their pets generally have the dogs under good voice control. I believe the number of people desiring off-leash areas is substantial enough to warrant serious consideration by the GGNRA. It's very sad to have lost access to the glorious open areas at Crissy and Funston.

I am a dog lover, but not a dog owner (or guardian, if you prefer). I am a member of both the GGNRA and SPCA. I really believe you can reestablish a Pet Policy permitting off-leash dog walking in some GGNRA areas while accommodating environmental and other recreational needs.

Sincerely,



Frances Heffeman
5450 Fulton, Apt. 8
San Francisco CA 94121-3536

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Lawrence Schrupp
2131 - 24th Street
San Francisco, CA 94107

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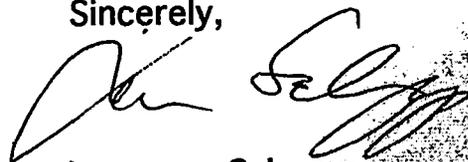
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attn: ANPR
Fort mason, Bldg. 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

This is in regards to the proposal to make an exception to the ban on off-leash dogs in the GGNRA.

Despite the vocal lobbying of many dog owners, I urge you NOT to lift this ban. Walking my own dog (on lead) at the beach, and in other parts of the GGNRA, I have experienced many incidents where out of control, unleashed dogs have been aggressive, and even attacked other dogs. Their irresponsible owners should not be given carte blanche to let this happen. Also, I believe that wildlife, not pets, should be the priority in the GGNRA.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Lawrence Schrupp

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1342 2nd Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94122
February 13, 2002

GGNRA
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern:

The Citizens Advisory Committee has repeatedly ignored the public outcry for off-leash dog walking within the GGNRA. It was our understanding that the Committee was there to represent public opinion about issues and report back to the National Park Service with that public opinion. It is infuriating that the Committee has its own opinion and is drumming up public opinion to support the decision of off-leash walking that the Committee has already made. What is a citizen to do when letters have been written and meetings have been attended and yet the Committee still ignores the public outcry and refuses to represent these people? Despite the Committees promise at one meeting that it would. Broken promises seem to be the Committees main focus. When the city of San Francisco gave the land to the National Park Service for the creation of the GGNRA, the NPS promised that off-leash dog walking recreation would continue. Slowly over the past 10 years areas of recreation and of recreational off-leash dog walking have disappeared due to threatened species, erosion control, as well as other unsupported reasons the GGNRA has given. Now the GGNRA's Citizens Advisory Commission wants to take away off-leash dog walking recreation within the entire GGNRA. The Citizens Advisory Committee should be ashamed of its conduct in this off-leash issue and some serious reform is needed of this Citizen's Committee that does its utmost to ignore public opinion and chooses not to represent the public opinion.

The employees of the GGNRA have long ago taken the word Recreation out of their name and made the vast lands in the Bay Area a nature reserve. Except of course at Baker Beach where the "need" for a convention center far outweighs that of any nature or recreational matters. Much money has gone into Crissy Field, yet much of the land down there is off limits to any recreation because of the sanctuaries that were set up. What are city people to do for recreation? The GGNRA does not seem to be bothered by this. Recreation, of any sort, is a need that has to be considered in a city dwelling. A balance must be reached without sacrificing any one activity or concern.

Concerning off-leash dog walking. The 1992 NPS Western District Regional Director assured the US senators from California that "At this time, there is no change in the 1979 Pet Policy which provides the visitor the privilege of walking one's dog off leash." This was only 8 years ago. So, why the change now? Why is it suddenly illegal to walk one's dog off leash?

The Pet Policy was created after extensive public hearings. It should have been incorporated as a special rule for the GGNRA, just like off-leash dogs for hunting was created as a general rule for 45 other national parks. This was an oversight and should be corrected now.

I am writing to you for help. The few areas that the city of San Francisco has for off-leash dog walking are too few for the number of people whom have dogs. The areas within the GGNRA, such as Rodeo beach, Crissy Field, Ocean Beach and Fort Funston, are necessary for the citizens to have to continue with their recreational activity of off-leash dog walking. The people who want the Pet Policy to remain in tact, and added as a special rule for the GGNRA need your help. Please help us in keeping this off-leash recreational activity in this beautiful bay area our privilege. We know it is a privilege and treat it as such.

Sincerely,



Michele Gachowski and William Strachan

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February 15, 2002

Robert A. Johnson
557 27th Street, Unit 32
San Francisco, CA 94131

Attention A.N.P.R.
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Sir:

It is important to us and the health of our companions to have an OFF-LEASH area to exercise in the GGNRA. We would like the GGNRA to impose an exception to the off-leash rule, as it has done in other national parks.

Thank you,
Robert A. Johnson



PARRY SADOFF
49 RIDGE AVENUE
MILL VALLEY, CA 94941
(415) 389-1332

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

2/15/2002

DEAR SIRS / MADAME -

I implore you to please
RECONSIDER YOUR NATIONAL PARK
SERVICE RULE RE: OFF-LEASH DOGS.

WHY THERE SHOULD BE OFF-LEASH AREAS IN THE GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

- Off-leash areas are essential to the well-being of dogs. Regular off-leash exercise burns off pent-up energy, builds confidence, improves dog's social skills and helps prevent aggression. Conversely, limiting dog play results in under-socialized, under-exercised, under-stimulated dogs and often leads to behavior problems.
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- With proper management, the GGNRA can accommodate wildlife and human activity. Bicycling, hiking, hang-gliding, dog walking and other pursuits can co-exist with birds and plants.
- Off-leash recreation is an under-served need. The State of California recently recognized that fact with plans to test an off-leash area at Candlestick State Recreation Area in San Francisco.

THANK YOU -

Parry Sadoff

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For years, Goldie "life-guarded" me while I swam at the Coast Guard "piers" - alas, we are unable to enjoy that any more.

But Goldie and I are very respectful of the Crissy Field environment - I pick up all garbage routinely on our walks.

Pet owners and pets can remain unleashed and still respect the rights of others and our natural resources.

Please keep unleashed dog walking at Crissy!
 SARAH MCCUSKEY
 Sarah McCuskey

To: GG NRA,
 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

FEB 19 2002

My family and I strongly support off-leash dog walking at Crissy Field. There is a place there for me and my 1 1/2 yr old Goldie. She, like most dogs I encounter at Crissy, loves walking (I occasionally running) part in the water and on the beach. I truly believe dogs are more sociable and less "territorial" when they are off-leash. In fact, this applies to their human counterparts also.



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I DON'T WANT TO BREAK THE
LAW. LUCKILY I HAVE A TRUCK
AND CAN TAKE MY BEST FRIEND
OVER TO EAST BAY REGIONAL PARKS,
PT. ISABEL ONCE A WEEK.
I FEEL SAFE THERE. I LIVE
NEAR THE PANHANDLE OF
G.G. PARK. WHEN I TAKE MY
DOG THERE TO RUN I FEEL
SO GUILTY! I'M BREAKING THE
LAW... I PAY TAXES LIKE
EVERYONE ELSE IN THE CITY;
WHY CAN'T I ENJOY THE
PARKS I HELP TO MAINTAIN?
ALSO, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED
HUMAN PEOPLE DO MORE
DAMAGE TO OUR PARKS THAN
MY DOG. WE DODGE NEEDLES,
GARBAGE, HUMAN FEACES DAILY.
IF MY DOG CAN'T RUN AND
GET EXERCISE I'LL HAVE →
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TO STOP FEEDING HER.
IF I KEEP FEEDING HER
AND ONLY WALK HER
ON LEASH; SHE WILL GET
SO FAT SHE'LL EXPLODE
AND DIE. TOO YOUNG!
SHE'S MY BEST FRIEND.
I DON'T WANT TO BREAK
THE LAW.

KRISTEN ROSS
1471 HAYES ST.
SFCA 94117
415 292 7998

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BRUCE ARMSTRONG

February 10, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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Attention: ANPR

I am a San Francisco resident and a past and future dog owner. My family and I enjoy San Francisco's parks and beaches on a regular basis. We especially enjoy the off-leash recreation in the GGNRA where we can walk along the beach at Crissy Field and Ocean Beach and interact with the dogs that are running and swimming. My children especially enjoy playing fetch with the dogs that are swimming.

I understand from the ANPR that Bay Area residents are in immediate danger of losing our right to walk our dogs off-leash in the GGNRA including Fort Funston, Crissy Field, Ocean Beach and Rodeo Beach.

This is alarming. The 1997 Pet Policy was put in place to protect the right of San Franciscans to walk our dogs on this lands as we have for 40 years. When the Pet Policy was created (after extensive public hearings) it should have been incorporated as a special rule for the GGNRA – just as off-leash policies were created as a general rule for hunting dogs in 45 other national parks and recreation areas. It astounds me that dogs are allowed off leash to HUNT but not to run, play and swim with their owners. The National Park Service Western District Regional director assured both US Senators from California that "the 1979 Pet Policy is the operative policy in the GGNRA".

I note that in the past 2 years these beach areas have been subject to significant cut back of areas designated off-leash. Crissy Field recently had over half the beach space designated NO DOGS, Baker Beach has been designated leash only and Ocean Beach and Fort Funston have been incrementally restricting the off-leash areas. Over 60% of the people on the beaches at any given time are people with dogs. In fact, the Crissy Field "no dogs" beach is now largely vacant and enjoyed by no one.

Access to and enjoyment of our beaches by all is an important factor in the quality of life in San Francisco. As is demonstrated by current practice, including the designated "no dogs" portion of the beach at Crissy Field, there is room for all at Crissy Field and the other GGNRA beaches. Traditional off-leash activity occurs in only 0.5% of the 74,000 acres of the GGNRA. I, and the dog-owning and loving citizens of San Francisco, deserve space designated as off-leash to recreate and play with our dogs.

Sincerely,


Bruce Armstrong

Cc : Crissy Field Dog Group

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Sincerely,



Bruce Armstrong

Cc : Crissy Field Dog Group

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Feb 15, 2002

National Park Service,

I strongly value off-leash dog walking and I think off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources and other recreational interests in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Sincerely
Dorothy Rodriguez

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HILLARY ARMSTRONG

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Sincerely,



Hillary Armstrong

Cc : Crissy Field Dog Group

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Please reconsider your
decision against off-
lease dog. San Fran-
cisco needs a place like
H. Junction for dog to
play - the GGNA
should make an excep-
tion to the off-lease

Yours —

Clay Pollard
255 Corbett #4
SF, CA 94131

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14 February 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Building 201, Fort Mason
San Francisco, CA 94123

Re: Pet Management in GGNRA

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to comment on the Pet Management policy as it pertains to Tennessee Valley, which is my closest access to the GGNRA.

I feel that the "no dogs" policy for this part of the GGNRA is important to reaffirm and to enforce. I see more wild animals here than in Yosemite. The hills and woodland are home to a wide variety of wildlife. I look forward to springtime and the parade of babies that arrive. The baby quails, fawns, rabbits and ducklings are what I'm most likely to see as I walk to the beach. In the hills, however, I've seen bobcat kittens and coyote pups. Dogs will chase and kill these animals which have become accustomed to hikers, bikers and horseback riders.

I am a dog-lover but I do not want to see them on-leash or off in this area. Despite the current signage, I continue to see many dogs beyond the trailheads. In my experience, "on-leash" is seldom respected. I think it is just an invitation to open season on wildlife.

Sincerely,



Sandra Mullen
316 Richardson Dr.
Mill Valley, CA 94941

1664-01-1A

February 14, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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To Whom It May Concern,

I understand there may be some changes at Crissy Field regarding off leash for dogs. I want to be counted as someone who wants an area available with beach access for dogs to run off leash. I understand the concern people have and, unfortunately, there are always people who abuse situations.

However, it is virtually impossible to exercise a dog properly on a leash. Most of us in San Francisco live in apartments and the only space we have is public space. Parks offer just a tiny area and not much space for the owners to get a good walk in. There are also dogs that just love to leap into the water to chase a ball and this can't happen in a park.

It seems to me there is enough beach area so that everyone can have what he or she wants even if it means compromising or giving up some space. There is now also that large grassy area that is perfect for throwing Frisbees and balls for dogs. Please leave this space open for off leash too.

I am very concerned for my dog, other dogs, dog walkers, and owners who take so much pleasure from walking along the beach and letting their dogs get a good run.

Respectfully,



Diane Hulme
755 Mason St.
S.F., CA 94108
415-929-9472

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Speak up for off-leash recreation in the GGNRA

The National Park Service is taking public comment on pet management in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

What's At Stake:



In 1979 the GGNRA Citizen's Advisory Commission implemented a Pet Policy. It allowed people to walk off-leash dogs in certain areas of the park. Now the GGNRA claims it must comply with a National Park Service rule that prohibits off-leash dogs. Since last summer, the park has been enforcing a ban on off-leash dog walking. The purpose of the public comment period is to decide whether the GGNRA will consider making an exception to the off-leash ban.

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**If Off-Leash Dog Walking Is Important to You . . .
If You Care About Fair Access to Public Lands . . .**

Tell the National Park Service you value off-leash dog walking, and that off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources and other recreational interests in the GGNRA.

Mail or fax your comments to:
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123
Fax 415-561-4355

Attend the public meetings that will be announced by the GGNRA.
For meeting dates and locations, call 415-561-4728.

ACT NOW!

The deadline for public comment is March 12, 2002

**Get more information on off-leash recreation in the GGNRA
at the San Francisco SPCA Web site, www.sfspca.org**

To access the "Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking—Pet Management in Golden Gate Recreational Area," visit www.access.gpo/nara or www.nara.gov/fedreg. Copies of the ANPR are also available at GGNRA visitor centers and at public libraries in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Marin County and San Mateo County.

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**An Urgent
Message from the
San Francisco SPCA**



**The Fate of Off-Leash
Recreation Hangs In
the Balance**

Here it is

**Make Sure
Your Voice Is Heard**

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February 15, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Sir / Madam –

I am writing with respect to off-leash dog walking in the GGNRA. As a native San Franciscan I have grown up loving the Marina, Chrissy Field, Baker Beach and the lands that make up the GGNRA. I continue to enjoy running, biking, hiking and most importantly going with my parents and friends to walk their dogs off leash on these lands. Unfortunately I understand there is a proposal to ban walking dogs off leash. It seems very unfair to single out dog walkers and deny them the opportunity to use the parks and exercise their pets.

My understanding is that before these lands became part of the GGNRA walking dogs off leash was definitely allowed so it seems puzzling that this promise would be broken. Also from what I have noticed, dog walkers often congregate in areas not necessarily coveted by other groups (joggers, windsurfers, others). What seems reasonable to me is to have certain areas require dogs to be leashed, but there should also be areas where dogs are allowed to run free. At Chrissy Field (the beach I frequent most often) dog owners pick up not only after their dogs, but also help clean up the beach on their daily walks. I trust the GGNRA will consider the feelings of its supporters in coming to its decision and come to the fair conclusion and leave the policies as they stand!

Sincerely,

Frances Hochschild
2517 Broadway
San Francisco, CA 94115

What's At Stake:

1061-01-1A



In 1979 the GGNRA Citizen's Advisory Commission implemented a Pet Policy. It allowed people to walk off-leash dogs in certain areas of the park. Now the GGNRA claims it must comply with a National Park Service rule that prohibits off-leash dogs. Since last summer, the park has been enforcing a ban on off-leash dog walking. The purpose of the public comment period is to decide whether the GGNRA will consider making an exception to the off-leash ban.

→ A BAD DECISION !! (Unfair to animals + owners)

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If Off-Leash Dog Walking Is Important to You very Important !!

If You Care About Fair Access to Public Lands . . . yes

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Tell the National Park Service you value off-leash dog walking, and that off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources and other recreational interests in the GGNRA.

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This is to add my voice to those who oppose the banishment of off-leash dog recreation in the GGNRA. It is patently unfair to deprive the vast majority of dogs and owners who are compliant with the rules of good behavior and who benefit so greatly from the chance for healthful exercise. Responsibility for observing these rules should be on the dog owners, and those who fail to comply should be penalized accordingly, as in any other aspect of society.

Thank you.

John W. Hillier
136 Pellbrook Ave.
San Francisco CA 94131

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S. G. Nat. Rec. Area

Attn: ANPR

Ft. Mason, SE

Feb. 16, '02

Re: Off Leash Dog Walking

The above activity is very important to those of us who have well-trained dogs. I feel that with proper management the S.G.N.R. can accomplish this, so that sensitive areas can be protected, as well as convenient areas for people to walk their dogs, kids can ride bicycles, and will be no danger to birds and plants. These areas are not "wilderness," but urban parks - intended for use by its citizens.

Please bear this in mind when pronouncing "judgement" on this matter.

Sincerely yours,
(Mrs) Edna M. Singleton
2322 - 20th Ave.
S.F. 94116

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Dorothy Cribbs
Walter Cribbs
134 Harvard Avenue
Mill Valley, CA 94941

February 14, 2001

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to voice my support for the continued support of off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Off-leash dog walking was an intended recreational activity when San Francisco gave its beaches and coastal bluffs to the GGNRA. This type of recreation should be continued and expanded for urban environment and planning. I would like to see more of the GGNRA's acres be devoted to off-leash dog walking.

In order to better support the public on off-leash dog walking we should consider redistributing GGNRA's brochure ENJOYING THE PARK WITH YOUR DOG, updating the section WHERE CAN I TAKE MY DOG OFF LEASH? Please continue to expand and not eliminate areas for off-leash dog walking. If further regulation is required, we can issue permits for dogs who have mastered an acceptable level of voice control so that dogs and their owners can enjoy off-leash dog walking.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Cribbs
Walter Cribbs

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

Very much unless true research was done community by community
I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

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Name: Susan Gearhart 1671-01-1A (printed)
Address: 1916 Kirkham SF CA 94124
(street) (city) (state) (zip)
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Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

2-3 times per week, mainly weekends, to walk my 2 poodles, get exercise, watch birds, relax. It is a great stress reliever.

The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

When my dogs are on-leash they are more territorial and bark at other on-leash dogs - at an off-leash area they lose interest in people/other dogs and relax. They're much less threatening to others.

Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I cannot imagine the impact - I bring all of my out-of-town guests to Ft Funston as well as friends who like dogs, but cannot have them for various reasons. I have made several friends there.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

Maybe carve out some dog-free area to satisfy those that can't stand dogs. Sometimes I think people without dogs go there to pick fights with dog owners. I've seen people do really stupid things around the dogs.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

No, no, no - the rest of the city is on-leash for the most part. I wouldn't go to Funston if it

Signed: S Gearhart Date 2/18/02 (optional: Age: 46 Sex M Ethnicity C)

weren't for my dogs - they get me out and into the area.

now in the world was this determined? - I would do this

community

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1672-01-1A

I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: DAVID DRABBLE (printed)
Address: 1916 KIRKHAM ST SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF 94122
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

2-3 TIMES A WEEK TO FT. FUNSTON. WE GO TO WALK/RUN OUR 2 STANDARD POODLES. EVERYONE ENJOYS THE EXERCISE

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

WE HAVE 2 STANDARD POODLES. CHILDREN ALWAYS ASK TO PET OUR DOGS. ELDERLY PEOPLE FREQUENTLY STOP US TO TALK ABOUT OUR DOGS AND MENTION POODLES THEY HAD IN THE PAST. THIS HAPPENS FREQUENTLY. I FEEL BETTER AT OFF LEASH AREAS BECAUSE THE DOGS ARE MUCH MORE SOCIALIZED

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

SOME OF MY BEST FRIENDS I MET WALKING OUR DOGS. IT IS AN ACTIVITY WE SHARE AS A FAMILY AND WITH FRIENDS + RELATIVES WHO COME TO VISIT. WATCHING DOGS PLAY IN AN OFF LEASH ENVIRONMENT FREQUENTLY BECOMES THE HIGHLIGHT OF MANY A VISIT. TO LOSE OFF LEASH RECREATION WOULD DENY EVERYONE A SOCIAL PLACE FOR THE DOGS TO PLAY.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

I USED TO RUN MY FIRST DOG YEARS AGO BEFORE FT FUNSTON BECAME GGNRA. TO CHANGE AFTER DECADES OF PRIOR OFF LEASH USE IS WRONG. THERE ARE VERY FEW URBAN AREAS FOR SAFE OFF LEASH RECREATION. DOGS ARE A PART OF SAN FRANCISCO RESIDENTS LIFE AND LIFESTYLE. TO DENY USE WOULD SHOW THE GGNRA CARES NOTHING ABOUT LOCAL RESIDENTS.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco? NO! NO! NO! IF THEY BACK OFF ON PRIOR USE, THE LAND SHOULD REVERT TO SAN FRANCISCO FOR MANAGEMENT.

Signed: David Drabble Date 2-18-02 (optional: Age: _____ Sex M F Ethnicity _____)

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Please conduct fair hearings on this off leash question. Dogs are such wonderful companions and dealers for all people.

Off leash areas are necessary for the health of dogs. Don't make innocent animals suffer for the needs of those two idiot lawyers who used and abused dogs as a shield.



1674-01-1A

1543 McAllister St., Apt. 1
San Francisco, CA 94115
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Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in support of Off-Leash Dog Walking in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. I am not currently a dog owner, although I have been in the past. I do, however, recognize the importance of providing for many different recreational uses in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

The Golden Gate National Recreation Area is a great public blessing for the Bay Area, and for the many visitors we have from around the country. San Francisco recognized this when it gave the GGNRA area land to the National Park Service. However, San Francisco also expected that Off-Leash Dog Walking would continue to be provided in that area, as part of the multi-use which would be made of the land. Although the National Park Service prohibits Off Leash Dog Walking in its parks, many exceptions are made. If hunting dogs can be allowed to run free in wild parks, surely an area can be set aside in an urban park where pet dogs can be allowed to run free.

Off-Leash activity is critical for the health, well-being and good behavior of city dogs. All dogs need exercise and Off-Leash activity is the only chance most city dogs get to run and expend pent-up energy. It's good for the dog's health, but it is also good for both stress release and pleasure for the owner. I'm sure most dog owners fully expected to have significant areas in which to enjoy letting their pets run free.

The Golden Gate National Recreational Area is large enough to provide both the sanctuary which some animals needs and recreational areas for dogs and their owners. Please provide a small portion of its 75,000 acres for Off-Leash Dog Walking.

Sincerely,



Margaret Pearce

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Sue Crawford,
2682 Filbert St
San Francisco,
CA 94123 (email SusanCrawford@mac.com)

2/16/02

Attention ANPR, Golden Gate National Recreation Area

Dear Park Service,

I am writing to add my voice to those requesting you keep some areas of the park land around San Francisco and the Bay Area for dogs off leash. I have lived in several cities around the world and in my last 9 years here I have never known a place where dog owners were more responsible than in San Francisco.

As the mother of three children and a person who spends a lot of time outdoors I fully appreciate the needs of other families and individuals who may not want to be bothered by dogs while enjoying the countryside. I have also suffered from the problems associated with dog dirt which is not picked up, from unrestrained dogs bothering my children and taking their food and from being chased as a runner and knocked off my bike by dogs on the paths.

However it seems a shame to allow dogs no space to run. My dog is quite old and slow but when she has the chance to run on the beach she is like a puppy again and loves to paddle in the sea and chase sticks. Dogs walk at a different pace to humans too. They like to stop and sniff then run ahead, circle around each other and socialize. For both the well behaved dog and responsible owner a walk off leash is a special pleasure.

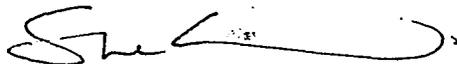
I am especially concerned with the Presidio and Crissy Field as I live in this neighborhood. Please give strong consideration to an off leash stretch of beach, ideally well away from the car parks at either end. The majority of people with children, sail boarders and elderly visitors etc congregate near the ends, while the middle stretches are quieter and dogs there would be less of a bother to everyone and could enjoy some space to run.

Having set up a reasonable boundary, clearly marked, of a half mile to a mile of beach space, I think it would then be fair to enforce on-leash walking on the main paths and on the stretches of beach close to the car parks with severe penalties for abuse of the rules.

That area of the Presidio just inside the Lombard Street gate which is primarily used by dog owners (and never seems to be used by anyone else), would surely make an excellent site for an additional off-leash run space. It has no playground or exercise equipment so what is the justification for making that on-leash only?

Please advise me of your current position on this matter and also who to contact regarding the use of bikes on the paths at Crissy Field. As there is a perfectly good cycle lane running behind the field, I am strongly opposed to mountain bikes (except young children's bikes) on the path beside the beach. My elderly mother was knocked down by a careless cyclist and I have seen a number of near collisions on that path. There are too many runners and pedestrians and dogs to allow for safe passage by bikes along that stretch between the Warming Hut and the main car park.

Thank you, Susan Crawford.



Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1676-01-1A

I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Ernest F. Haskin (printed)
Address: 1716 Hampton Lane Daly City CA 94014
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

We visit Fort Funston usually at least once a week to take a walk with our cocker spaniel for exercise and recreation. We love seeing all of the other happily playing dogs and enjoy the wonderful fresh air from the ocean.

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

We are senior citizens (66 and 75) and love being with the off-leash dogs that are so happy and prance around. For over 10 years we have loved and enjoyed all the toddlers + young parents who walk with us.

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

We have brought friends and grandchildren many times with us and both ^{of them} play and pet many of the lovely dogs. We would sorely miss this activity if it were taken away.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

We understand that there are approx 65 million dog owners in America and certainly their needs should be honored. Off-leash areas are vital and should be kept in prime condition... and expanded.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

Certainly and absolutely NOT!

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Signed: Ernest F. Haskin Date 2/16/02 (optional: SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE Ethnicity C)

Veteran of World War II

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San Francisco, CA 94116
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Golden Gate national Recreational Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern:

We write as residents of the Sunset District of San Francisco, long-time supporters of the SPCA and frequent walkers on Ocean Beach.

We urge that regulations restricting access to off-leash dogs be retained and strictly enforced.

Recently, we have noted a number of instances of off-leash dogs chasing shore birds (including snowy plovers, marbled godwits and willets). The dogs are not to blame; they merely are following their instincts. Those responsible are the arrogant and selfish dog owners who ignore prominently posted notices of the leash regulations and permit their pets to deposit their excreta randomly on the beach and on sidewalks. Such scofflaws should be cited and fined heavily.

We used to see regular patrols of Ocean Beach by the Park Service; we no longer do.

Sincerely,



Anne Ackerman
Robert Wernick

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1678-01-2

I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Rose Marie Jofgren (printed)
Address: 4205 Kestridge Dr. LA Mesa, CA, 91941
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

Fort Funston / Baker Beach / Ft. Reyes
Reason: Walking with daughter and her dog &/or walking her dog.
Benefits: A beautiful place to walk, de-stress, and enjoy the safety of what was once a dog's haven.

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

It seems to me that owners discipline and observe their pets more in an off-leashed area as they are hypervigilant relative to the safety of their pet(s) and others regardless of race, disability, etc.

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

It is a social outlet for me during my visits as it is a beautiful area to walk with my children and let the dog be free for a change. Less stress for all of us who enjoy our animals and share stories/observations.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

I feel the assigned off-leash areas need to remain as they are limited and the city is not conducive to animal's roaming free (not would that appeal to me). I also feel like areas e.g. Fort Funston is a difficult place for sunbathing and picnicking but great for hiking.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco? Not at all.

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Signed: Rose Marie Jofgren Date: 2/10/02 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE (optional) Age: 63 Sex M F Ethnicity C

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1679-01-1A

Date: 2/17/02

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Leslie Lacko (optional: Age: Sex: M F Ethnicity:)

Address: 2186 48th Avenue SF CA 94116 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

I visit Fort Foston every day with my dog and speed walk/run while my dog plays off-leash. This is our primary, daily exercise. I enjoy Fort Foston for its history, openspace, and ocean views. My husband and I take our dog to the off-leash area at Crissy Field to swim about twice a month.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity?

I have met many people with similar interests at Fort Foston. The Fort supports an entire community of people ~~with~~ interested in both dogs and in being stewards of the park, as is evident in our efforts to provide bags for clean-up and our monthly cleaning gatherings. I feel like I belong in the community that uses Fort Foston and it would be a terrible shame to destroy this community.

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations.

The GGNRA is a National park system that primarily serves the local population. Accommodations must be made to serve the recreation needs of this population as well as to protect the ecosystems within the park system. The GGNRA can do this by designating some areas, such as Fort Foston and the beach at Crissy Fields, for off-leash recreation.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

My dog, a valued member of our family, would no longer have adequate space to get the exercise he needs close to home. My husband and I would lose ~~some~~ important social connections in the community that now uses Fort Foston.

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence?

I feel perfectly safe around off-leash dogs. I have never been threatened in any way by a dog at the Fort or Crissy Field.

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Signed:

[Handwritten signature]

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Date:

2/17/02

1680-DU-1A

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

Support off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: Jonathon Thomas Dunnne (printed)

Address: 135 Wawona Street San Francisco, Ca, 94227
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

I went to Sigmond Stern Grove as a child with my father and our dog and now I go with my family and our pet Jack Russell Terrier, MacInTosh! We also visit Fort Funston and several other areas in Golden Gate Park. As a pet owner (and a very responsible one), I rarely see anyone ignore picking up their dogs waste, keeping a close eye on their dogs, and over-all are caring people towards the Park. In addition, if the regulars see anyone not taking care of the Park, we bring it to their attention. These Parks are very important to the peace of mind that the Park was meant to bring to me and others. The elders and their pets rely on the Park. Dogs off the leach are better behaved than on a leash because they feel free to roam. Tied down, they tend to be less passive. From German Sheperds to Poodles, they all get along with eachother and the people that go to see the dogs So please keep the off-leach availability as is. Mentally it is like a vaulum on four legs. and there is no reason to leach up the dogs. As a regular, I will go out of my way to inform non complience people about the right thing to do.

So please keep our pets happy

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Here are some ideas for your letter:

- What parts of the GGNRA do you visit now? Where would you LIKE to visit if off-leash was permitted?
- The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation?
- Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area?
- Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?
- Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. **Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area?** Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone? Yes. To monitor each other to keep things safe and correct.
- San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

Signed: [Signature] Date: 2/16/02 (optional: Age: 43 Sex: M Ethnicity: White)
Version 2.0 Boat

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1681-01-1A

Date: 2/18/02

I support off-leash recreation in the GGNRA. Following are my comments about continuing off-leash recreation in the GGNRA, as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: ROBERT CAVE (optional: Age: 37 Sex: (M) F Ethnicity: W)

Address: 2186 48TH AVE S.F. CA 94116 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA. What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why. I VISIT GGNRA DAILY. I LIVE A HALF BLOCK AWAY FROM OCEAN BEACH & SURF REGULARLY 100 DAYS A YEAR FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS. 2 YEARS AGO I BOUGHT A DOG & HAVE BEEN TAKING HIM TO FORT FUNSTON ABOUT 5 DAYS A WEEK FOR THE PAST 2 YEARS.

2. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? MY WIFE & I OFTEN TAKE FRIENDS WITH US TO WALK OUR DOG AT THE BEACH. WE SOMETIMES DOG SIT & TAKE THE SECOND DOG ALONG W/US. BEING ABLE TO GO OFF LEASH MAKES WALKING TWO DOGS A LOT EASIER

3. Do you believe that off-leash recreation is appropriate for portions of the GGNRA? Why? Please make specific recommendations for ways the Park Service can accommodate and expand this activity while preserving these areas for future generations. FORT FUNSTON IS NOT WILDERNESS TO BE PRESERVED. IT HAS A LONG HISTORY OF MILITARY & THEN URBAN USE. HABITAT RESTORATION RESERVE ARE BETTER SITES IN HEADLANDS OR THE G.C. OR CHASSY FIELD. LEAVE FORT FUNSTON AS AN URBAN PARK.

4. What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA? I OWN A RETRIEVER HE HAS TO BE OFF LEASH TO RETRIEVE. I COULD DO THIS ON CERTAIN PORTIONS OF OCEAN BEACH, BUT IF FORT FUNSTON IS NO LONGER OFF LEASH. ALL OF O.B. WILL SOON BE CLOSED TO OFF LEASH. THERE ARE OTHER PARKS (GREEN GROVE) BUT THEY WILL BE FULL OF THOSE WHO ARE DISPLACED BY CLOSING FUNSTON

5. Do you feel safer with the presence of off-leash dogs or would you feel safer without their presence? NO EFFECT

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Signed: Robert Cave

Date: 2/18/02

Dear Superintendent O'Neill:

1682-01-1C

I support the continuance of off-leash recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Following are my comments on this activity as well as information about me that may be relevant to this issue.

Name: TIM BEATTY (printed)
Address: 210 JUDSON PL PACIFICA CA 94044
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

1. Please describe how often and where you visit the GGNRA? What are your main activities or reasons for visiting? What are the benefits to you of your visit(s)? If this has changed over the years, describe why.

Average: 2-3 times per week. Our purpose in going (for the past 15 years) is to socialize our dogs and allow them a chance to get the exercise they need (a can't get on a leash). There are few places we can do this today.

2. The Park Service has stated that children, the elderly, racial and cultural minorities, and people with disabilities may avoid areas with off-leash dogs. Can you give personal examples where the opposite is true - that these groups seek off-leash areas for their recreation? Do you feel safer when walking in an off-leash area? If so, please explain why.

My parents are in their late 80s and can only walk with some difficulty. Yet going to Ft. Funston to see all the dogs running and playing is their favorite thing to do when they visit. None of us ever feels unsafe. In 15 years I can only remember 2 aggressive dogs and in both cases the dogs were immediately leashed and caused no injury.

3. Please describe whether off-leash recreation is a social outlet for you. Do you bring your friends and family along or meet up with friends? Have you made new friends through this activity? What would be the impact on your life if there were no longer off-leash recreation in the GGNRA?

I have met some wonderful people at Ft. Funston. The people who bring their dogs there are responsible dog owners who control and clean up after their animals. My elderly (80s) parents love going there and always express amazement at how well the dogs get along. It would be a terrible loss to us not to be able to let the dogs run and play together.

4. Since the early 1900's, off-leash dog recreation has been a primary usage of some areas now within the GGNRA. Do you think that continuing to make off-leash recreation available in these areas is a good use of this recreation area? Do you have suggestions as to how the GGNRA can make off-leash areas more enjoyable for everyone?

Yes, off-leash areas are a very important part of the community. There are none in state - county parks, and very few, mostly tiny, off-leash city parks. Calif. and the Federal Govt want to discourage gun use for protection, and well-behaved dogs are the best alternative. But they have needs for exercise that cannot be met while walking on a leash. In many places leash laws are being strictly enforced for the first time leaving us with few options.

5. San Francisco transferred its beaches and parks to the GGNRA with the understanding that existing activities, including off-leash recreation, would continue. Do you think the GGNRA should be allowed to renege on this part of its agreement with San Francisco?

Absolutely not!

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Signed: Timothy C. Beatty Date: 2/19/02 (optional: Age: 56 Sex: M F Ethnicity: C)

To Whom It May Concern:

1683-01-1A

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Sincerely,

Kevin R. Bied
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SF, CA 94123

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Cindy Shaw RECEIVED
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San Francisco, CA 94125

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Corte Madera, CA

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1627 18th Ave
San Francisco 94122

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Sincerely,

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2235 LARKIN #19
SF CA 94109

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SAN FRANCISCO CA 94110

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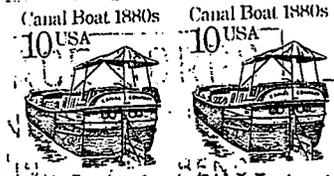
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POST CARD

Sir,

I am not a dog owner but I object to the restrictions on free-running dogs under proper control. Stop the attempts to prohibit off-leash dogs, dogs and their owners have a right to enjoy our public places. Thank you for your attention!

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San Francisco, CA 94123

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Speak up for off-leash recreation in the GGNRA

The National Park Service is taking public comment on pet management in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

What's At Stake:



In 1979 the GGNRA Citizen's Advisory Commission implemented a Pet Policy. It allowed people to walk off-leash dogs in certain areas of the park. Now the GGNRA claims it must comply with a National Park Service rule that prohibits off-leash dogs. Since last summer, the park has been enforcing a ban on off-leash dog walking. The purpose of the public comment period is to decide whether the GGNRA will consider making an exception to the off-leash ban.

If Off-Leash Dog Walking Is Important to You . . .
If You Care About Fair Access to Public Lands . . .

Tell the National Park Service you value off-leash dog walking, and that off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources and other recreational interests in the GGNRA.

*Very much in favor of off-leash at
Chrissy Field.*

Mail or fax your comments to:

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123
Fax 415-561-4355

Attend the public meetings that will be announced by the GGNRA.

For meeting dates and locations, call 415-561-4728.

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ACT NOW!

The deadline for public comment is March 12, 2002

**Get more information on off-leash recreation in the GGNRA
at the San Francisco SPCA Web site, www.sfspca.org**

To access the "Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking—Pet Management in Golden Gate Recreational Area," visit www.access.gpo/nara or www.nara.gov/fedreg. Copies of the ANPR are also available at GGNRA visitor centers and at public libraries in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Marin County and San Mateo County.

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Stricklin / General Contractor

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Fax

To: GGNRA Attention: ANPR **From:** Paul Stricklin 415-850-1175

Fax: 415-581-4355 **Pages:** 1

Phone: **Date:** 02/19/02

Re: Off leash Dog Walking **CC:**

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• **Comments:**

Attention: ANPR.

The Pet Policy implemented in 1979 must be maintained as originally established. The National Park Service must recognize that when the City of San Francisco gave these lands to the GGNRA it did not intend for National Park policy to restrict its current urban use to the San Francisco community. This trust must be honored.

Sincerely, Paul Stricklin

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VIA FAX: 415-561-4355

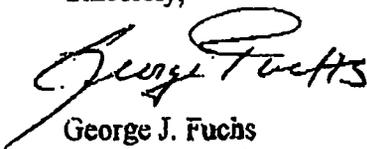
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Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Sirs:

I have been running two hunting dogs in Fort Funston for 12 years. Recently I became aware of the new leash law and retreated to a Pacifica beach area where I have also run the dogs legally for many years. This area has been banned to off leash dogs as well as my last resort at the Half Moon Bay beach area. I have officially run out of places to run my dogs! These areas have traditionally served dogs and their owners as a good place to exercise and co-habitat with other dogs. Denying this space creates a very strong drop in our quality of life. If dogs are to continue be a part of our lives, they must have adequate room to run. Where do you propose I take them? Why can't Fort Funston and other selected parks set aside such room as it has in the past? Who in the Park Service has taken upon themselves to deny me a place to share with my dogs? The public owns this land and I demand my voice in its representation. This "sorry but that's the way it is" policy should come under serious review before taking away our rights.

Sincerely,



George J. Fuchs
59 Escanyo Drive
So. San Francisco, CA 94080

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Tamsen Doner

2500 Millway Dr. , Boise, ID 83709

February 19, 2002

Superintendent Brian O'Neill
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Subject: Comments on ANPR for pet policy

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Sincerely,

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From : "Geri McDonald" <gmcDonald@dc.rr.com>
To : <fortfunston@hotmail.com>
Subject : off leash
Date : Fri, 15 Feb 2002 13:26:37 -0800

I would like to know where they expect us to take our dogs if they make it a leash site. I have been walking my dog there for 4 years and I have never seen a dog fight and any dog out of control. I was born a few mile from fortfunston and I truly appreciate being able to walk on the beach with my best friend Bear. It is really the only place he can run and play like a husky needs to. I have make a lot of friends by seeing them everyday and I look forward to my daily visits, I know I probably wouldn't get out if I didn't have a place like that to go to. I truly believe if the dogs have to be leash thc beauty of the place would be lost because the place wouldn't be used. And it would be a shame to have so much land go to waste. I was told by a ranger that the dogs are wrecking the landscape and I disagree because when I was little the whole place was nothing but sand dunes, at least now there is activity and it is a happy place. Please don't take that away from us.

Geri McDonald



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To : fortfunston@hotmail.com
Subject : fort funston
Date : Fri, 15 Feb 2002 16:20:33 EST

Dear GGNRA:

I strongly urge you to continue to allow off-leash recreation for my pet and others at Fort Funston. This is truly a wonderful addition to an already great city. As a dog owner and lover, i get great joy and satisfaction in having a place nearby to take Buster off leash and let him run. Also i am able to meet other dog owners and walkers and i find this a valuable social outlet. I strongly support and uphold the need to keep the area clean by picking up any and all refuse that may result (poop scoop etc)., It would truly be bad for sf community if your board caved in to narrow dogless interests. These animals are often as important to us dog owners as kids are to parents.

donald Zweig M.d.



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TO: Superintendent Brian O'Neill
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

FROM: william welsch
P.O. Box 246
Lewiston, CA 96052-0246

SUBJECT: Comments on ANPR for pet policy

DATE: February 19, 2002

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Sincerely,

william welsch

FROM : PAINTERS WEST

FAX NO. : 650 616 9060

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Dorothy H. Kulpinski
59 Escanyo Drive
So. San Francisco, CA 94080-4133

VIA FAX: 415-561-4355

February 19, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern:

Dogs need a place to run and those places are systematically being eliminated. The prohibition of off-leash dogs in the GGNRA is the final straw.

Dogs can run responsibly with responsible owners and activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources. Off-leash dog walking was an intended activity when the City of San Francisco gave its beaches and coastal bluffs to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. The GGNRA and the National Park Service should honor its commitment to the people and dogs of this area.

I urge you to remove the off-leash ban.

Sincerely,


Dorothy Kulpinski

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VIA FAX: 415-561-4355

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San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern:

We're responsible citizens and we need a place to run. How would you like to spend your life on a leash!

Sincerely,

ERNIE + OTIS!
Ernie and Otis Fuchs



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Fort Mason, Building 201

San Francisco, Ca. 94123

Fax 415-561-4355

Hello,

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Thanks,

Leanna Lalor

611 Tennessee Street

San Francisco, Ca. 94127

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Rick Brenke

2511 E Lamar , Phoenix, AZ 85016

February 19, 2002

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Sincerely,

Rick Brenke

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From : Kendra L Langer <kendrahaha@juno.com>
To : fortfunston@hotmail.com
Subject: Please Forward....
Date : Tue, 19 Feb 2002 23:41:55 -0800

To: Park Services, National Parks Conservation Association, and The Center for Biodiversity
From: Kendra Langer
Re: Off Leash Dogs

Dear People in Power:

It has come to my attention that you are making an active attempt to create interest in deterring off leash dogs at Fort Funston.

You are asking people who DON'T BENEFIT OR USE THE PARK to decide for those who do use the park. This is just plain undemocratic and unfair.

This absurd approach is like asking me to make a decision about the rowing teams at Lake Merced. I don't row and wouldn't be the right person to ask.

The dog walkers are USING Fort Funston...ASK THEM!!!

There is no threat to the joys of using Fort Funston. We dog walkers use it recreationally...and that's what a park is about. It is not FOR the Park Department. It is for those who use it.

If there is any threat to any park it is from those who wish to have control of nature.

There have been fewer problem incidents regarding dogs than problem incidents with equivalent numbers of dogless people at Little League Games, at a shopping mall, on a freeway, at a school, or at any other gathering. Off leash dogs just aren't a problem!!!!!!!

Please consider the injustice of trying to control a situation that needs no control. Try to think of how you want to be thought of in this life. It is a villainous act to curtail the kind of joy that dogs and people have when they play and walk together at Fort Funston. Do you want to be responsible for choking the joy out those who use the park??? Have you even gone there to find out what is happening?????

I really believe the quality of life is measurably ruined when joy is over legislated.

I really believe life that is worth living is being strangled by bureaucracy.

I really believe that those who walk dogs off leash at Fort Funston are respectful of nature and their surroundings and that the dogs are well trained and no threat to the park.

I really believe that there are thousands of acres left to "manage" the way the National Park Service "manages" parks.

A few acres serving a need for thousands of people, and keeping dogs happy and well adjusted, will not detract from the entire park complex!!!

I really think you can think with kindness and logic rather than with a desire to control or follow impersonal orders. You know the chain of command...go to those who can make a wise decision and have the power to follow through to a wise conclusion, and ask for them to drop the crusade to add another law that kills freedom of the

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You need TO CRUSADE FOR THE RIGHTS OF DOGS TO BE OFF LEASH!!!!

Sincerely, Kendra Langer

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Yours truly,

Kelly Rose
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Los Angeles, CA 90066

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Sincerely,

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Alahna Clendaniel

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Shirley M. Watson
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20 February 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, California 94123

Via fax no. 415 561-4355

Re: Off-Leash Recreation in the GGNRA

Dear Sir/Madam:

It is almost impossible to take our two dogs anywhere in the Bay Area and let them run off lead. Lucy, our Beagle mix, tends to get heavy when she is confined to long walks in the neighborhood. Seeing her run in an area where she is free to take off in a running leap and go flat out, turn around and do it all over again warms your heart. You can just see the relief on her face not to be tugged at on the end of a leash.

Please keep the Golden Gate National Recreation Area a place where responsible pet owners can take their dogs and enjoy their companionship in a more natural, relaxed setting - and without a leash.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Shirley M. Watson

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February 20, 2002

SENT BY FAX: 415/561-4355

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill and GGNRA:

I am writing to ask that the off-leash allowances in the GGNRA be continued. I recognize that this is not in keeping with the National Park Service current regulations, but know that the historic use of some areas of Ft. Funston, Crissy Field and Marin Headlands for off-leash play and training requires a different approach to the NPS regulations.

I have used and enjoyed Ft. Funston for many years and fully support areas of limited use due to wildlife and birding concerns, as well as native plant revegetation projects. Surely there is a way for the Birders (and I'm one of 'em) and Native Plant folks and off-leash dog supporters to co-exist!

The GGNRA is a fantastic open space in an urban area – and most users are responsible; especially those of us with dogs. GGNRA is recognized as a unique and unusual spot for off-leash dogs ... where almost ALL dogs are friendly and socialable. In over ten years of walking my dog at Ft. Funston, I have never seen a serious squabble between dogs. Most owners know their dogs' limitations and rare "playground scraps" are instantly stopped. Dogs must be responsive to voice commands!

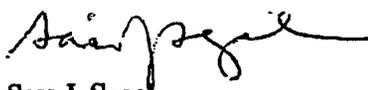
And of course, clean up of dog's deposits is essential

Ft. Funston is easily accessible – and although I was diagnosed with a chronic lung disease two years ago and don't walk down to the beach or lower areas any more – the walk from the parking lot past the Batteries is wonderful! Since I can hardly run as fast as the dog, it's really important that he get a chance to run and play. (I am lucky enough to have a backyard, but it's the wide open spaces and the chance to play with other dogs that is important.)

I collect newspaper bags from my neighbors and re-fill the bag holders at every opportunity. The monthly clean-up sponsored by the local dog walker organization is another way to "give back" to the park. I frequently pick up another dog's deposit, and don't hesitate to "offer" a bag to an owner who seems to forget his/her responsibility.

Appropriate pet management at GGNRA can be achieved by including off-leash areas!

Thank you for your consideration,



Sara J. Segal
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San Francisco, CA 94110

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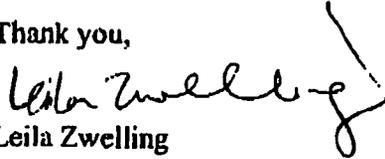
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San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern,

As a San Francisco resident and a dog owner, I am writing to let you know that I value off-leash dog walking. As responsible dog owners know, off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of natural resources and other recreational interests in the GGNRA.

Please re-institute off-leash recreation in the GGNRA.

Thank you,



Leila Zwelling
676A Castro Street
San Francisco, CA 94114

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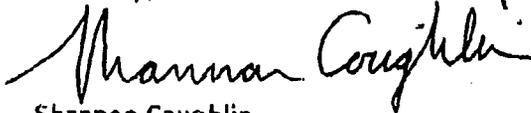
Dear Friends,

I am writing to urge you to support responsible off-leash dog recreation in the GGNRA. I am a frequent visitor to San Francisco's beaches and, though I don't have a dog of my own, I appreciate the fact that dogs are able to enjoy the beaches, too.

I am also an environmentalist, and I understand the concerns of those who wish to restrict dog access to the beaches. But I firmly believe that a comfortable compromise can be made in which both our precious ecosystems and our beloved dogs can coexist. Also, I know that restricting dogs' access to our beaches would put additional stress on the few off-leash park areas in our city.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Shannon Coughlin

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Stephanie Thomas
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San Francisco, CA 94114

February 20, 2002

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San Francisco, CA 94123

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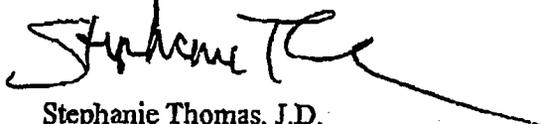
I am writing to comment on the GGNRA ANPR. From my experiences walking my dog at Fort Funston, Ocean Beach, and other off-leash areas, I believe there is more than enough public will to continue the longstanding tradition of off-leash recreation at the GGNRA.

While I understand the public's safety concerns regarding some dogs, I do not believe the answer is to punish ALL dogs. There are already plenty of places in the State of California where dogs are not allowed, including state park trails and many county parks. There is precious little space already for off-leash exercise for dogs, which not only pleases the dogs' tax-paying owners, but is necessary to maintain happy and healthy dogs in a city environment. Our open space is to be maintained under and multiple use sustained yield standard. People who do not want to be around dogs have plenty of recreation options, far more in fact than people who want to walk with their dogs, on and off-leash. Please maintain this system of having open space available for all users, including dog owners.

I understand that there has been more pressure recently, especially as it involves public fear regarding the mauling death of Diane Whipple. However, public fear after this immense tragedy involving negligent humans and the dogs they abused and raised to kill should not result in the punishment of ALL dogs and their responsible owners. If the Park Service really wants to address the issues being raised by some members of the public, a better solution is to continue to allow voice control off-leash dogs and actually enforce the voice control regulations against dogs that are not really under voice control. This is what the rules have said for years; do not punish dog owners and well-behaved dogs due to the Park Service's failure to enforce these rules.

As you already know, off-leash use has traditionally only occurred in only 0.5% of the GGNRA. Off-leash dog walking was an intended recreational activity when San Francisco gave its beaches and coastal bluffs to the GGNRA and when the GGNRA was established to maintain "needed recreational open space necessary for urban environment and planning." 16 USC 460bb. Allowing this recreational activity to continue, especially if it is better policed, is really very little to ask. In fact, GGNRA has a duty to the public to accommodate this public use as other public uses.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Thomas, J.D.

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Subject : Docket No. A-95-58
Date : Tue, 19 Feb 2002 17:25:35 -0800

Dogs most defiantly should be allowed to be off lead. Alternative areas may be considered, I am not that familiar with the area to make any recommendations, however the areas should be large enough to accommodate the entire dog user community.

Dog guardians should be responsible for the actions of their pets. The pet needs to be under the guardians control when control is required.

The number of dogs should be limited per person I would say no more than 2 or 3 unless they have a handling permit or dog walking business, in these cases, people should pay a fee to the park. This fee should be small but would help in the parks upkeep.

Tickets should be given for misconduct and for not cleaning up after their dogs. All users of the area should be responsible for its upkeep, as for paying, that's what I thought taxes were for.

I disagree with fencing the area unless the area fenced is huge, but then who wants to see another fence in a park.

I wouldn't have a problem with a bond however I am sure that not all users could afford one.

Thank you,

Robert Dunham

Systems Programmer/Analyst

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TO GOLDEN GATE NAT'L RECREATION AREA

ATT. ANPR

WE VALUE OFF-LEASH DOG WALKING. WE RESPECT
THE PRESERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES. CERTAIN AREAS OF
THE PARK SHOULD BE SET OFF TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO DO THIS.
THE GG NRA SHOULD BE AN EXCEPTION TO THE NATIONAL
PARK SERVICE RULE. PLEASE CONTINUE THE POLICY
WE HAVE HAD SINCE 1979.

RESPONSIBLE OWNERS OF DOGS HAVE TO EXERCISE
THEIR DOGS - DO NOT TAKE THIS AWAY FROM US.

SINCERELY

HERBERT WILTSEK

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TO: GGNRA attn: ANPR; Fort Mason

FROM: Jeanne Ladley, Portola Valley, Ca

RE: Fort Funston

We have been taking our Australian Shepherd every Saturday for over a year. He loves it so much. We have never seen any fights or problems. Please keep this open for us. The beach is not very clean, so you don't see any sunbathers, which makes it perfect for dogs. -----

Thank you

Sincerely,
Jeanne Ladley
Jeanne Ladley

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FAX

415 561-4355

February 20, 2002

Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attention: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

RE: VOTE FOR OFF-LEASH DOG WALKING IN GGNRA**To Whom It May Concern:**

I am writing this letter in support of off leashing dog walking in the GGNRA. I would like to see the 1979 GGNRA Citizen's Advisory Commission Pet Policy continued with designated areas of parks made available to pet owners to walk their pets off leash.

In the last few years, due to various special interest groups, we have seen an erosion of access to such areas and the enforcement of leash laws. At Fort Funston where I walk my dogs, the MAJORITY of people visiting the area are dog walkers and the vast majority of owners are responsible for their pets waste. I can see no reason to change these freedoms because of some arbitrary, long unenforced law.

I value this freedom to walk my dogs off-leash and am confident that off-leash activity can be managed in a way that respects the preservation of national resources and other recreational interests in the GGNRA. It seems to me that as large as the GGNRA is, there is enough room for all the "interest" groups: families, plant preservationists, bird preservationists, and off-leash dog walkers.

Sincerely,



Judith Dauphinais
Teresita Blvd.
San Francisco, CA.

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TO: GGNRA Attention ANPR 415-561-4355

FROM: Lisa Carr MD

To whom it may concern:

I totally concur with the memo for off-leash areas provided below and ask for your support.

WHY THERE SHOULD BE OFF-LEASH AREAS IN THE GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

- Off-leash areas are essential to the well-being of dogs. Regular off-leash exercise burns off pent-up energy, builds confidence, improves a dog's social skills and helps prevent aggression. Conversely, limiting dog play results in under-socialized, under-exercised, under-stimulated dogs and often leads to behavior problems.
- Off-leash dog walking was an intended activity when the City of San Francisco gave its beaches and coastal bluffs to the GGNRA.
- In 1979 the GGNRA Citizen's Advisory Commission implemented a Pet Policy allowing people to walk off-leash dogs in certain areas of the park. The GGNRA should abide by that policy.
- When San Francisco gave GGNRA lands to the National Park Service, the city was assured that traditional recreational uses, including off-leash dog walking, would be continued. The Park Service should honor its commitment to maintain the broad range of recreational use that is appropriate in an urban park.
- As an urban park, the GGNRA is different from most national parks. Urban parks are not pristine wilderness preserves. They are supposed to provide a variety of recreational opportunities for the community.
- The GGNRA claims it must comply with a National Park Service rule that prohibits off-leash dogs. But there are exceptions to the off-leash ban in more than 40 national parks, where hunting dogs are allowed to run free.
- There is room in the GGNRA to protect sensitive habitat and still provide space for off-leash dogs. Traditional off-leash areas account for 0.5 percent of the 75,000 acres in the park.
- With proper management, the GGNRA can accommodate wildlife and human activity. Bicycling, hiking, hang-gliding, dog walking and other pursuits can co-exist with birds and plants.
- Off-leash recreation is an under-served need. The State of California recently recognized that fact with plans to test an off-leash area at Candlestick State Recreation Area in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Lisa Carr

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February 19, 2002

Margo Bors

785 Carolina St , ♦ San Francisco, CA 94107

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San Francisco, CA 94123

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I am a voter and a 30 year resident of San Francisco. I feel we should protect the sensitive native habitat and endangered species of the GGNRA against the degradation caused by off-leash dogs. We should enforce the existing NPS leash regulations, keep dogs out of sensitive areas, and possibly designate separate dog-friendly areas.

Sincerely, Margo Bors 785 Carolina St.
SF, CA 94107

Sincerely,

Margo Bors

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Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Attn. ANPR
Fort Mason, Bldg. 201
San Francisco, CA

SENT BY FAX

February 20, 2002

Dear GGNRA

I am writing to voice my support for continuing the off-leash areas that currently exist in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. As an urban apartment dweller with a dog, I frequently use and enjoy these spaces. 95% of the time that I am in the Golden Gate National Recreational Area, I am accompanied by my animal. I consider it to be one of the great privileges, benefits and joys of living here in the Bay Area.

While I understand the need for plant conservation and that some bad dog owners may be allowing their animals to be destructive, I feel that it is entirely not fair to penalize the rest of the dog owning population. Perhaps measures such as very high fines for people who do not pick up after their animals or allow them to dig could be enforced? There must be a solution that won't simply end off-leash activity in the GGNRA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

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San Francisco, CA 94118
(415) 831-9333

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Kathy Hamill
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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

As a visitor to the city of San Francisco in September, 2000, I was able to visit the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and enjoy its many treasures and views. However, I was astounded to see the number of dogs which were being allowed to have essentially "free roam" of the area without the restriction of a leash. I've never encountered a park area that did not restrict pets to leashes, and I must say I was concerned about the situation especially in regard to the other wildlife in the area.

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Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

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Superintendent
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Sincerely,

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I understand wanting to allow one's dog to roam free in the 'wilderness' when visiting the park. Unfortunately, the risk of a mishap to other park visitors, wildlife, and the park are too great. Many people are not in control of their pets even when leashed, to assume that people can control their pets off leash is not reasonable. I believe that many people would avoid visiting the park if pets were allowed off leash.

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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To: GOGA PETS ANPR
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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

Monday, February 18, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

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Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

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02/19/2002 11:33 PM
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 07:14 AM
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Annette Overstreet
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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 07:28 AM
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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

As a responsible pet owner and a respecter of wildlife and the environment, I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

Golden Gate National Recreation Area, the world's largest urban park, provides critical habitat for some of the state's most rare and threatened species including 11 federally listed endangered wildlife species and 9 federally listed plant species. While parks such as GGRNA also provide a great place to recreate with pets, I am concerned that the ANPR could lead to changes in the current leash policy that would sensitive park resources and public safety in jeopardy.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Because the risks outweigh the advantages, no alternative makes sense. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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1770-01-38

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 07:40 AM
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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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1771-01-3A

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 07:45 AM
MST

Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

Hello, how are you? I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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1772-01-3A

Steve Tauscheck
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02/20/2002 07:46 AM
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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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To: GOGA PETS ANPR
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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Brian_Fulmer@merck.com

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cc:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 10:35 AM
MST

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 10:31 AM
MST

To: GOGA PETS ANPR
cc:
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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sonjavahalla@webtv.net

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GGNRA011418

1780-01-3A

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To: GOGA PETS ANPR
cc:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 10:26 AM
MST

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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CC:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 10:24 AM
MST

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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To: GOGA PETS ANPR
cc:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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Fort Mason, Building 201
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 09:48 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 09:47 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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1785-01-3A

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02/20/2002 09:47 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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02/20/2002 09:44 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 09:05 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 09:00 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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CC:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 09:00 AM --
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 08:57 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 08:33 AM
MST

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
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Sincerely,

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GGNRA011434

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CC:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 08:30 AM
MST

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

As a frequent user of many of our National Parks, I appreciate the existing leash law for pets that protects park visitors and our precious resources; including wildlife, plants, and even other pets. I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Monday, February 18, 2002

Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
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Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support the Park Service's idea of allowing dogs to run free in the Golden Gate Recreation Area. I commend the service's acknowledgement that humans are not the only domestic species that should be allowed to enjoy our national resources.

Of course, dogs that pose a danger to people or wildlife should be chased out of the park, along with their people. But truly, most people with companion animals are considerate enough to train their dogs not to threaten people or wildlife.

Golden Gate National Recreation Area is an urban park, and as such it offers a rare opportunity for people and pets to enjoy an outing together. Thanks for considering new rules that would give us a chance to do so.

Sincerely,
Melanie Lenart
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02/20/2002 08:08 AM
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Monday, February 18, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 11:57 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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02/20/2002 12:28 PM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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Sincerely,

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
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Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

I am writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

In my own community of Boulder, CO, dogs are permitted off-leash on open space lands. I have been personally attacked 3 times in the last 4 years by dogs off-leash and within sight of their owners. In each case the dog's owner made me feel that I was restricting their freedom for asking them to comply with the city law that their dogs be restrained from harassing other people or wildlife. Please do not allow this same situation to occur in Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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1808-01-2

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02/20/2002 11:29 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Sincerely,

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02/20/2002 11:37 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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1810-01-2

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cc:
Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

02/20/2002 11:41 AM
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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Sincerely,

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TO: Superintendent Brian O'Neill
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

FROM: David Rawlins
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SUBJECT: Comments on ANPR for pet policy

DATE: February 19, 2002

Dear Superintendent Brian O'Neill:

I am writing you to express my support for maintaining the National Park Service's leash law throughout the GGNRA where dogs are allowed. The leash law represents a reasonable compromise between preserving endangered species and habitats and allowing people to recreate with their dogs in the GGNRA. This will protect our environment and strike an appropriate balance between recreational impacts and urban wildlife protection.

There are several reasons why the leash law should be enforced throughout the entire GGNRA. First, over 100 rare and sensitive species use the GGNRA during various times of the year, including several bird species. Off-leash dogs can harm these species by chasing and killing individuals and destroying their habitat. Furthermore, if individuals are encouraged to walk their dogs off-leash in the GGNRA, the individuals could be held liable for 'take' of these species under the federal and California Endangered Species Acts if their dogs harm or chase imperiled wildlife. An exemption from National Park Service regulations would unwittingly encourage individuals to violated federal and state law, imperiling our natural heritage and subjecting dog owners to heavy federal and state finds, and in egregious cases, jail time.

Second, the proposal would set a bad precedent for parks, including urban parks, throughout the National Park System. If this resolution were to pass and the Park Service were to agree to end enforcement of the leash laws, other user groups in parks across the country could use this as precedent to gain access for other recreational activities, including off-road vehicle use and recreational mining.

Finally, this proposal is bad for the low-income and disadvantaged users of the park. The most magnanimous aspect of urban parks is that they bring the natural world to individuals who otherwise would be denied access to nature because they can't or won't travel to remote areas to enjoy our Nation's natural heritage. The GGNRA exemplifies

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this, providing free access to a remnant of our native ecosystems within minutes of over 7 million people. The urban national parks should be treasured for bringing natural wonder to people, not degraded for it.

Thank you for considering my comments. I look forward to the continued implementation of a policy that protects our threatened wildlife and appropriately accommodates domestic pets.

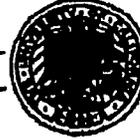
Sincerely,

David Rawlins

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February 20, 2002

Attention: ANPR, Golden Gate
National Recreation Area, Building 201,
Fort Mason, San Francisco, CA 94123

To Whom It May Concern:

Please support responsible off-leash recreation in the GGNRA - there is plenty of room in over 74,000 acres to balance active recreation with the need to protect & preserve resources.

Regards-

Kelly Keiser
Dog Lover

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February 20, 2002

GGNRA
Attn: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123
Fax: 415-561-4355

Re: Request to Maintain Designated Off-leash Recreation Areas in GGNRA

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a new dog owner in San Francisco and have been walking my puppy at Fort Funston and Crissy Field since last October. I had been following the on-leash/off-leash controversy prior to owning a dog, and as a nature lover as well as a dog lover, I have several observations:

- 1) **DIVERSITY OF LAND USE:** As a resident of the Bay Area for all but 6 years since 1968, I have spent thousands of hours all over GGRNA's "domain", and marvel at the diversity of usage within the more than 74,000 acres. Why deny dog-owning visitors the right to walk dogs off-leash in a few portions of this land? We're not talking about letting dogs run free in Yosemite National Park. We're talking about letting dogs run off-leash, under voice control and supervision, in certain sections of an urban recreation area. Please stop hiding behind National Park Service (NPS) rules prohibiting off-leash pets and recognize your stewardship of land in an URBAN setting, where taxpaying citizens live, work and have a right to respectfully enjoy small areas of land with "Man's Best Friend" off-leash.
- 2) **CONSCIENTIOUS DOG OWNERS:** The dog owners I have encountered since I began walking my puppy are extremely conscientious and cognizant of the responsibilities of dog ownership. Dog owners: clean up after their dogs (which is more than many homeless people do for themselves, yet they do not get ticketed \$50 for messing up city sidewalks); provide additional bags for cleanup; discourage digging; ensure their dogs do not get too aggressive when playing with other dogs; leash their dogs when necessary and/or appropriate; and respect the natural beauty of their surroundings. Why does the GGNRA want to penalize visitors who exhibit good dog ownership skills?
- 3) **REDUCTION IN DOG AGGRESSION:** Off-leash dog walking is good for everyone - whether one is a dog lover or indifferent to dogs. How will dogs become socialized if they cannot play off-leash? How will dogs release their natural energy in order to behave properly on city streets and in neighborhood parks? Not everyone can afford \$30/day for doggy daycare. How many complaints have been made against aggressive/biting dogs at Fort Funston, Crissy Field, Baker Beach, etc? Why not ticket only aggressive dogs? Everyone will

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support this proposal, since responsible dog owners and non-dog owners alike have no desire to encounter an aggressive dog.

- 4) **DESTRUCTION OF LAND:** Worried about the destruction of public land? Why not prohibit and ticket the parents of children who use the cliffs at Fort Funston as a slide, thus contributing to erosion? Why not prohibit and ticket walking off-trail, thus eliminating the trampling of (non-native) ice plant, the primary planting in the dog walking areas at Fort Funston? Why not prohibit and ticket runners from trampling the new grassy airfield at Crissy Field? Is the goal to achieve an antiseptic version of Disneyland in San Francisco's backyard? Since the bank swallows now have their safe area at Fort Funston, the native plantings at Crissy Field are safely behind unobtrusive fencing (smart idea), and the wildlife at Crissy Field is safe in its Wildlife Protection Area, why not save some space for dogs to run off-leash, too? Surely in 74,000 acres, there is room for all types of activities.

Thank you for listening to my comments. I would never complain without offering solutions - here are 2:

- 1) **SEEK AN EXCEPTION FROM NPS FOR OFF-LEASH DOG WALKING IN CERTAIN URBAN AREAS OF GGNRA:** Many national parks already allow dogs off-leash where hunting is allowed. Bay Area dog owners, many of whom come from as far as Alameda and Santa Clara to enjoy GGNRA off-leash areas, will testify to the need for this space. Just tell us when and where to show up, and we will be there.
- 2) **RETURN PORTIONS OF GGNRA LAND IN SAN FRANCISCO TO THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO:** I would rather have the city of San Francisco, it's wacky politics and all, be responsible for the management of Fort Funston, Crissy Field, Baker Beach, and any other current off-leash recreation areas. At least the city attempts to pay attention to its tax-paying constituents and operate as a democracy. Unfortunately, the actions of GGNRA have proven otherwise again and again.

Sincerely,

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Fort Funston Dog Walkers
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February 19, 2002

Ed Scates

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Superintendent Brian O'Neill
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
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Subject: Comments on ANPR for pet policy

Dear Superintendent Brian O'Neill:

I am writing you to express my support for maintaining the National Park Service's leash law throughout the GGNRA where dogs are allowed. The leash law represents a reasonable compromise between preserving endangered species and habitats and allowing people to recreate with their dogs in the GGNRA. This will protect our environment and strike an appropriate balance between recreational impacts and urban wildlife protection.

There are several reasons why the leash law should be enforced throughout the entire GGNRA. First, over 100 rare and sensitive species use the GGNRA during various times of the year, including several bird species. Off-leash dogs can harm these species by chasing and killing individuals and destroying their habitat. Furthermore, if individuals are encouraged to walk their dogs off-leash in the GGNRA, the individuals could be held liable for 'take' of these species under the federal and California Endangered Species Acts if their dogs harm or chase imperiled wildlife. An exemption from National Park Service regulations would unwittingly encourage individuals to violated federal and state law, imperiling our natural heritage and subjecting dog owners to heavy federal and state finds, and in egregious cases, jail time.

Second, the proposal would set a bad precedent for parks, including urban parks, throughout the National Park System. If this resolution were to pass and the Park Service were to agree to end enforcement of the leash laws, other user groups in parks across the country could use this as precedent to gain access for other recreational activities, including off-road vehicle use and recreational mining.

Finally, this proposal is bad for the low-income and disadvantaged users of the park. The most magnanimous aspect of urban parks is that they bring the natural world to individuals who otherwise would be denied access to nature because they can't or won't travel to remote areas to enjoy our Nation's natural heritage. The GGNRA exemplifies this, providing free access to a remnant of our native ecosystems within minutes of over 7 million people. The urban national parks should be treasured for bringing natural wonder to people, not degraded for it.

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Thank you for considering my comments. I look forward to the continued implementation of a policy that protects our threatened wildlife and appropriately accommodates domestic pets.

Sincerely,

Ed Scates

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(Julie A. Bryan emailed Fort Funston Dog Walkers and asked us to submit this as a comment on the ANPR. She sent it to the wrong agency in error.)

Joseph Doddridge
Acting Assitant Secretary for Fish & Wildlife & Parks

I have reviewed the comments on proposed rulemaking. It is slanted, to say the least, against dog-walkers. I am one of those dog-walkers - a past resident of California and a frequent tourist now, with my companion, Deglo (an Australian Shepard) who replaced my husband as a walking partner after my husband passed on. I have frequented the Golden Gate Park for a generation. The degradation in that park is by no means attributable to dogs. It is attributable to people. If the Park Service has a real concern for degradation of the space, regulate the number of people, in all recreational forms, that may go into one area at a time, but provide equal space for all who wish to use the area. Birds fly away from dogs - and bikes - and people. There are user conflicts between bikers and runners. Runners and walkers. Skateboarders, skaters and, some would say, with teenagers and the rest of the world. Many people, like myself, find a little peace walking with our dogs in open space. Many people, likewise, are courted into walking because of their canine companions. The amount of good done by dog walking (and dogs in society in general) justifies dedication of some open space to the pursuit.

Will there be accidents? Yes. There are, likewise, bike accidents and human assaults. The Park Service should have put the statistics for other types of accidents and injuries along side the "dog incident" statistics, if a fair analysis of the dangers attendant use of public land was the goal. The only way to prevent accidents in open space is to close the open space (evenly) to all types of people. That has not been the decision in Golden Gate. It is unfortunate if other open spaces have closed to dog-walking, routing more use to that area. Perhaps the Park Service's role should have been to protest against such closures, if they indeed impacted the Park. The Park Service made no such effort.

Is there "dog waste." Sometimes. Dogs "on-leash" do not, however, make less waste than those "off-leash." Moreover, there are also organized groups who clean dog waste and people waste, alike, from trails in Golden Gate. No such effort has been made to minimize the impact of bikes (which cause soil erosion or require permanent "scarring" trails. I am not attacking other users, by the way. I simply believe all users should be considered equally. The Park Service is not making an effort to do so.

As for the "sorry, we should have been enforcing the "on-leash" rule forever" position the Park Service is now taking: If they had done so, perhaps the debate on providing "on-leash" space would have come to fruition sooner - when there was more space to be had. The Park Service elected, openly, to leave access to these lands in Golden Gate and people have permitted other spaces to be closed,

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because they could still go to the small part of Golden Gate that has always been a dog-walker's realm. "Sorry, we were wrong" does not replace 20 years of historic use.

The bottom line is that there is virtually nowhere left for dog-walkers to go. I realize some people do not like the "dog-in-their-space" experience. Those people have alternatives. While I do not have statistics, I imagine it is something more than 90% of the public land in the Bay area. Is there so little tolerance left in those people that they cannot find it in their hearts to allow us the little space we have left? Is there so little honor left in the government that it will not stand by its own past actions and provide this user-group with the small portion of the public land?

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

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By keepin pets leashed everyone can enjoy themselves without of being attached or bother by another pet. I am concerned for not only people visiting the part; but the state's most rare and threatened species including 11 federally listed endangered wildlife species and 9 federally listed plant species. If pets are left on their own they could damage or kill this precious wildlife.

Golden Gate National Recreation Area records indicate incidents of dog bites, threats of dogs to park visitors, and instances where park rangers were forced to risk their own safety to rescue uncontrolled pets and pet owners trapped on cliffs or in the ocean.

Please keep the parks enjoyable for all and continue the requirement of leasing pets.

For these reasons stated above -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sonneville
<dsonneville@webtv.net>
AT np--internet

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
ATTN: ANPR
Fort Mason, Building 201
San Francisco, CA 94123

Dear Superintendent O'Neill,

We have visited your state many times and are appreciative of the wonderful natural resources of the area. We are also dedicated dog lovers. We are writing to support Option A in the ANPR and further request that the Park Service continue to allow leashed pet recreation where currently permissible, while minimizing pet impacts to visitors and park resources.

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1846-01-3A

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Sincerely,

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GGNRA011491

1849-01-3A

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Sincerely,

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Subject: I Support Alternative A - Keep Dogs Leashed!

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For these reasons -- threats to public safety and park resources -- I support Option A. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Tuesday, February 19, 2002

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I am concerned that the ANPR could lead to changes in the current leash policy that would put sensitive park resources and public safety in jeopardy. I enjoy dogs and think that they and their owners have a right to enjoy outdoor spaces. But I also feel very strongly that other species, such as snowy plovers, which I and my family and friends enjoy as much as dogs would be treated unfairly by proposed changes. Many of these birds and animals typically do not have the choices available to dog owners re. where to spend their time and depend on areas of the GGNRA for survival. I find it hard to walk at Baker's beach anymore because of the frustration I feel with dog owners for ignoring the leash signs and callously ignoring that they may be contributing to the destruction of sensitive habitat.

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