

## APPENDIX H: SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES

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<i>Callophrys mossii bayensis</i>	San Bruno elfin butterfly	FE	n/a		Coastal Scrub	Rocky outcrops and cliffs in coastal scrub habitat.	The larval host plant for san bruno elfins is Sedum spathulifolium, a succulent which grows on rocky, north-facing slopes along the coast.	Found in coastal mountains near San Francisco Bay, in the fog-belt of steep north facing slopes that receive little direct sunlight.	Milagra Ridge and Rancho Corral de Tierra
<i>Icaricia icarioides ssp. Missionensis</i>	Mission blue butterfly	FE	n/a		Coastal Scrub	Mission blue butterflies are closely tied to three lupine larval host plants—Lupinus albifrons, L. variicolor, and L. formosus. These host plants tend to occur on grasslands on thin, rocky soils within broader coastal-scrub habitats.		Marin Headlands, the coastal ridges in San Mateo County, San Bruno Mountain, and possibly Twin Peaks in San Francisco	Alta Trail/Orchard Fire Road/Pacheco Fire Road, Oakwood Valley, Marin Headlands Trails (Tennessee Valley), Fort Baker, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge/Cattle Hill, and Rancho Corral de Tierra

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<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Steelhead — Central California Coast	FT, CH	n/a		Open Water	Coastal streams draining to ocean (including those to s.f. bay) with spawning , juvenile rearing habitat, and migratory corridor		California streams from the Russian River to Aptos Creek, and the drainages of San Francisco and San Pablo Bays eastward to the Napa River (inclusive),	Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek), Muir Beach (Redwood Creek), Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon), Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek), and Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini Creeks).

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<i>Thamnophis sirtalis tetrataenia</i>	San Francisco garter snake	FE	n/a	SE	Wetlands	Prefer densely vegetated ponds with adjacent plants for basking. Preferred prey species is red-legged frogs. Estivates in burrow holes.		Historically San Francisco peninsula currently known from South San Francisco near airport and Mori Point near Pacifica. Known occurrence at Mori Pt.	Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, Pedro Point, and Rancho Corral de Tierra

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<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bank swallow		n/a	ST	Beach - Rocky Coast	(Nesting) colonial nester; nests primarily in riparian and other lowland habitats west of the desert.	Requires vertical banks/cliffs with fine-textured/sandy soils near streams, rivers, lakes, ocean to dig nesting burrows.	Widespread in N. Hemisphere. Winters in S. America, Africa, S. Asia.	Fort Funston
<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	Northern spotted owl	FT	n/a		Coniferous and evergreen forest.	Utilizes coniferous and mixed-hardwood forest areas for breeding in the project area, often in drainages.		The range encompasses an area from southwestern British Columbia south through the coastal mountains arid Cascade Range (both west and east sides) of Washington and Oregon, south into southwestern Oregon and northwestern California north of San Francisco	Homestead Valley, Oakwood Valley, and Marin Headlands Trails

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<i>Arenaria paludicola</i>	Marsh sandwort	FE	1B	SE	Wetlands	Wetland and riparian ecosystems	Sandy, openings, marshes and swamps (freshwater or brackish) 3-170m	Historically the West Coast. Today only a dozen individuals found in San Luis Obispo County. Two populations were reintroduced to Marin Headlands and Miwok Trail in Rodeo Valley	Marin Headlands
<i>Arctostaphylos franciscana</i>	Franciscan manzanita	FE	1B		Serpentine - Chaparral	Scrub and chaparral communities	Endemic to California; only one wild plant at Presidio of San Francisco and transplanted to Presidio Area B. 60-300 m.	Localized in San Francisco	Fort Point and Baker Beach
<i>Arctostaphylos hookeri</i> ssp. <i>ravenii</i>	Presidio (Raven's) manzanita	FE	1B	SE	Serpentine - Chaparral	Chaparral, coastal prairie, coastal scrub.	Formerly endemic to S.F. area; only one wild plant plus clones remain; open, rocky serpentine slopes. 20-215m.	N Central Coast (San Francisco Presidio) .Plants apparently belong to a single clone	Baker Beach

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<i>Hesperolinon congestum</i>	Marin dwarf-flax "Marin Western Flax"	FT	1B	ST	Serpentine - Chaparral	Chaparral, valley and foothill grassland.	Known only from Marin, S.F., and San Mateo Counties. In serpentine barrens and in serpentine grassland and chaparral. 30-365m.	NW San Francisco Bay Area. Occurs on Presidio coastal area. **Special Status Vascular Plant Species Monitoring Report GGNRA 2001. It requires openings in grassland habitat with limited thatch and vegetation cover and open soil/outcrops.	Baker Beach
<i>Lessingia germanorum</i>	San Francisco lessingia	FE	1B	SE	Coastal Scrub	Coastal scrub.	Known only from San Francisco and San Mateo counties. From remnant dunes. Open sandy soils relatively free of competing plants. 20-125m.	San Francisco Bay Area. Species located in the coastal habitat region of the Presidio (Special Status Vascular Plant Species Monitoring Report, GGNRA 2001).	Baker Beach and Fort Funston

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<i>Potentilla hickmanii</i>	Hickman's potentilla (Hickman's cinquefoil)	FE	1B	SE	Coastal Scrub	Coastal bluff scrub, closed-cone coniferous forest, meadows and seeps, marshes and swamps.	Freshwater marshes, seeps, and small streams in open or forested areas along the coast. 5-125m.	N&C Central Coast. Greene's popcorn flower is extirpated in San Francisco.	Rancho Corral de Tierra

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Message

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**From:** Forrestel, Alison [alison\_forrestel@nps.gov]  
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**CC:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Darren Fong [Darren\_Fong@nps.gov]; Shirwin\_Smith [Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Final review Append H - sp status species - yr input needed by tomorrow! TODAY if possible

Hi Shirwin --

I added my edits to Bill's. I put empty comments in some places to highlight where I made changes because they were hard to notice. I also edited the plants that were not highlighted because there were a few errors.

Cheers, Alison

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On Tue, Feb 19, 2013 at 5:47 PM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

Here are my edits.

General comments:

1.) Make sure that Appendix H matches with Table 8 in Ch. 3.

2.) For Rancho dCT, there are trails that run directly through habitat for Hickman's potentilla and host plants for Mission blue butterflies within the shaded areas for potential dog access. We should have some language that specifies that these trails would not be considered for dog walking.

-Bill

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On Tue, Feb 19, 2013 at 9:37 AM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi Bill, Darren and Alison,

Please review per Shirwin's request below (sounds like highlighted text only?) TODAY. Looks like you're all in today so hope this works. Bill is out tomorrow.

Thank you.

Daphne

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Sorry that file was not attached to original email. Per Suzie, feedback needed today or tomorrow at the latest. Thank you!

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On Sun, Feb 17, 2013 at 2:53 PM, Smith, Shirwin <[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)> wrote:

> Hi guys - I'm not the best one to give this a final look over. Could  
> you pls take a look at highlited text in the attached at your earliest  
> convenience. Michael and I are completing final reviews of all other  
> sections, due to EA asap!

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## Stewardship Initiatives

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Muir Woods/Redwood Creek Workshop—1 Sept 2015

Fort Cronkhite Workshop-22 Sept 2015

Rancho Workshop—24 Sept 2015

## Dog Management

- Public Info number to hand out for Dogs and other park info (re: Funston)
- PIC at Funston for outreach and education (trail work)
- Staff briefings in field (re: Dogs Mgmt at Funston)
- Status and update one pager for public and staff
- Drop it (Dog Mgmt) and put money into 5 other needy areas
- More and better training for Interp staff (emotional support dogs etc)

## Climate Change

This is the only Initiative that is not officially underway with a dedicated point of contact, an IDT, and funding to implement.

- Enhance Climate literacy
- Be far more bold & proactive about addressing climate change, esp SLR
- Work with partners in all counties on a major coastal adaptation partnership in the face of climate change
- Ensure “Climate Smart Plan” include both Cultural & Natural Resources
- Plan based on realistic scenario (no more denial of severity)
- Work regionally to improve ecological resilience
- Citizen Science for climate change monitoring
- New Initiative- Ocean Beach (Master Plan)

## Redwood Creek/Muir Woods

- Protect & restore upland habitat –exemplary NR stewards
- Complete phase 5 of Redwood Creek Testoration (PAC way Bridge & upstream)

## Rancho/San Mateo

- Trails Shop
- Trail Shop combined with Resource Stewardship (Rancho)
- Be more sympathetic and less bureaucratic toward local community
- Hickmans Potentilla restoration
- Restrooms (interim & eventually permanent)
- Encourage all staff to become familiar with landscape (threats/locations,/ etc)
- Consider allocating \$ based on resource goals rather than visitor numbers

## Crissy Corridor

We received very little input for the Crissy Corridor but perhaps it is because the projects are just getting underway.

- Understand parking & transportation /safety
- Crissy Marsh expansion as a means to adapt to Sea Level Rise



- Capture tourist & local input with stall/table on Crissy Promenade & Bike Path at Mason Street

### Alcatraz

This signature initiative preserves an iconic National Historic Landmark and welcomes and engages visitors to a world class experience. Under the guidance of the Alcatraz Stewardship Team, Alcatraz Island will be the focus of the park's largest and most concentrated preservation effort in the next five years.

- Complete and implement Alcatraz Ferry Embarkation Plan, along with execution of a new concessions contract for Ferry Service
- Make major progress on the Seismic Stabilization Cellhouse Exterior
- Complete Quartermaster Warehouse Stabilization & Activate for Operations
- Complete second phase of Cliff Stabilization construction and complete design for third phase
- Determine construction method, sequencing, and funding for stabilizing the Fixed Wharf; initiate first phase of construction
- Complete design and initiate priority preservation/stabilization work on Building 64
- Implement Bird Management Strategy
- Repair & Maintain Small Scale Features & Gardens
- Complete comprehensive condition assessments of contributing structures, initiate a monitoring program for tracking resource conditions (i.e. rate of concrete deterioration), and complete scopes of work for priority projects
- Foster relationship re: Concrete Preservation Institute and other partners to achieve Stewardship mission and goals

### Comments

- Confirm what can actually be accomplished in five years (reality check)
- Clear set of priorities – immediate needs versus medium and long-term “want to do”
- Identify any other critical actions that need to be taken in next five years (i.e. Warden's House stabilization, the Powerhouse, Model Industries Building, etc.)
- Determine a plan of action for debris piles
- Make sure construction projects are appropriately scoped and priorities for work are being identified, confirmed (i.e. Building 64 discussion about “seismic” vs “stabilization” and the need to define these better)
- Alcatraz Island Embarkation planning could alter future visitor experiences (on mainland vs. on island), will want to consider, plan for potential new experiences and opportunities with visitor flow
- Explore new Programmatic Locations (Citadel) and visitor opportunities
- Foster and support Preservation Team
- Clearly articulate the portfolio of prioritized Alcatraz Projects to staff as well as visitors – sharing the preservation message

### Stewardship Initiatives – Common to all

- Be realistic about what can be accomplished in next five years for each initiative.

- Recognize that each initiatives is at a different stage of development – some are just being formulated (new emphasis) whereas others are well into implementation. So, some just need ongoing support while others will need more “care and feeding”
- Staff, in particular field staff, want to know what is going on so that they feel they are a part of the work being done and can also adequately communicate to others (visitors). Do briefings in the field and utilize one pager briefings on key initiatives.
- Important to communicate information to the public about these initiatives – to have targeted messaging plan about these efforts and the good work being done on these.

#### General Comments for all Initiatives:

- Build in staff-level briefings for each of these initiated to keep people informed
- New Initiative-Fort Point
- New Initiative-Black Point
- Consider Fort Mason is an overlooked corner of GGNRA
- Philanthropic plan for “forever” maintenance of improvement

#### From Partnership Workshop

- One Tam will hopefully bring consistency in signage for trail use. Enforcement is needed!
- Parking and visitor amenities at Rancho
- Compost at ranches to improve soil -- relates to climate change
- Fort Mason Center for Arts & Culture wants Pier 1 RFQ
- Support park partner renewal initiatives and ease process
- Chris Lehnertz's TV segment with Spencer Michaels was great! Do more of that!
- Several options to different NPS sites from the Alcatraz departure point (i.e. Muir Woods/Fort Baker)

## APPENDIX H: SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES

**Comment [WWM1]:** This should match with Table 8 in Ch. 3.

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Federal Status	CNPS Status	State Status	Dominant Habitat Type, or Occurrence Notes	Habitat requirement and/or association	Micro habitat	Species Distribution / Range	GGNRA location with mapped occurrences or potential habitat
<b>Invertebrate Species</b>									
<i>Callophrys mossii bayensis</i>	San Bruno elfin butterfly	FE	n/a		Coastal Scrub	Rocky outcrops and cliffs in coastal scrub habitat.	The larval host plant for san bruno elfins is <i>Sedum spathulifolium</i> , a succulent which grows on rocky, north-facing slopes along the coast.	Found in coastal mountains near San Francisco Bay, in the fog-belt of steep north facing slopes that receive little direct sunlight.	Milagra Ridge and Rancho Corral de Tierra
<i>Icaricia icarioides ssp. Missionensis</i>	Mission blue butterfly	FE	n/a		Coastal Scrub	Mission blue butterflies are closely tied to three lupine larval host plants— <i>Lupinus albifrons</i> , <i>L. variicolor</i> , and <i>L. formosus</i> . These host plants tend to occur on grasslands on thin, rocky soils within broader coastal-scrub habitats.		Marin Headlands, the coastal ridges in San Mateo County, San Bruno Mountain, and possibly Twin Peaks in San Francisco	Alta Trail/Orchard Fire Road/Pacheco Fire Road, Oakwood Valley, Marin Headlands Trails (Tennessee Valley), Fort Baker, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge/Cattle Hill, and Rancho Corral de Tierra.

**Comment [WWM2]:** SBE habitat is well away from dog walking areas at site.

**Comment [WWM3]:** We have mapped host plants at Rancho, but have not confirmed Mission blue butterflies at the site.

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<b>Fish Species</b>									
<i>Eucyclogobius newberryi</i>	Tidewater goby	FE, CH	n/a		Open Water	Brackish water habitats along the CA coast from Agua Hedionda Lagoon, San Diego Co. to the mouth of the Smith River.	Found in shallow lagoons and lower stream reaches	Eastern Pacific: Del Norte County in northern California, USA to Del Mar in southern California.	Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon)
<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	Coho salmon— Central California coast	FE, CH	n/a	SE	Open Water	Coastal streams draining to ocean (including those to S.F. Bay) with spawning, juvenile rearing habitat, and migratory corridor		This ESU range is from Punta Gorda in northern California to San Lorenzo River in central California, inclusive of S.F. Bay streams	Muir Beach (Redwood Creek)
<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Steelhead — Central California Coast	FT, CH	n/a		Open Water	Coastal streams draining to ocean (including those to S.F. bay) with spawning , juvenile rearing habitat, and migratory corridor		California streams from the Russian River to Aptos Creek, and the drainages of San Francisco and San Pablo Bays eastward to the Napa River (inclusive),	Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek), Muir Beach (Redwood Creek), Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon), Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek), and Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini Creeks).

**Comment [DRF4]:** This may be the species range, but not this ESU's.

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<b>Reptile and Amphibian Species</b>									
<i>Rana draytonii</i>	California red-legged frog	FT, CH	n/a		Wetlands	Adult require a dense, shrubby or emergent riparian vegetation closely associated with deep (>0.7 meters) still or slow-moving water.		California red-legged frogs are still locally abundant within portions of the San Francisco Bay area (including Marin County) and the central coast. Within the remaining distribution of the species, only isolated populations have been documented in the Sierra Nevada, northern Coast, and northern Transverse ranges.	Muir Beach, Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Lake, Rodeo Lagoon, and Tennessee Valley), Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge/Cattle Hill, Pedro Point, and Rancho Corral de Tierra
<i>Thamnophis sirtalis tetrataenia</i>	San Francisco garter snake	FE	n/a	SE	Wetlands	Prefer densely vegetated ponds with adjacent plants for basking. Preferred prey species is red-legged frogs. Estivates in burrow holes.		Historically San Francisco peninsula currently known from South San Francisco near airport and Mori Point near Pacifica. Known occurrence at Mori Pt.	Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, Pedro Point, and Rancho Corral de Tierra

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<b>Bird Species</b>									
<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>	Western snowy plover	FT, CH	n/a		Beach	Coastal beaches, sand spits, dune-backed beaches, beaches at river mouths, salt pans at lagoons and estuaries, mud flats, and man-made salt ponds.		Breeds primarily on coastal beaches from southern Washington to southern Baja California, Mexico.	Crissy Field and Ocean Beach
<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bank swallow		n/a	ST	Beach - Rocky Coast	(Nesting) colonial nester; nests primarily in riparian and other lowland habitats west of the desert.	Requires vertical banks/cliffs with fine-textured/sandy soils near streams, rivers, lakes, ocean to dig nesting burrows.	Widespread in N. Hemisphere. Winters in S. America, Africa, S. Asia.	Fort Funston
<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	Northern spotted owl	FT	n/a		Coniferous and evergreen forest.	Utilizes coniferous and mixed-hardwood forest areas for breeding in the project area, often in drainages.		The range encompasses an area from southwestern British Columbia south through the coastal mountains arid Cascade Range (both west and east sides) of Washington and Oregon, south into southwestern Oregon and northwestern California north of San Francisco	Homestead Valley, Oakwood Valley, and Marin Headlands Trails



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<b>Mammal Species</b>									
<i>Arctocephalus townsendi</i>	Guadalupe fur seal	FT	n/a	ST	Unlikely to occur in Project Area	Rocky habitat near ocean's edge		Breeds along the eastern coast of Guadalupe Island, approximately 200 km west of Baja California. In addition, individuals have been sighted in the southern California Channel Islands, including two males who established territories on San Nicolas Island.	Potential stranding on all beach areas
<i>Eumetopias jubatus</i>	Steller sea lion	FT, CH	n/a		Unlikely to occur in Project Area	Protected haul out sites.		Breeds from northern Channel Islands north to Aleutians and the Pribilofs. Breeding colony on Ano Nuevo Island.	Potential stranding on all beach areas

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<b>Plant Species</b>									
<i>Arenaria paludicola</i>	Marsh sandwort	FE	1B.1	SE	Wetlands	Wetland and riparian ecosystems	Freshwater marshes with saturated, predominantly sandy soils from 3-170m	Historically the West Coast. Today only a dozen individuals found in San Luis Obispo County. Two populations were reintroduced to Marin Headlands.	Marin Headlands
<i>Arctostaphylos franciscana</i>	Franciscan manzanita	FE	1B.1		Serpentine - Chaparral	Scrub and chaparral communities	Endemic to California; only one wild plant at Presidio of San Francisco and transplanted to Presidio Area B. 60-300 m.	Localized in San Francisco	Presidio Bluffs, World War II Memorial, Fort Point and Baker Beach, Crissy Bluffs
<i>Arctostaphylos hookeri ssp. ravenii</i>	Presidio (Raven's) manzanita	FE	1B.1	SE	Serpentine - Chaparral	Chaparral, coastal prairie, coastal scrub.	Formerly endemic to S.F. area; only one wild plant plus clones remain; open, rocky serpentine slopes. 20-215m.	N Central Coast (San Francisco Presidio) .Plants apparently belong to a single clone	Baker Beach

**Comment [WWM5]:** Shouldn't plants be in alphabetical order, that is after *Arctostaphylos* spp.

**Comment [FA6]:**

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<i>Clarkia franciscana</i>	Presidio clarkia	FE	1B.1	SE	Serpentine grassland	Serpentine grassland	Only known in San Francisco and Alameda Counties. Serpentine soils around 50 meters in elevation.	Only five known occurrences in San Francisco and Alameda counties. Endemic to California.	Baker Beach, Presidio Bluffs
<i>Hesperolinon congestum</i>	Marin dwarf-flax "Marin Western Flax"	FT	1B.1	ST	Serpentine – Grassland/ Chaparral	Serpentine grassland/chaparral	In serpentine barrens and in serpentine grassland and chaparral. 30-365m.	Known only from Marin, S.F., and San Mateo Counties. NW San Francisco Bay Area. Occurs on Presidio coastal area.	Baker Beach
<i>Lessingia germanorum</i>	San Francisco lessingia	FE	1B.1	SE	Dunes	Dunes	Known only from San Francisco and San Mateo counties. From remnant dunes. Open sandy soils relatively free of competing plants. 20-125m.	San Francisco Bay Area. Species located in the coastal habitat region of the Presidio (Special Status Vascular Plant Species Monitoring Report, GGNRA 2001).	Baker Beach and Fort Funston
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<i>Potentilla hickmanii</i>	Hickman's potentilla (Hickman's cinquefoil)	FE	1B.1	SE	Coastal prairie	Coastal prairie	Open coastal prairie intermixed with native perennial grasses and forbs.	Currently known from two populations in Monterey County and Rancho Corral de Tierra.	Rancho Corral de Tierra

Comment [WWM12]: Add Presidio clarkia to Table 8 in Ch. 3.

Comment [FA13]:

Comment [WWM14]: Only confirmed at RCdT

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**RTE Status**

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R = Rare

ST = State Threatened

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**CC:** Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Hawk Hill Site Protection Fence

Great, thanks!

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Daphne

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/1/2013 5:44:32 PM  
**To:** Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]; Shirwin Smith [Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Fw: [SFBirds] Fort Funston/Mt. Davidson 6/19/13

Hi,

Howard sent without any check in from me (or Shirwin?).

I did let Howard know that city dumped some sand over rock revetment and bank swallow burrows--so that may add to general negative public sentiment out there.

-Bill

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**From:** **Levitt, Howard** <howard\_levitt@nps.gov>  
**Date:** Mon, Jul 1, 2013 at 3:58 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: [SFBirds] Fort Funston/Mt. Davidson 6/19/13  
**To:** "Hatch, Daphne" <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>  
**Cc:** Francis Dean <frank\_dean@nps.gov>, "bill\_merkle@nps.gov" <bill\_merkle@nps.gov>, "Aaron\_Roth@nps.gov" <Aaron\_Roth@nps.gov>, Shirwin\_Smith <Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov>

Hi Daphne, et al: I have already responded to Dan's note. I think he mostly wanted to point out what he believes is our failure to protect birds and other wildlife in the park because of our position on dog mgt. I'll forward it to all of you again. HL

On Mon, Jul 1, 2013 at 1:21 PM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:  
Funny, I subscribe to SFBirds but I missed these. He has many good points. Not sure what Howard plans to respond, and not sure what I can contribute but please keep Bill and I, and Shirwin, in the loop.  
Daphne

On Friday, June 28, 2013, Francis Dean wrote:  
Daphne and Bill,

Howard is preparing a response and wasn't sure you were in the loop yet. He has some good points.

Frank

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**From:** Dan Murphy [mailto:murphsf@Exemption 6]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 24, 2013 05:32 PM  
**To:** Frank Dean <Frank\_Dean@nps.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: [SFBirds] Fort Funston/Mt. Davidson 6/19/13

Mr. Dean,

I was asked by a few people to forward the following e-mail string to you regarding impacts by off leash dogs on birds and mammals at Fort Funston. The absolute neglect of NPS in lifting a finger to preserve this once valuable natural resource is pretty well illustrated and as I post more data on Fort Funston it will be even better documented. You might want to have your staff to research Fort Funston on eBird from time to time if you want to get an idea of what used to be there in terms of birds. It will probably take me a few years to get all my data posted since it goes back to the early 1970s. Actually I hold no hope NPS cares enough about the natural resources in GGNRA to think this will make any difference. But let's put a happy face on this, GGNRA does make the finest dog park in the entire National Park System.

Dan Murphy  
San Francisco

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**From:** Dan Murphy <murphsf@Exemption 6>  
**To:** Dominik Mosur <polskatata@yahoo.com>; SFBirds <sfbirds@yahoogroups.com>  
**Cc:** Audubon Society Conservation <ggasconservation@yahoogroups.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 20, 2013 11:14 AM  
**Subject:** Re: [SFBirds] Fort Funston/Mt. Davidson 6/19/13

I've been entering data from notebooks for the late 70s and early 80s when I birded Fort Funston quite a lot. It used to be a must bird spot during the fall and spring. I just entered records for a few rare birds last night. I noticed you apparently didn't bird the Skyline Grove. It's pretty isolated and there is seldom a leashed dog there. It's incredible how it's changed since it's been stolen from the public by nature hating dog owners. The jackrabbits, brush rabbits, California Quail and other ground nesting critters are all extirpated now. My notes touch on the wildflowers I used to see out there, but they've been trampled into oblivion. There was an incredible coffeeberry right behind the Y-Grove that used to feed up to 30 or so Western Tanagers and more than 50 sparrows each September. It was trampled into dust before I quit birding out there. Well, let's face it, even ice plant is in danger of extirpation out there. Just looking out the back window I can see the high dune just north of the beach access north of Battery Davis. It's flattened now and is virtually devoid of vegetation. It's hard to believe the National Park Service so neglected this incredible resource that its major use now is a repository for dog excrement.

Dan Murphy

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Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 3:23 PM  
Subject: [SFBirds] Fort Funston/Mt. Davidson 6/19/13

Did an early morning walk around Fort Funston, checking the trees around Battery Davis (uphill from the junction of Skyline and west end of John Muir Drive) and Skyline Grove to the north. No migrants, but good to see several BEWICK'S WRENS around, the highest density for this species anywhere in the City. Also lots of great looks at BANK SWALLOWS foraging low, with single scan counts of 20+ throughout the morning. Be aware that despite being a part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and supposedly under the same resource protections as other parcels in this park system, Fort Funston has been a de facto dog playground for decades. Don't bother coming here if you get frustrated/angry at occasionally being barked at/jumped on/licked by canines or stepping in their feces. That said, early morning birding is still possible south of Battery Davis.

At lunch I checked on Mt. Davidson. A ROSE-BREADED GROSBEAK was singing away in the "Bowl" on the north side of the hill, presumably one of the two birds first found on 6/6. Singing Western Wood-pewee, Olive-sided Flycatcher and Wilson's Warbler were the other neotropical migrants noted. All three have nested here in past years, although only the warbler has been confirmed so far in 2013. Also observed a lone BAND-TAILED PIGEON fly out of stand of fruiting Red Elderberry and perch high in a cypress. A disturbing "Funston" like trend is emerging on Mt. Davidson unfortunately. Whereas this has been a spot for local residents to walk their dogs for years, the past year or so I have noted increased use of the area by COMMERCIAL DOG WALKERS who ignore the posted "dog-on-leash" signs. It will be truly a shame if one of the most botanically diverse parks in the City which also boasts one of the highest numbers of nesting bird species per acre is also transformed into a playground for commercial dog walking interests.

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**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Crissy Airfield Workshop

Thanks for this, Daphne. If I do get formally invited, I may just show up!

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/19/2013 11:30:46 AM  
**To:** Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** fencing proj review

Hi,

Just talked to Larry. The Rodeo Lagoon fencing is getting bumped from this upcoming PR--guess the Trust is coming to present an EA that we need to comment on.

Can't do the Aug. 7 because of I&M--so this will likely be on Aug. 21.

This will give us time to sort through veg. issues.

Larry asked again about admin review and I let him know that with closure, dog and public issues that it probably would be good to be at full PR.

-Bill

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**CC:** Bill Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; Kristen Ward [Kristen\_Ward@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Question for you re: Muir Beach fence line

Hi Alison, Michael and Carolyn,

Would you please review and provide any comments back to me and I can share with Shirwin? It took me a while to get to this so if you could respond this week, I'd appreciate it.

Thanks.

Daphne

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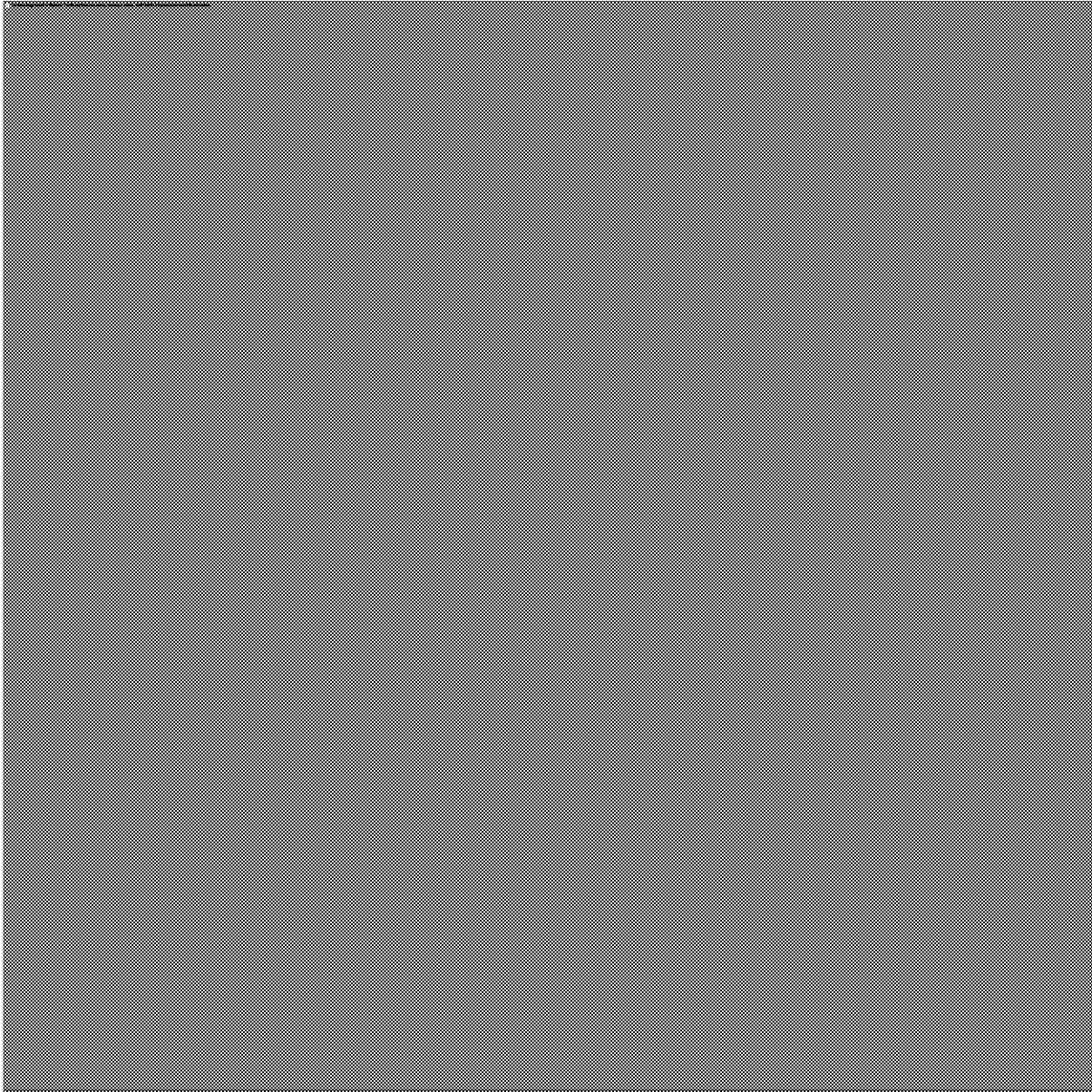
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**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Dog Management Planning Update



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you an update on the next steps in the Dog Management Planning and rulemaking process in the GGNRA.

### **Proposed Rule for Dog Management at Golden Gate National Recreation Area**

Since the completion of the comment period on the Supplemental Dog Management Plan/EIS (SEIS) in February 2014, we have been working on evaluating the comments received and preparing a Proposed Rule. ***The Proposed Rule is the operational reflection of the NPS preferred alternative from the SEIS. It translates the regulatory aspects of the preferred alternative into a proposed rule, unique to the GGNRA. It is informed by an analysis of the comments received on the SEIS, as well as further staff review. It will describe in detail where and how people will be able to enjoy the park with their dogs - on and off-leash - as well as parameters for responsible dog walking within the park.*** The document will be less than 40 pages long.

### **Release of the Proposed Rule**

The Proposed Rule is currently undergoing review in the NPS Washington office and Department of the Interior. We have decided out of respect for everyone who is interested in the dog management issue at Golden Gate to defer release of the Proposed Rule until after the holiday season. Therefore, it is probable that the proposed regulation will be released in early January 2016 for a 60-day public review period.

### **Public Review**

During the public review period, we will schedule a series of public informational meetings in the three counties in which the park is situated to help assure that interested stakeholders understand what the Proposed Rule contains, how it fits in the 14 year dog management planning process, and how people can submit comments. In addition to the scheduled public informational meetings, we will be pleased to provide briefings on request

from interested groups.

### **Next Steps**

Following completion of the public comment period on the Proposed Rule, we will evaluate comments to complete a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and issue a Record of Decision, which is a summary of the overall dog management process and an explanation of why NPS has chosen the action it is taking. Thirty days after the FEIS is approved, a Record of Decision will be signed, and a Final Rule for Dog Management at Golden Gate National Recreation Area will be issued. This process is expected to be completed in late 2016.

### **Questions?**

To access the SEIS and other dog management planning documents, go to:

<http://www.nps.gov/goga/learn/management/dog-management.htm>

For questions, please contact GGNRA Director of Communications, Howard Levitt, at 415 561-5730 or [howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov).

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**Sent:** 11/9/2015 9:08:21 AM  
**To:** Lehnertz, Christine [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Action: Dog Management Communications Team

Hi Chris and Adrienne,

I'm a little confused about the ask here. I'm envisioning 2 things happening as part of public meetings for the Dog rule- an IDT that plans overall communications, and for the public meetings - additional staff to staff the public meetings and engage directly with the public.

Most of our NR staff have participated in the past public meetings on the Dog plan and I assume that many of them would for the Rule as well, but maybe the thinking on this is evolving.

I see Carolyn Shoulders is on the proposed team- she participated in the training as part of her role with Redwood Creek and we've tried to keep her out of the dog fray as much as possible to not taint her community relationships with respect to Redwood Creek. I will talk to her about this but would suggest that Bill Merkle would be a better fit as he and I have tag-teamed for years on dog issues. He was not at the training but I think this would be a great development assignment for him, and he is just coming off of a detail to the I&M program. I'd like to talk with him about this as well.

Those would be my suggestions at this point. Clarification on the 1st question would also be helpful. Thanks!

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On Fri, Nov 6, 2015 at 12:20 PM, Lehnertz, Christine <[chris\\_lehnertz@nps.gov](mailto:chris_lehnertz@nps.gov)> wrote:  
DELIBERATIVE WORK PRODUCT

Hi All,

The GGNRA Communications and Partnership Office has been involved every step of the way on the dog management NEPA and rulemaking work, and has prepared a draft Communication Plan that will accompany the proposed rule as it continues its routing through WASO and DOI.

As we work on refining the execution of our communications, I want to make sure that we have all appropriate park divisions involved. This effort will include completing a more detailed communication strategy, including communications internally with our staff, and preparing for and participating in public meetings. Toward that end, I am asking each of you to consider how you think your division

should be involved, and based on that, who in your division should participate. We will develop an inter-divisional communication team for this effort, which will be lead by the Communications and Partnership Office.

In our strategic communications workshop in late September, we learned more about intentional, strategic and well designed communication processes. While some of our staff participated in that training, it's not a prerequisite for the ID communication team members.

Starting in mid-November this IDT will meet to spearhead the effort, with an initial kick-off meeting on November 18 in Bldg 1050 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., focused on completing stakeholder and messaging exercises. Commitments of up to two hours each week through January will be needed to complete development of the strategy, messages and products.

Below is a list of folks who were either part of the workshop, or were identified by the core dog management team as contributing toward that effort. Recognizing that there are other workload priorities that you are managing in your divisions, I would like you to consider their participation, but this is fully open to discussion:

Planning: Christine Fitzgerald, Mia Monroe, Erin Yacubian

Visitor and Resource Protection: Chad Marin

USPP: Pamela Smith or Colleen Budd

Natural Resources: Daphne Hatch, Carolyn Shoulders

Maintenance: Dan Collman, Barnaby Fischer

Interpretation: Marcus Koenen

Business Managment: Katie Beltrano, Stef Martin

Administration: Nancy Capland

Howard Levitt, Adrienne Freeman, Alex Picavet and Mike Savidge will be on the IDT.

Please let me know by Tuesday, November 10th at our Leadership Team meeting, who will be part of this time-sensitive and critical team to ensure we are putting our best foot forward!

Thanks very much.

Chris

p.s. for any questions or clarifications in the interim, please contact Adrienne Freeman at (415) 561-4732.

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**Date:** Tue, Sep 3, 2013 at 12:57 PM  
**Subject:** Tuesday-Rodeo Beach  
**To:** Bill Merkle <Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov>

Hi Bill –

Sorry I missed you – just talked to Jill and I'd be happy to talk anytime – if you want to call again I'll even meet you outside where we can stare at the lagoon. I'm on Hawk Hill all day tomorrow.

So: my opinion, since we don't allow recreation people-use of the lagoon, it has always surprised me that we allow dogs and people into its most sensitive edge ,, at the beach. I have wanted to see, for many years, to see a fence-line from the south end of the footbridge staying at the crestline of the beach and landing at the coastal trail start at the southwest corner of the lagoon.

What might we gain:

1. increased use and protection of winter water bird use of the west end of the lagoon – dozens of species have been seen in the winter using this mudflat from terns to *Calidris* sandpipiers, pelicans, heerman's gull (Species of Sp Concern in Calif) and even an occasional Black skimmer;

2. Increased use of the dune area by birds year-round: grassland sparrows, blackbirds, sandpipers will be more likely to venture upland a few dozen meters into this higher ground;
3. possible Snowy Plover nesting in sand-lizardtail, skyrocket patches.

Do some visitors use that area for recreationalizing? Sure, but not the, but the serious naturalists and passionate birders I know would rather have everyone stay back so you could minimize disturbance to the lagoon edge, and study the birds from a distance. IT's a great potential statement of our National Park standards. The dogs get the beach; the birds get the lagoon edge....

Id be happy to help champion this – let me know –

ALLEN

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**Allen M. Fish**

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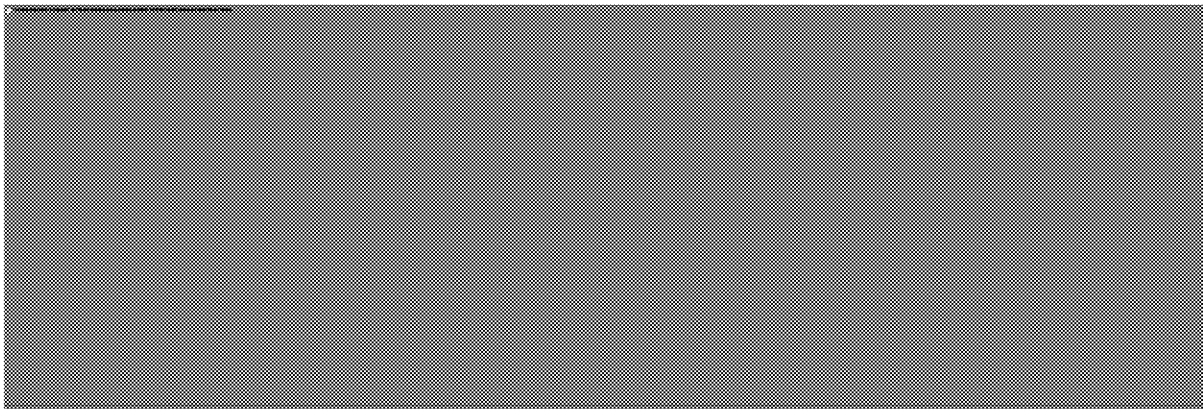
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## Dog Management Plan

### Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement Now Available and Accepting Comments

Dear Park Friend,

Thank you for your continued interest in dog management at Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Following review of the public comments received on the 2011 draft plan/EIS, the National Park Service (NPS) determined that a number of changes were necessary to be fully responsive to public comment. Because of newly available information and some changes to the proposed action, a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) has been prepared and is being released on Friday, September 6, 2013, for a 90-day public comment period.

Your input on the draft plan/SEIS is an important step in developing the best solution for dog management that both allows a variety of visitor experiences and protects resources in this unit of the National Park Service. We look forward to your thoughtful review and comments.



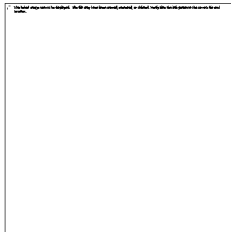
information about the dog management planning process, please visit the website for Dog Management at GGNRA.

For further questions about the plan, please call the Dog Management Information line: 415-561-4728

Sincerely,  
Frank Dean  
General Superintendent

[Click here to download a PDF version of the draft plan/SEIS newsletter.](#)

#### Managing Visitor Access at Muir Woods



GGNRA, in cooperation with Mount Tamalpais State Park and the County of Marin, invites the public to help develop options for better managing visitor demand and congestion at Muir Woods National Monument. Two projects are being proposed: Parking Reservation & Shuttle System, and



#### Where can you view the SEIS?

Digital copies are available for download, online at:  
<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan>

Reference copies of the draft plan/SEIS are also available at libraries in San Francisco, Marin, and San Mateo Counties, and Oakland and Berkeley. A list of those libraries can be found at:  
[www.nps.gov/goga/seis.htm](http://www.nps.gov/goga/seis.htm)

#### Public Open House Meetings

Three public meetings will be held for the public to learn more about the draft plan/SEIS:

**Saturday, November 2**

**Transportation  
& Access Site  
Improvements.**

A public meeting  
will be held on  
September 18  
and comments  
will be accepted  
through October  
4.

11:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m.  
Fort Mason Center, Fleet Room, Building D  
San Francisco, CA 94123

**Monday, November 4**

4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Farallone View Elementary School  
1100 LeConte Avenue, Montara, CA 94037

**Wednesday, November 6**

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Tamalpais High School, Ruby Scott Gym  
700 Miller Avenue, Mill Valley, CA 94941

**Submitting Comments**

The draft plan/SEIS will be available for public comment for  
90 days, **ending on December 4, 2013**  
(**11:00PT/12:00MT**). You may provide comments by:

- Attending any of the three public open house meetings;
- Commenting online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan>; or
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Attn: Dog Management SEIS

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Greetings, Rancho neighbors!

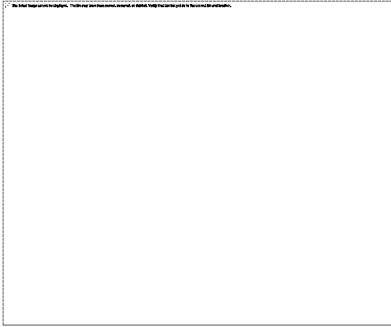
We hope you have been enjoying your summer in the park. You may have seen the San Mateo Team out there clearing trails, removing invasive plants and leading hikes. This newsletter highlights some of the recent changes and upcoming activities planned at Rancho Corral de Tierra, including the much-anticipated release of the Dog Management Plan!

In this issue:

- Trail brushing with SCA Crew
- California praying mantis
- Controlling harding grass
- Coyotes
- PG&E reconductoring
- Rain gauge
- Conifer removal
- Dog plan -- released!
- Fire plan
- Upcoming events

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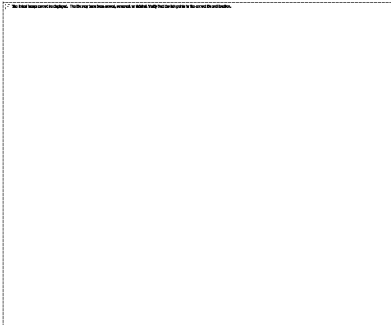
**RECENT ACTIVITY**



### **Trail Maintenance With the Student Conservation Association**

Throughout the month of July, the NPS Trail Crew worked with the Student Conservation Association to brush trails in the Moss Beach area above Cabrillo Farms. These hardy students suited up in Tyvek to brave the poison oak and made significant progress up the mountain. Thank you, SCA! We'll continue to work our way up the trail in the next few months; in the meantime, please use caution

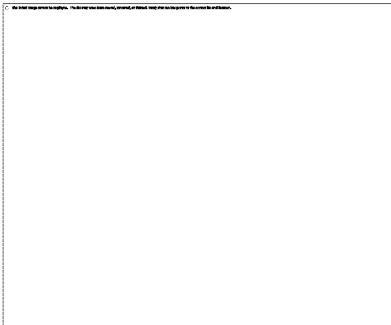
until the trails have been cleared.



### **Fun Findings in the Weeds!**

Sharp-eyed park interns found this perfectly camouflaged praying mantis hiding in the yellowed grasses in Montara last month. There are several types of praying mantises found in California—many of which are originally from Asia and were brought over as pets; however, only our native California mantises range from green to yellow to adapt to surrounding vegetation that changes seasonally due to our Mediterranean climate. They grow up to 3 inches long and

are predatory; they'll eat just about any insect they can subdue with their strong front arms—even members of their own species!



### **Controlling Invasive Plants in Montara**

You may have noticed some very strange rectangles on the ground in a big grassy field near Montara above Old San Pedro Mountain Road. That's science at work! The surrounding grass is an invasive plant called harding grass. Originally from the lands around the Mediterranean Sea, this tall and dense perennial grass was brought to the US to support cattle grazing due to its ability to tolerate a wide range of growing conditions and general persistence after disturbance.

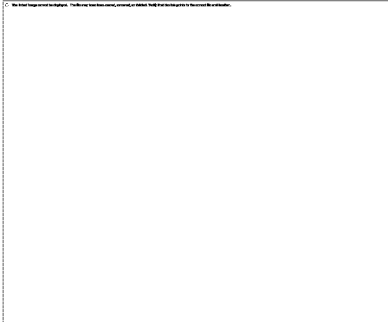
This plant has historically been used to revegetate areas in California after wildfires to prevent erosion. Ironically, now that we've learned more about the species and its ecology in our California environment, we understand that the thick, dense stands it forms become a potential fire hazard during the dry summer months!

The thick (nearly impenetrable) stand at Rancho Corral de Tierra is approximately 5 acres, and the specific origin at this site is unknown. (If you know how this plant got here, please contact [Susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:Susie_bennett@nps.gov).) This harding grass patch is smothering the native grassland, which are among the most endangered ecosystems in the United States. Fortunately, at Rancho Corral de Tierra, there are several remnant patches of native grasslands, some supporting a number of rare species. Based on input from local botanists, environmental activists, and our surveys and assessments, the National Park Service has determined that protecting key patches of this rare ecosystem is a key priority for Rancho. To do this, we must control the harding grass that is continuing to invade these fragile systems.

Typically, control of this plant throughout California relies on herbicide, but at the Park Service, we always explore mechanical ways to control weeds before utilizing herbicide. The rectangles “carved into” the harding grass at Rancho are one of the experiments to explore various treatments. Others include: periodic mowing, digging out the roots, and temporarily installing tarps to smother the invasive plants.

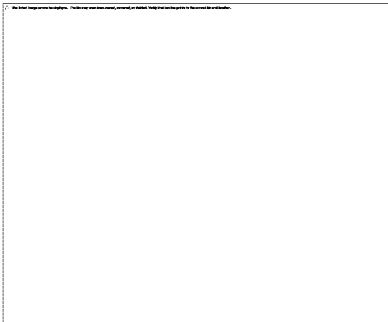
We have already learned that the treatments have varying levels of effectiveness, and will continue to monitor these experiments to make an informed decision to control harding grass on this hillside. Stay tuned for further details including volunteer opportunities to help us pull weeds and plant natives in future years.

#### **Keep Coyotes Wild**



Have you seen more coyotes in the park recently? If so, we need your help to keep them wild! Coyotes are a natural part of the ecosystem and fill an important role as top predator, helping to maintain natural balances by controlling small mammal populations. They are not dangerous as long as they are not encouraged to interact with humans. Help keep them wild: Do not feed the coyotes, keep all pet food and water inside, and secure all garbage can lids. Report abnormal or aggressive behavior to (415) 265-1540.

#### **PG&E Reconductoring Utility Lines**



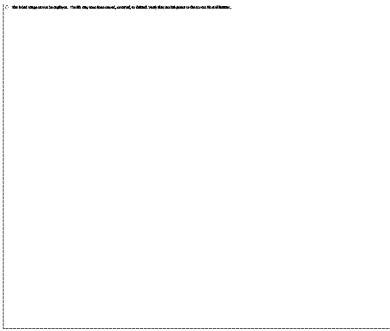
PG&E is currently upgrading utility service to the Coastside by reconductoring the lines through Rancho Corral de Tierra and McNee Ranch. The project includes replacement of several utility poles and swapping the existing distribution lines with new modern lines. Although the work within Rancho is expected to be completed in the next few weeks, work will continue on State Parks land into October. Helicopters will be used to fly replacement poles from the “fallow field” along Highway 1 up to McNee Ranch.

#### **Community Rain Gauge on Montara Mountain**

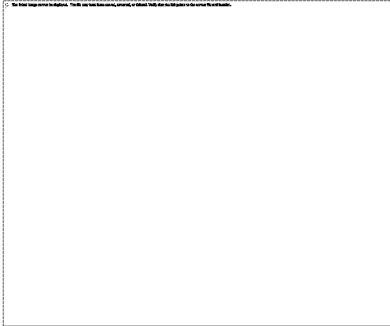


Are you interested in participating in a citizen science experiment at Rancho? Now’s your chance! The Community Collaborative for Rain, Hail & Snow Network (CoCoRaHS) has installed a rain gauge on top of Montara Mountain, and you are invited to visit, observe and report any precipitation that has accumulated. The more information that is documented and collected, the better we can all understand the rainfall patterns in the area. For more information, see [CoCoRaHS](#).

### **Protecting Endangered Plants in Montara**



Before



After

In order to protect an endangered plant, Hickman’s Potentilla, on the hillside above Highway 1 in Montara, NPS recently worked with Go Native to remove several conifers from a small grassland patch. The removal of these trees and invasive pampas plants exposed this endangered plant and will allow it to thrive without being covered by shade or suffocated by pine needle duff.

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## PLANNING EFFORTS

### **Supplemental EIS for Dog Management Plan is Open for Public Comment!**

The 90-day public comment period for the Draft Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement is now open. The plan includes site specific analysis for Rancho that was not included in the initial draft. Your comments will help inform the Final Rule for dog management in GGNRA. For more information on how you can provide input, visit the park’s Dog Management website. Three public meetings are scheduled where you will be able to discuss the draft plan with park staff; in San Mateo County, the meeting is scheduled for **Monday, November 4, 4:30 pm–8:30 pm at Farallone View Elementary School.**

Until the Dog Management plan is final, dogs are permitted on-leash throughout Rancho.

### **Fire Management Plan**

Thank you for all your feedback on the Amendment to include Rancho Corral de Tierra in the GGNRA Fire Management Plan. Our Fire Team has been busy compiling all of the public comments we received, and the summary report is expected to be released in the next few weeks . In the meantime, our Maintenance crew has been out mowing to provide fire breaks along the boundary. If you have additional concerns or questions about fire management planning or defensible space, please contact [cbcarey@nps.gov](mailto:cbcarey@nps.gov).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

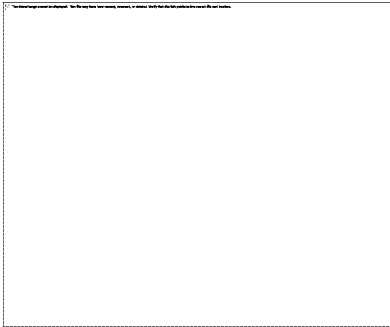
### **Coastal Cleanup Day at Rancho Corral de Tierra!**

Saturday, September 21, 10 am-1 pm

Join the National Park Service and Parks Conservancy for a volunteer day to help "clean up" the park. We will be removing invasive plants like eucalyptus, pine trees, and pampas grass.

- What to Bring: Please be prepared for changing weather, dress in layers, and wear sturdy shoes and clothing that can get dirty.
- What We Provide: Tools, training, snacks, and water

[RSVP here for meeting location >>](#)



### **Pacifica Fog Fest**

Saturday, September 28, 10 am-6 pm

Meet the latest addition to the GGNRA team, the Roving Ranger. This mobile trailhead is designed to serve as a visitor contact and information center. Come see the Roving Ranger in the Fog Fest parade!

For more information, visit the [Fog Fest website](#).

### **Dog Management Public Meeting**

Monday, November 4, 4:30-8:30 pm at Farallone View School

### **Annual Open House (All GGNRA San Mateo County Projects)**

Tuesday, November 19, Location TBD

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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/25/2013 10:02:25 AM  
**To:** Ward, Kristen [kristen\_ward@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Muir Beach Dunes - Fencing and Acreage

Thanks! I thought it showed fencing all the way across in front of the willows to the creek. It doesn't sound like Carolyn is necessarily thinking this way. I hope Michael is. I think that fence is really critical for dog management, keeping people from using the willows as a restroom, using live willows for firewood, and hopefully potentially expanding the dunes a bit in front of the willows. We need to make sure this happens.

Daphne

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On Tue, Sep 24, 2013 at 6:23 PM, Ward, Kristen <[kristen\\_ward@nps.gov](mailto:kristen_ward@nps.gov)> wrote:

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**From:** **Ward, Kristen**  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 18, 2013  
**Subject:** Muir Beach Dunes - Fencing and Acreage  
**To:** Michael Chasse <[michael\\_chasse@nps.gov](mailto:michael_chasse@nps.gov)>

Hi Michael -

Can you tell me if the figure in the attached proposal still shows the correct fencing that is planned for the dunes at Muir Beach?

Also, when you get a chance - can you calculate the acreage of existing dunes and the acreage of 'new' dunes.

Some of the trustee council members have asked about the acreage recently.

thanks,  
Kristen

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*Kristen Ward*  
*Golden Gate National Recreation Area*



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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/27/2013 8:26:27 AM  
**To:** Kevin Cochary [Kevin\_Cochary@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; Shirwin Smith [Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Sunil Rajappa [sunil\_rajappa@partner.nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: SNPL problems

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**From:** **Dan Murphy**  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2013  
**Subject:** SNPL problems  
**To:** Bill Merkle <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)>

Hi Bill,

There is a predatory dog walker on Ocean Beach who is really raising hell with the plovers. I mean this woman is so irresponsible she is an actual threat to the birds. I've seen her twice, today (9/26) and previously on 9/24. She's out there around 9:00 am. She left the beach at Noriega at 9:20 this morning.

The dogs are black over brown. The larger of the 2 is a mongrel and the real source of the problem. It is fast and chases the mixed flock of 40 to 50 SNPLs and Sanderlings relentlessly. I mean this dog spots the birds and attacks. It chases them into the air and causes them to fly as much as 3 blocks. It followed the same pattern both days. The other smaller dog just sort of runs along, following a bit, but basically running along the shoreline. The owner leashes both dogs when they are done with the plover flock. At least that is what she did the 2 days I've seen her. Oh, the larger dog has a red collar and was wearing a yellow scarf on the 24th, but not today.

The dog owner is a white woman. I didn't see her face well, but my impression is she's middle aged. Today she was wearing a bright mid blue sweatshirt, a black baseball style hat and had a great sweatshirt or overshirt tied around her waist. She wore the same distinctive mid blue sweatshirt on the 24th. Sorry I don't have pictures, but the batteries in my camera were dead when I tried to get her.

There is another dog that is pretty bad too and is on the beach at the same time. It's a white pit bull with an female Asian owner. The dog runs all over the beach chasing birds. It almost always has a ball in it's mouth. The owner was wearing a bright coral colored sweatshirt both on the 24th and the 26th.

And bird feeding is a problem. About half an hour after the dogs leave the beach there is a guy out there feeding the ravens. I did attach a nice picture of him on Sept. 16. This was the day he walk off with his off leashed dog (not one that chases anything), passed me and went about a block where he stopped. The birds stayed where he was feeding them in the first place. But when he stopped they took off, no doubt figuring there was more to be had. They flew low and direct over the SNPLs and Sanderlings and flushed them. The entire flock took off. So without trying to do so, he caused a major disturbance.

All these incidents occurred between Noriega and Lawton. As you know, I don't bother calling this stuff in because it's a wasted effort. Had I called in the woman today she would have had her dogs leashed and been off the beach by the

time anybody got there. Let's face it, the only way these people will ever be cited is if a ranger or park police officer actually witnesses them disturbing wildlife, and since NPS does not patrol the beach at any time during the morning prior to about 11, that isn't going to happen. My assumption is based on the fact I haven't see a single ranger or park police officer on the beach in well over a year and I'm out there for 1 to 2 hours, on one day, almost every week between mid July and the end of April.

All the best,  
Dan Murphy

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Bill Merkle, Ph.D.  
Wildlife Ecologist  
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## **Dog Management Communications**

*December 2, 2015 – Meeting Objectives and Agenda*

### **Objectives**

- Review and finalize key messages (stakeholder specific and universal)
- Finalize, prioritize, and assign stakeholder organizations and relationships
- Update timeline with milestones and tactic implementation
- Assign tactic and product creation

### **Agenda**

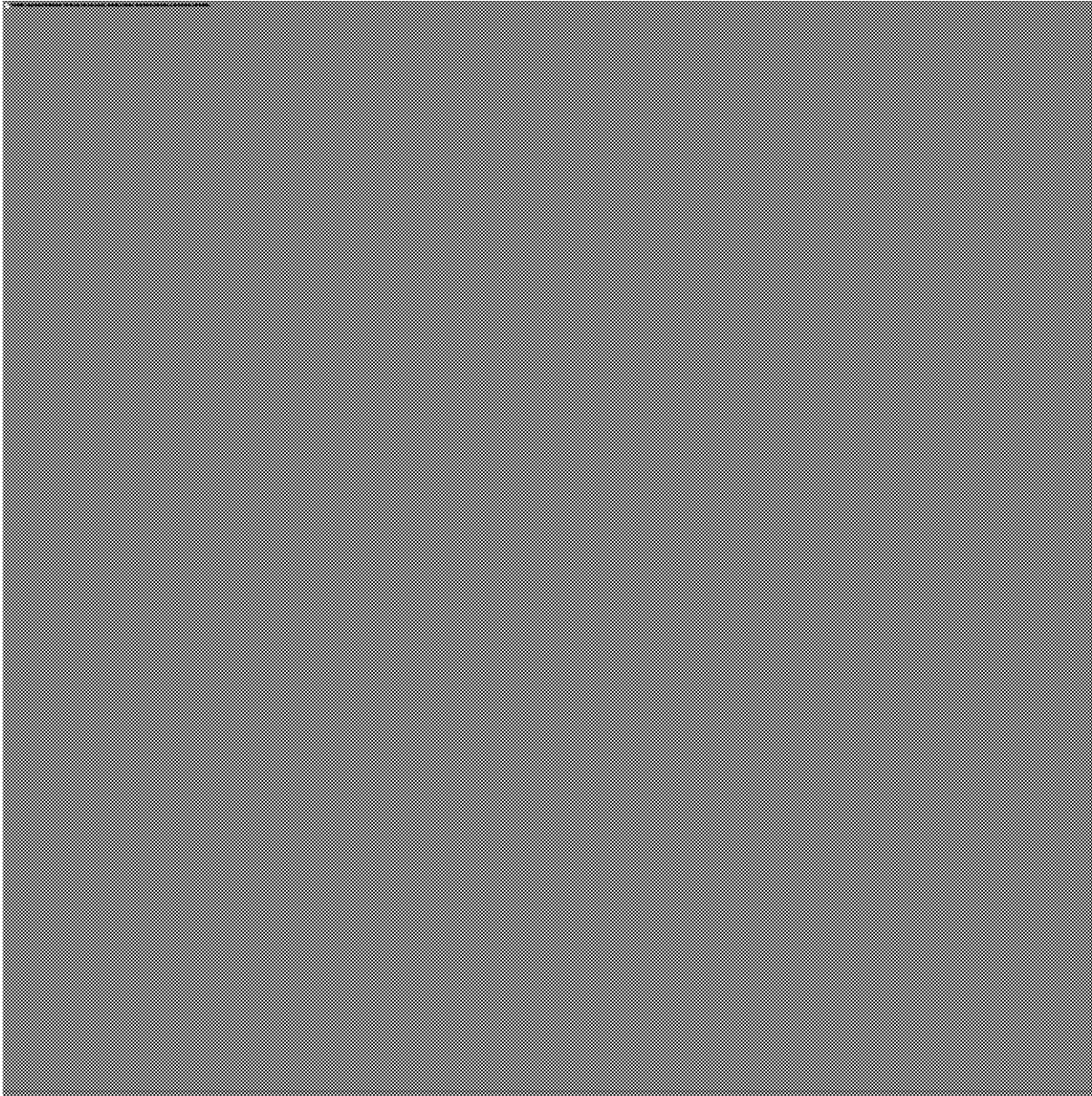
- 10:00am**      **Welcome and Introduction**  
*Recap of last meeting; review meeting objectives; review group agreements*
- 10:10am**      **Finalize Key Messages**  
*Review draft messages; final feedback received*
- 11:00am**      **Finalize and Prioritize Stakeholders**  
*Review stakeholder map; identify prioritizes; assign contacts/relationships*
- 11:40am**      **Update Timeline and Tactics Plan**  
*Update milestones; tactic implementation*
- 11:50am**      **Review Next Steps**
- 12:00pm**      **Adjourn**

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**From:** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [brian\_aviles@nps.ccsend.com]  
**on behalf of** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [goga\_planning@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/24/2013 10:11:26 AM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Extension of Public Comment Periods for GGNRA Projects

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## Lend a Hand at Crissy Field!



On **Saturday, October 26, from 9am-noon**, come help with grounds and historic site maintenance at Crissy Field and the Presidio shoreline. Projects include litter removal, weeding invasive plants, vegetation pruning, painting, and historic site improvements. Help keep these popular public destinations well maintained for both local and worldwide visitors to use and enjoy. [Click here for more information.](#)



## Extension of Public Comment Periods

Dear Park Friend,

Per an announcement released on Tuesday, October 1, the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website was unavailable during the time that the federal government was shutdown, from October 1 through October 16. Because of this it was impossible to submit comments online for several projects. Therefore, Golden Gate National Recreation Area has decided to extend the public review times for all of the projects that were open for comment during this time. Please see below for specific projects and adjusted comment deadlines, and click the project titles to go directly to their webpage.

Please note that all comments that were submitted prior to the government shutdown on October 1 will be analyzed. Also, the sooner comments can be submitted the more helpful it is to staff who will be examining them.



Overlooking Fort Baker - NPS Photo

### Muir Woods Parking Reservation and Shuttle System & Muir Woods Transportation & Access Site Improvements

The public comment period for the scoping phase of these two projects has been extended from November 4, 2013 to January 11, 2014.

The next public meeting for these projects will still be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at the Tamalpais Valley Elementary School. A separate email

notice with more detailed information will be sent as that date approaches.

**Draft Dog Management Plan/SEIS**

The public comment period for the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) has been extended by 5 weeks, from December 4, 2013 to January 11, 2014, due both to the recent 16-day government shutdown and requests from stakeholders. It is not necessary for individuals, organizations, and agencies that have already commented to do so again, unless they wish to submit a new comment. CDs and a limited number of hard copies of the SEIS are available and can be requested at 415-561-4728. The SEIS is available online at:

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan>

The public meetings will occur as previously scheduled:

November 2, 2013  
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Fort Mason Center - Building D, Fleet Room  
Marina Boulevard at Buchanan  
San Francisco, California

November 4, 2013  
4:30 PM - 8:30 PM  
Farallone View Elementary School  
1100 Le Conte Avenue  
Montara, California

November 6, 2013  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Tamalpais High School - Ruby Scott Gym  
700 Miller Avenue  
Mill Valley, California

**Draft Programmatic Agreement for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act**

The comment period for the Draft PA has been extended from October 25, 2013 to November 25, 2013.

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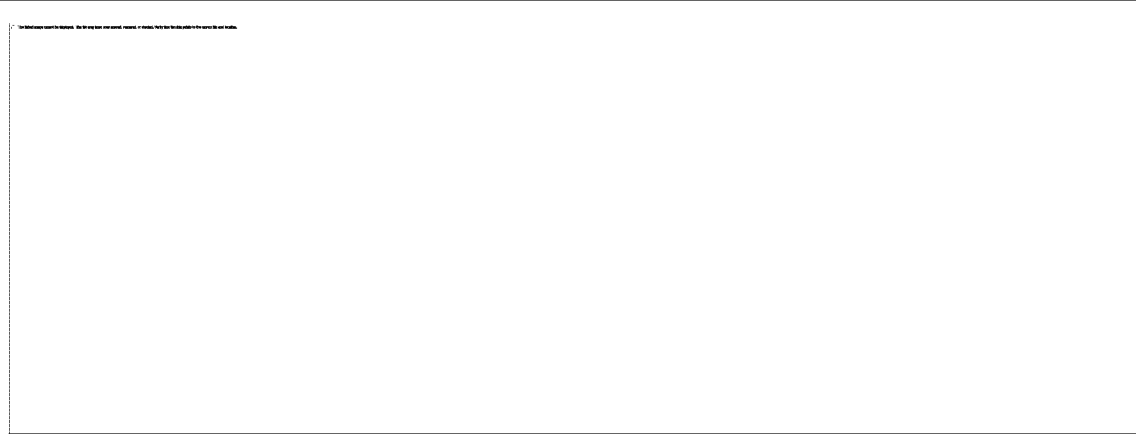
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**From:** Christine Carey [ccarey@parksconservancy.org]  
**Sent:** 11/4/2013 1:22:14 PM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Reminder: Public Meeting Tonight



Greetings, Rancho neighbors!

Just a reminder that the Public Open House Meeting for the GGNRA Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement is tonight!

Come speak to park staff and learn more about the plan.

4:30-8:30 pm, Farallone View Elementary School  
1100 LeConte Avenue, Montara, CA

For more information, visit <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan>.

Hope to see you tonight!

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## Restore Endangered *Lessingia* at Fort Funston, GGNRA

**Project Total Cost:** \$121,292

**Funding Source:** ONPS high

**Park Unit:** Golden Gate National Recreation Area

**NPS Contact Person:** Alison Forrestel (415) 289-1837

### ABSTRACT

San Francisco *Lessingia* (*Lessingia germanorum*) is a federally endangered annual herb found in dune habitats on the San Francisco peninsula. This species has been reduced to only two locations: the Presidio of San Francisco and Daly City, just south of San Francisco. The latter population is privately owned and slated for eventual development. We propose establishing a third population of *Lessingia* by reintroducing this species to Fort Funston, a unit of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) which is located in the southern portion of the San Francisco peninsula. Once established, the Fort Funston *Lessingia* population would support substantially more individuals than the current Daly City population and would also have long term protection from development. **Establishing an additional *Lessingia* population with long term protection is critical to ensuring the recovery of this endangered plant.** This project will advance the NPS Climate Change Response Strategy by enhancing ecological resilience and will execute the “In my Back Yard” and “Parks for People” Call to Action items through engagement with neighbors and park users.

### JUSTIFICATION/PROBLEM STATEMENT

The San Francisco Bay Area is recognized as a biodiversity hotspot which supports many rare plant and animal species in a matrix of high density urban and suburban development (Kraft et al 2010; Thorn et al 2009). Many of the rare, threatened and endangered species that occur in the San Francisco Bay Area are protected within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. One of these species is the federally endangered San Francisco *Lessingia* (*Lessingia germanorum*).

San Francisco *Lessingia* is an annual forb in the sunflower family (Asteraceae) that requires open dune habitat to persist. This species is known historically from old coastal sand deposits on the San Francisco peninsula, from Daly City (which is just south of San Francisco) northward to the Presidio of San Francisco. It is currently restricted to only two locations: the Presidio of San Francisco, where it exists in several subpopulations in remnant dune scrub habitats, and near Hillside Park, on the western edge of San Bruno Mountain, in Daly City. The primary reasons the current populations are so restricted are habitat loss due to development and the loss of natural dune processes (USFWS 2003). Current population sizes vary dramatically from year to year but are in the range of tens-of-thousands to hundreds-of-thousands of individuals in the Presidio and hundreds to thousands of individuals in the Daly City population (NPS 2013, USFWS 2003).

The recovery plan for San Francisco *Lessingia* identifies protection of extant populations and reintroduction of new populations into unoccupied habitat as the two primary recovery actions. Management of the various Presidio sub-populations has been a joint effort between the National Park Service and the Presidio Trust and has been very successful to date. The key next step in the recovery of this species is the establishment of one or several new populations. Fort Funston is identified as one of three recovery units in the recovery plan for San Francisco *Lessingia*.

Fort Funston is an approximately 200 acre unit of the GGNRA located at the southwestern corner of San Francisco. The vegetation is a mix of native dune and dune scrub, iceplant (*Carpobrotus edulis*) and other invasive plants. This is a popular recreation area which is heavily used by dog walkers. GGNRA just released a Dog Management Plan EIS that would limit dog walking and establish a habitat protection zone in the northern

portion of the unit. Implementation of these new dog restrictions would take place in 2015, well before the FY19 funding horizon for this proposal.

The Fort Funston dunes represent the only large remnant dune habitat that occurs directly within the historic southern portion of San Francisco *Lessingia*'s range. At least 30 acres of existing suitable habitat and restorable habitat for colonization by San Francisco *Lessingia* are estimated to exist at Fort Funston, giving the area the potential for a major population.



Figure 1. San Francisco *Lessingia* (photo credit S. Khalsa)

This project would fund habitat restoration and subsequent *Lessingia* reintroduction at Fort Funston.

Establishing a population of *Lessingia* at Fort Funston is critical to ensuring the long term recovery of this species. This project helps meet the directives of the park's enabling legislation which mandates the preservation of the "outstanding natural historic, scenic and recreational values" and "natural character of the area." With three years of funding, we expect to restore 75 acres of native habitat and establish a self-sustaining population of San Francisco *Lessingia* at Fort Funston.

## OBJECTIVES

1. Implement the Recovery Plan for San Francisco *Lessingia* by establishing a large self-sustaining population of this species at Fort Funston, GGNRA.
2. Restore diverse, native dune habitat on 75 acres currently infested with invasive species.
3. Engage park users at popular recreation site to educate them about the ecological values of the site.

## METHODS

The overall approach to this project follows a phased approach as recommended in the recovery plan. First, small "founder" sub-populations of *Lessingia* will be established in existing bare areas at Fort Funston. Once these sub-populations are established and spreading spontaneously, surrounding areas of ice plant and other invasive plants will be removed to allow for *Lessingia* expansion. In addition to *Lessingia* seeding/planting and invasive plant removal, we will also actively revegetate with native dune plants that are commonly found growing in areas with *Lessingia*.

### *Founder Sub-Population Establishment*

We will first collect seeds from the Hillside Park (Daly City) population, which is genetically distinct from the Presidio population. Collecting from this population will allow for the preservation of the southern genotype of this species. The GGNRA has already begun discussions with the land owner about collecting seeds from this population and we expect seed collection to be complete well before the start of the project. In year one of the project, a portion of the collected seeds will be cultivated through the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (GGNPC) Nursery Program. These plants will be transplanted to at least five locations and transplants will be made during rainy weeks in winter. In addition to transplants, we will also sow seed directly into our planting areas. All transplant/direct seed locations will contain bare soil and at least 0.1 acre of intact habitat. We will plant 200 transplants and direct-sow several thousand seeds per site.

### *Invasive Plant Removal*

Once the founder sub-populations are established and expanding spontaneously, during year 2 of the project, we will begin removal of surrounding iceplant and other invasive plants. Iceplant removal will be primarily by hand, which is effective for that species (Brossard *et al* 2000). The other primary invasive plant species found at the site is *Acacia* sp. These small trees will be removed with chainsaws and treated with a cut-stump herbicide application. Approximately 15 acres of invasive plants will be removed through this project. Initial removal will be done with contractors and follow-up removal of invasive plants will be done by volunteers.

### *Revegetation*

Native dune species known to coexist with *Lessingia* will be planted in the invasive plant removal areas. All plants will be grown by the GGNPC nursery program using locally collected seed sources. All planting will take place in year three of this project, after invasive plant removal has been completed.

### *Interpretive Component*

This project provides a unique opportunity for public outreach and education and to directly engage park users and neighbors in stewardship and restoration in the park. Fort Funston is heavily used for recreation, but its biological value is not well understood by the public. We will engage recreational users in habitat restoration work including invasive plant follow-up removal and planting native species. We already have an active volunteer program at this site, so it will be a seamless transition to recruit additional volunteers to work on this project. In addition to engaging park users as volunteers, we will develop a resource bulletin about the San Francisco *Lessingia* that can be printed as a flier and adapted into an informative temporary sign. Fliers can be distributed through existing outreach pathways and 1-2 signs (using existing windmasters or real estate sign posts) can be installed along the trails where work is most visible to the public.

### **Project Timeline**

#### *Year 1 (FY19)*

- Create signage and fliers to explain project and goals (Fall)
- Cultivate 1000 *Lessingia* plants for transplanting to the project site (Fall/early Winter)
- Transplant 1000 *Lessingia* plants and apply seed directly to planting locations (Winter)
- Collect seeds from local native dune plants and deliver to partner nursery for storage and propagation. (Late spring/summer)

#### *Year 2 (FY20)*

- Remove 15 acres of iceplant and acacia from areas surrounding founder sub-populations (Fall through Spring)

#### *Year 3 (FY18)*

- Follow-up invasive plant removal with volunteers (Fall through Spring)
- Plant native dune species in restoration site (Late fall/early winter)

### *Post-project stewardship:*

Staff, interns, and volunteers continue weeding the project area. Depending on cover after first year after planting, staff and volunteers can infill small numbers of native plants to ensure the establishment of native

plants in the project area. In addition, GGNRA staff will conduct annual monitoring of the *Lessingia* population and, as needed, control of invasive species.

### STAFFING

This project will be overseen by the GGNRA’s Vegetation Ecologist for San Francisco, Michael Chasse. Michael is listed on the Park’s section 10(a)(1)(A) permit for San Francisco *Lessingia* and years of experience and success managing for and monitoring this species in the Presidio. Michael also has extensive experience with dune habitat restoration in the Presidio and at Muir Beach in Marin County. Michael will be planning the implementation of the project, coordinating the contracting, and providing the on-the-ground oversight to ensure that project objectives are met. He will be working with GGNRA’s Supervisory Vegetation Ecologist, Alison Forrestel, who will help develop and refine implementation and monitoring plans and provide overall management guidance throughout the project, including its planning stages. Park staff is also experienced in restoring native dune ecosystems and have the support of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy native plant nursery program. Betty Young, the Director of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy’s nursery program, has offered guidance by providing information about costs and revegetation methodology. She’s managed and designed nurseries for over 25 years, currently directs 6 nurseries, and has recently produced a propagation manual covering the Science and Art of Growing for Restoration that’s used across the state.

### BUDGET

	Cost	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
<b>Personnel Costs</b>	<b>GS-11/5 Vegetation Ecologist (Permanent STF), 160 hours</b>	7972	7972	7972	23916
<b>Contractor and Cooperator Costs</b>	<b>Iceplant removal</b>		20000		20000
	<b>Acacia removal</b>		15000		15000
	<b>Lessingia propagation &amp; planting (1000 plants)</b>	9500			9500
	<b>Native dune species propagation &amp; planting (5000 plants)</b>			47500	47500
	<b>Outreach Development</b>	4376			4376
	<b>Printing/Posting Costs</b>	1000			1000
<b>Total</b>		<b>22,848</b>	<b>42,972</b>	<b>55,472</b>	<b>\$121,292</b>

### In-kind Support

#### *During Project Implementation*

During the funding period for this project, at least 20 group volunteer days will be held, providing at least 250 hours of volunteer labor (field and nursery). The estimated value of this volunteer support is \$6045 (Independent Sector 2011). In addition, this project will receive in-kind support in the form of guidance and advising from the GGNRA Vegetation and Restoration Ecologist, and the GGNRA Supervisory Vegetation Ecologist. GGNRA will also cover GSA vehicle costs as in-kind support (\$1800). Additionally, we will receive guidance from our partner’s Nursery Manager totaling approximately \$2000 of in-kind services. Lastly, we expect to support this project through small grants obtained through our non-profit partner the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (GGNPC). We typically receive approximately \$2000 per year in grant funds from this source to support miscellaneous project needs. We also anticipate applying for USFWS Extinction Prevention Funds to support this work.

## PRODUCTS AND RESULTS

1. Establish a self-sustaining *Lessingia* population at Fort Funston, using seed from the Daly City population. This new Fort Funston population should reach at least 10,000 plants after 5 years.
2. Over a three-year period, conduct dune restoration and vegetation management on 15 acres that are currently infested by iceplant and other species. Maintain iceplant cover at 5% or less by the end of the funding period.
3. Increase volunteer capacity at Fort Funston by 25% over the project period to leverage staff and contractor funding and to promote the long-term sustainability of San Francisco *Lessingia* habitat.

## RANKING CRITERIA

### 1. Significance of Resource.

The Golden Gate National Recreation Area has more threatened and endangered species than any other continental National Park, totaling 26 threatened or endangered animals and 9 threatened and endangered plants. The federally endangered San Francisco *Lessingia* is one of these and is a top natural resource management priority. This plant is only known to occur in two locations, one of which is on private land and may be developed. Protecting unique, rare, threatened and endangered species, such as the San Francisco *Lessingia*, are a fundamental part of the GGNRA's mandates, as described in our enabling legislation (1972) which mandates the preservation of the "outstanding natural historic, scenic and recreational values" and "natural character of the area."

### 2. Severity of Resource Threat

The current global population of San Francisco *Lessingia* is limited to scattered sub-populations within the Presidio of San Francisco and a single, unprotected population on private land in Daly City. The Presidio population of this species is robust, but it is essential to establish an additional population to increase the resilience of this species, especially in the context of climate change. Further expansion of San Francisco *Lessingia* within the Presidio is limited by land use boundaries established by the Presidio Trust and NPS in their 2001 Vegetation Management Plan and Environmental Assessment. Fort Funston represents the greatest potential for restoration of San Francisco habitat within its historic range. However, much of the remnant dune ecosystem is currently dominated by invasive plants such as iceplant (*Carpobrotus edulis*). If this project is delayed, we risk missing the current opportunity for reintroducing San Francisco *Lessingia* to Fort Funston while the Daly City population is still available as a seed source. This is crucial because the Daly City population is genetically distinct from Presidio populations, is unprotected, and is the most appropriate seed source for Fort Funston.

### 3. Problem Resolution

This project addresses the most significant obstacle to restoring San Francisco *Lessingia* at Fort Funston over the long term by removing iceplant and other high-priority invasive plants that halt or greatly interfere with dune ecosystem function. A three-year period of seed introduction and strategic revegetation, in addition to invasive plant control and removal, will provide a high probability of establishing conditions that require only continual volunteer stewardship and monitoring in order to sustain San Francisco *Lessingia*. Park biologists, have demonstrated success with *Lessingia* restoration in the Presidio and are experienced in methods for removing iceplant, acacia and other invasive plants.

#### 4. Cost Effectiveness

This project will take a major step in ensuring the long term viability and recovery of the San Francisco *Lessingia* at a relatively low cost. We will achieve this in part by leveraging the already robust volunteer program at Fort Funston. Volunteer hours will assist in project implementation and provide the majority of labor for long term follow up. We will also leverage staff support and in-house expertise for project planning and implementation. This project will provide information to other national parks and land managers trying to conserve highly endangered plants and manage invasive plants including iceplant. We will facilitate information transfer to other land managers by sharing project results at one or more national conferences (George Wright Society, California Native Plant Society, California Invasive Plant Council, Society of Conservation Biology, and/or Ecological Society of America) and via the SF Bay Area Network Parks Science and Learning website ([ HYPERLINK "http://www.sfnps.org/" ]).

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Message

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**From:** Smith, Shirwin [shirwin\_smith@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/2/2013 8:49:39 AM  
**To:** English, Julie [julie\_english@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; Bill Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; daphne\_hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: CFR

Right. The dogs off leash should be 7.97(d)(ii) for Ocean Beach Plover protection Area. And just fyi, the cite re: plovers in the Crissy WPA is 7.97(d)(i).

Thanks - and don't forget there are 2 usable OB signs here in my office.

SES

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On Mon, Dec 2, 2013 at 7:26 AM, English, Julie <julie\_english@nps.gov> wrote:

Shirwin - So just to make sure that I am clear, the "Dogs off Leash" CFR is the one that needs to be corrected and the other two regulations sited on the sign are correct. Julie

On Wed, Nov 27, 2013 at 9:03 AM, Smith, Shirwin <shirwin\_smith@nps.gov> wrote:

Hi all - have realized that the OB plover signs don't cite the current section of the CFR, 36 CFR 7.97 (d)(ii). They cite 36 CFR 1.5 (a)(2), which we used in 2006 and 2007 for the emergency compendium amendments.

**Julie** - can we please update the plover signs to show the current applicable section of the CFR?

Thanks!

Shirwin

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From: **English, Julie** <[julie\\_english@nps.gov](mailto:julie_english@nps.gov)>

Date: Tue, Nov 26, 2013 at 5:20 PM

Subject: CFR

To: Shirwin Smith <[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)>

Shirwin - I am attaching a PDF of the signs currently at Ocean Beach. It doesn't have the CFR you mentioned on the phone but I wanted to be sure of which CFR you are referring to since there is more than one on the sign. Please let me know if there needs to be corrections and what the specific lines should say. These signs have been this way for a couple of years. We went thru several chapters of changes in the CFRs but I hadn't heard of any further updates since this one. Julie

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**From:** Fong, Darren [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/17/2013 12:54:40 PM  
**To:** Shirwin Smith [shirwin\_smith@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: NMFS SEIS consult

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**Date:** Fri, Dec 13, 2013 at 10:02 AM  
**Subject:** Re: NMFS SEIS consult  
**To:** "Fong, Darren" <[darren\\_fong@nps.gov](mailto:darren_fong@nps.gov)>

hey darren,

sorry for the confusion....we can chat about this at 2 pm. The consultation strategy was to analyze any changes to the proposed action that arose through the SEIS (i.e., impacts that were not analyzed in the previous consultation on the EIS). I was basing my analysis on the language on page 3, second paragraph from the top, of the 4 page transmittal/request for concurrence letter, which states....

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cheers,

rick

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To: daphne\_hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>, Bill Merkle <[Bill\\_Merkle@nps.gov](mailto:Bill_Merkle@nps.gov)>

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**From:** Smith, Shirwin [shirwin\_smith@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/17/2013 2:43:02 PM  
**To:** Darren Fong [Darren\_Fong@nps.gov]  
**CC:** daphne\_hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: NMFS SEIS consult

Hey Darren, wanted Michael Edwards to weigh in on this, so forwarded your last message to him. Below is his feedback. If helpful, I can set up a quick call with him.

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**Date:** Tue, Dec 17, 2013 at 2:26 PM  
**Subject:** Re: NMFS SEIS consult  
**To:** "Smith, Shirwin" <shirwin\_smith@nps.gov>

Shirwin,

Reading back through Rick's email, I see where the confusion arose. Please pass on our apologies for the confusion, and our sincere appreciation for their review of this large document! Unfortunately, we do need them to concur with our findings on our preferred alternative at each site. Even though we stated that impacts are similar, the actions at some sites have changed. Typically, FWS and NOAA analyze both the actions and the impact conclusions in consultation. There may be additional changes from public comment which would require re-consultation, but at this point we need to be sure the consultation on the SEIS is accurate for all sites.

That said, this should be an easy fix. I believe all NOAA would need to do is take another look at the pref'd alt for Muir Beach and send back a corrected letter. They can copy their earlier letter word for word, with the Muir Beach portion being the only change, as well as a note from them for our admin record to disregard the earlier letter because of the error. We then simply put the new letter in the FEIS, and the old letter and their memo in our admin record. Hopefully this would not be too difficult, especially given that our preferred alternative is

more protective than the alternative they mistakenly consulted on. This may seem over the top, but perhaps Darren can convey the stakes and litigation potential.

As always, please pass on our thanks to NOAA for their assistance! They have been great partners in this effort despite the challenges surrounding the review of this voluminous SEIS.

Thanks,

Michael

On Tue, Dec 17, 2013 at 2:59 PM, Smith, Shirwin <[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)> wrote:  
See message below. Input, pls

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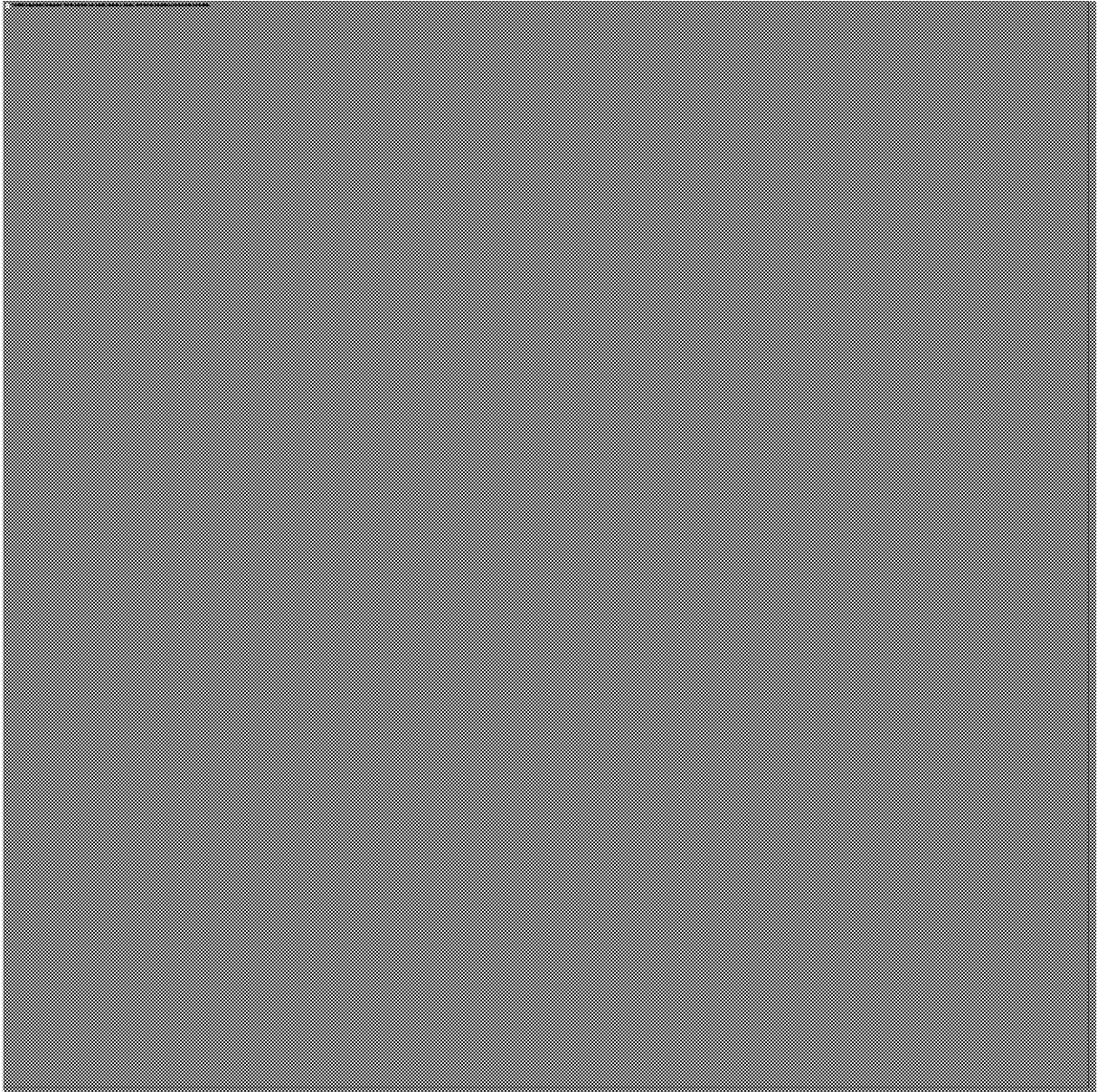
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**From:** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [brian\_aviles@nps.ccsend.com]  
**on behalf of** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [goga\_planning@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/20/2013 11:30:40 AM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Dog Management Plan - SEIS Comment Period Extended

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**Dog Management Plan SEIS**  
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Following the government shutdown in October, the comment period was extended to January 11, 2014. Now, due to continued concern from some stakeholders, **the comment period has been extended a second time, to Tuesday, February 18, 2014.**

The SEIS is available online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan> CD's and a limited number of hard copies are still available by calling 415-561-4728.

### How to Comment

- Online: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/dogplan> **Enter comments by 11 p.m. Pacific Time/Midnight Mountain Time** on February 18, 2014.
- By mail, **postmarked by February 18, 2014**, to GGNRA Superintendent, Bldg. 201, Fort Mason, San Francisco, CA 94123, Attn: SEIS

Thank you for your interest in this planning process. We look forward to your thoughtful review and comments.

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**From:** Smith, Shirwin [shirwin\_smith@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/27/2013 5:08:01 PM  
**To:** Christina Crooker [CCrooker@parksconservancy.org]  
**CC:** daphne\_hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Bill Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; Alexandra Picavet [Alexandra\_Picavet@nps.gov]; Sue Gardner [SGardner@parksconservancy.org]  
**Subject:** Re: New sign needed in Oakwood Valley

Hey Christina! Were signs added in Oakwood re: our conversation much earlier this year? Sorry to say I haven't had the time to run up the trail and check.

Cheers!

Shirwin

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On Wed, May 22, 2013 at 12:27 PM, Smith, Shirwin <[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)> wrote:

Yes...and dogs in the creek where he and his wife saw a giant salamander, and dog feces on the trail, and dog walkers dismissing wildlife concerns.

Shirwin

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On Wed, May 22, 2013 at 10:40 AM, Christina Crooker <[CCrooker@parksconservancy.org](mailto:CCrooker@parksconservancy.org)> wrote:

are people really calling you to report concern about dogs in the new plants?

**From:** Smith, Shirwin [mailto:[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 21, 2013 3:58 PM

**To:** Christina Crooker

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**Sent:** 1/10/2014 12:39:14 PM  
**To:** Fong, Darren [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Boltz, Suzanne [sboltz@eaest.com]; Shirwin Smith (Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov) [Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: NMFS clarification letter

Darren - I'm fine with the additional map (Figure 1b) but see attached revised letter where I clarify that the 1b map is from both the DEIS and SEIS. These maps will be updated in the FEIS, but for now they should be OK, especially given that the main area of confusion was the management regime on the beach. If this meets everyone's satisfaction, we can run by Rick and then send formally. Thanks!

Michael

On Fri, Jan 10, 2014 at 12:28 PM, Fong, Darren <darren\_fong@nps.gov> wrote:  
Whoops, sorry. Here's the draft letter with the maps. D

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On Fri, Jan 10, 2014 at 11:07 AM, Edwards, Michael <michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov> wrote:  
Darren - I think you resent your original comments. I didn't see a map on this version. Could you resend?

Daphne - I'm fine with using an updated map if we have one. If not, we'll need to go with the original map. Their confusion wasn't over the mapping though, it was over the actual management action (no dogs vs. on leash).

On Fri, Jan 10, 2014 at 10:44 AM, Fong, Darren <darren\_fong@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hi folks, I took a look at the map Suzanne added and given the original issue of not being explicit enough, I decided to add the Muir Beach changes from a map Shirwin had in a PPT. Please review. If ok, I'll send the draft to NMFS. Thanks! D

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On Fri, Jan 10, 2014 at 6:42 AM, Michael Edwards <[michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Thanks! Darren will let you take it from here!

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> On Jan 10, 2014, at 7:01 AM, "Boltz, Suzanne" <[sboltz@eaest.com](mailto:sboltz@eaest.com)> wrote:

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> From: Edwards, Michael [[mailto:michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov)]  
> Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2014 9:38 PM  
> To: Boltz, Suzanne  
> Cc: Darren Fong; Shirwin Smith  
> Subject: NMFS clarification letter

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> Suzie,  
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> I have a clarification letter for NMFS that we are sending, but I'm missing the Figure 1 vicinity map that was sent with

the earlier letter. Do you have this by change? If so, could you paste into this letter and send back to me?

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> Thanks,

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**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Darren Fong [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Susan Bennett [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]; Shirwin Smith [shirwin\_smith@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Pacifica dog use

Thanks, Daphne!

Bill and Darren - anything to add?

thx

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On Tue, Jan 7, 2014 at 4:22 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Re. Pedro Pt. - there has been extensive restoration throughout Pedro Pt and it is an undeveloped piece of coastal habitat contiguous with other undeveloped wildlands to the south. It is a high wildlife and habitat value area that is still recovering from its past history of use by off road dirt bikes/motorcycles. We expect that habitat restoration would continue into the future throughout the site, except through the eucalyptus grove where the coastal trail is located. I'm not sure about rare plants there - Susie might know. The desire to provide a range of visitor experiences was also a factor at Pedro.

At Mori, I'd have to see a map of the trails to know which ones these are. Susie would know. We definitely considered on-leash for all of the trails at Mori but given the SFGS and CRLF present at the site, the extensive restoration, and the desire to provide opportunities for a variety of visitor experiences, the preferred alternative limited dogs to the main access trails. There is also a desire to improve wildlife habitat values (e.g. for coyotes, birds, etc.) by having areas less influenced by the presence of dogs (ditto for Pedro).

Hope that helps. You might see if Bill Merkle or Darren have anything to add if needed. I'm not sure if Susie was part of these discussions or not, her main input was at Rancho.

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On Tue, Jan 7, 2014 at 3:54 PM, Christine B. Carey <[cbcarey@nps.gov](mailto:cbcarey@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Daphne and Susie

I am meeting with the GGNRA Liaison Committee tomorrow evening, and one of the agenda items is to review their final comments on the SEIS for the Dog Plan. There were a few questions they had about why certain trails were considered or not, and I'm hoping you can help clarify. Shirwin and I went through most already but still had a few outstanding questions.

1. Mori Point - were Timigtac Trail, Upper Mori Trail, and Mori Headlands Trail considered for on-leash? If so, why were they dismissed?
2. Pedro Point - were Middle Ridge, Arroyo and/or South Ridge Trails considered? If so, why were they dismissed? The SEIS indicates sensitive chaparral habitat, safety issues along ridge and potential CRLF/SFGS in the valley. Other reasons?

Anything you can share is greatly appreciated!

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**CC:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Michael Edwards [Michael\_B\_Edwards@nps.gov]; Boltz, Suzanne [sboltz@eaest.com]  
**Subject:** Draft Dog Management letter

Hi Rick, thanks for your patience on the dog management stuff. Here's a draft letter clarifying the changes in SEIS with respect to listed fish and critical habitat. Let me know if you have any suggested changes. Once we address your comments, we send the final copy from our Superintendent's office out. Thanks! Darren

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Thanks, Christina. As I'm retiring end of this week, pls keep Alex Picavet in the loop on progress/status of signs in Oakwood.

Thanks for everything!

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**Sent:** Friday, December 27, 2013 5:08 PM  
**To:** Christina Crooker  
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Hey Christina! Were signs added in Oakwood re: our conversation much earlier this year? Sorry to say I haven't had the time to run up the trail and check.

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On Wed, May 22, 2013 at 12:27 PM, Smith, Shirwin <[shirwin\\_smith@nps.gov](mailto:shirwin_smith@nps.gov)> wrote:

Yes...and dogs in the creek where he and his wife saw a giant salamander, and dog feces on the trail, and dog walkers dismissing wildlife concerns.

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are people really calling you to report concern about dogs in the new plants?

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L76 (GOGA-PLAN)

January 22, 2014

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National Marine Fisheries Service  
Southwest Region  
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Because of this change at Muir Beach in the SEIS, we are requesting your additional review and concurrence that the preferred alternative in the SEIS would not be likely to adversely affect CCC steelhead and coho salmon or their designated critical habitat. If, based on comments received during public review of the plan/SEIS, the NPS determines that the preferred alternative should be altered or amended, the NPS will submit a revised analysis with a new recommendation based on the new preferred alternative and associated impacts.

Should you need to informally discuss concerns before making your determination, you may contact Michael B. Edwards at 303-969-2694, or [ HYPERLINK "mailto:michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov" ]. We would appreciate your response in writing within 60 days from the date of receipt, if you do or do not concur with our assessment.

Sincerely,

Frank Dean  
General Superintendent,  
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Enclosures:

Table 1 – Federally and State-listed Species Considered in the Draft Plan/SEIS  
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**TABLE 1. FEDERALLY AND STATE-LISTED SPECIES CONSIDERED IN THE DRAFT PLAN/SEIS**

Group	Scientific Name	Common Name	Federal Status <sup>a</sup>	State Status <sup>a</sup>	GGNRA Location of Mapped Occurrence or Potential Habitat
Invertebrate	<i>Callophrys mossii bayensis</i>	San Bruno elfin butterfly	FE	—	Milagra Ridge
Invertebrate	<i>Icaricia icarioides ssp. missionensis</i>	Mission blue butterfly	FE	—	Alta Trail / Orchard Fire Road / Pacheco Fire Road, Oakwood Valley, Marin Headlands Trails (Tennessee Valley), Fort Baker, Milagra Ridge, and Sweeney Ridge / Cattle Hill,
Fish	<i>Eucyclogobius newberryi</i>	Tidewater goby	FE, CH	—	Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon)
Fish	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	Coho salmon—central California coast	FE, CH	SE	Muir Beach (Redwood Creek)
Fish	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Steelhead—central California coast	FT, CH	—	Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek), Muir Beach (Redwood Creek), Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon), and Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek), Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini Creeks)
Amphibian	<i>Rana draytonii</i>	California red-legged frog	FT, CH	—	Muir Beach, Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Lake, Rodeo Lagoon, and Tennessee Valley), Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge / Cattle Hill, Rancho Corral de Tierra
Reptile	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis tetrataenia</i>	San Francisco garter snake	FE	SE	Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, Rancho Corral de Tierra
Bird	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>	Western snowy plover	FT, CH <sup>b</sup>	—	Crissy Field, Ocean Beach
Bird	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bank swallow	—	ST	Fort Funston
Bird	<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	Northern spotted owl	FT	—	Homestead Valley, Oakwood Valley, and Marin Headlands Trails
Mammal	<i>Arctocephalus townsendi</i>	Guadalupe fur seal	FT	ST	Potential stranding on all beach areas
Mammal	<i>Eumetopias jubatus</i>	Steller sea lion	FT, CH <sup>b</sup>	—	Potential stranding on all beach areas
Plant	<i>Arctostaphylos franciscana</i>	Franciscan manzanita	FE		Baker Beach and Fort Point
Plant	<i>Arctostaphylos hookeri ssp. ravenii</i>	Presidio (Raven's) Manzanita	FE	SE	Baker Beach
Plant	<i>Arenaria paludicola</i>	Marsh sandwort	FE	SE	Marin Headlands
Plant	<i>Clarkia franciscana</i>	Presidio Clarkia	FE		Baker Beach
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Plant	<i>Potentilla hickmanii</i>	Hickman's potentilla (Hickman's cinquefoil)	FE	SE	Mori Point, Pedro Point, Rancho Corral de Tierra

<sup>a</sup> FE = federally endangered, FT = federally threatened, CH = critical habitat, SE = state endangered, ST = state threatened, SR = state rare.

<sup>b</sup> =Critical habitat has been designated for this species, but the critical habitat does not occur in GGNRA.

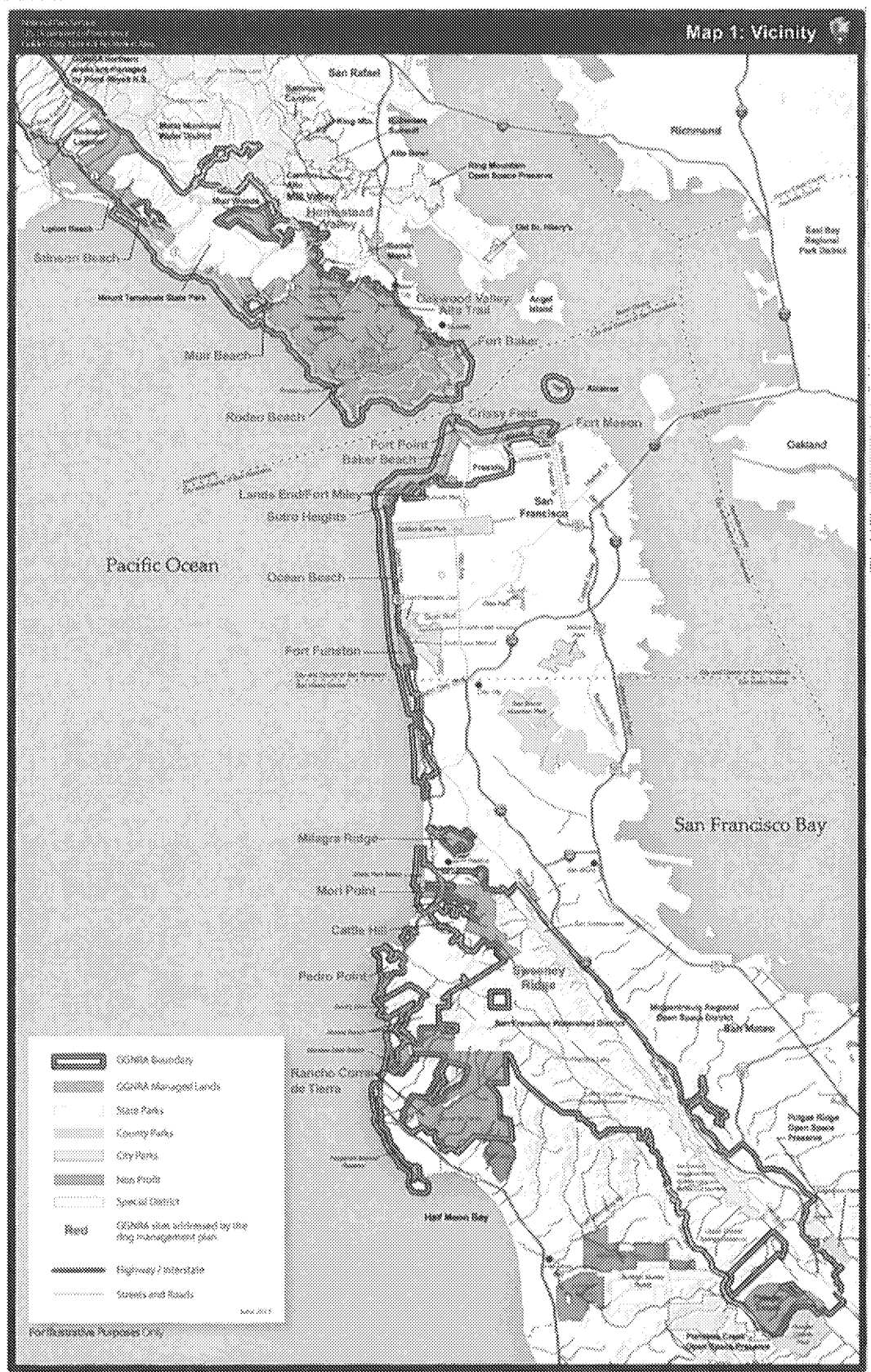


Figure 1a: Project Vicinity Map



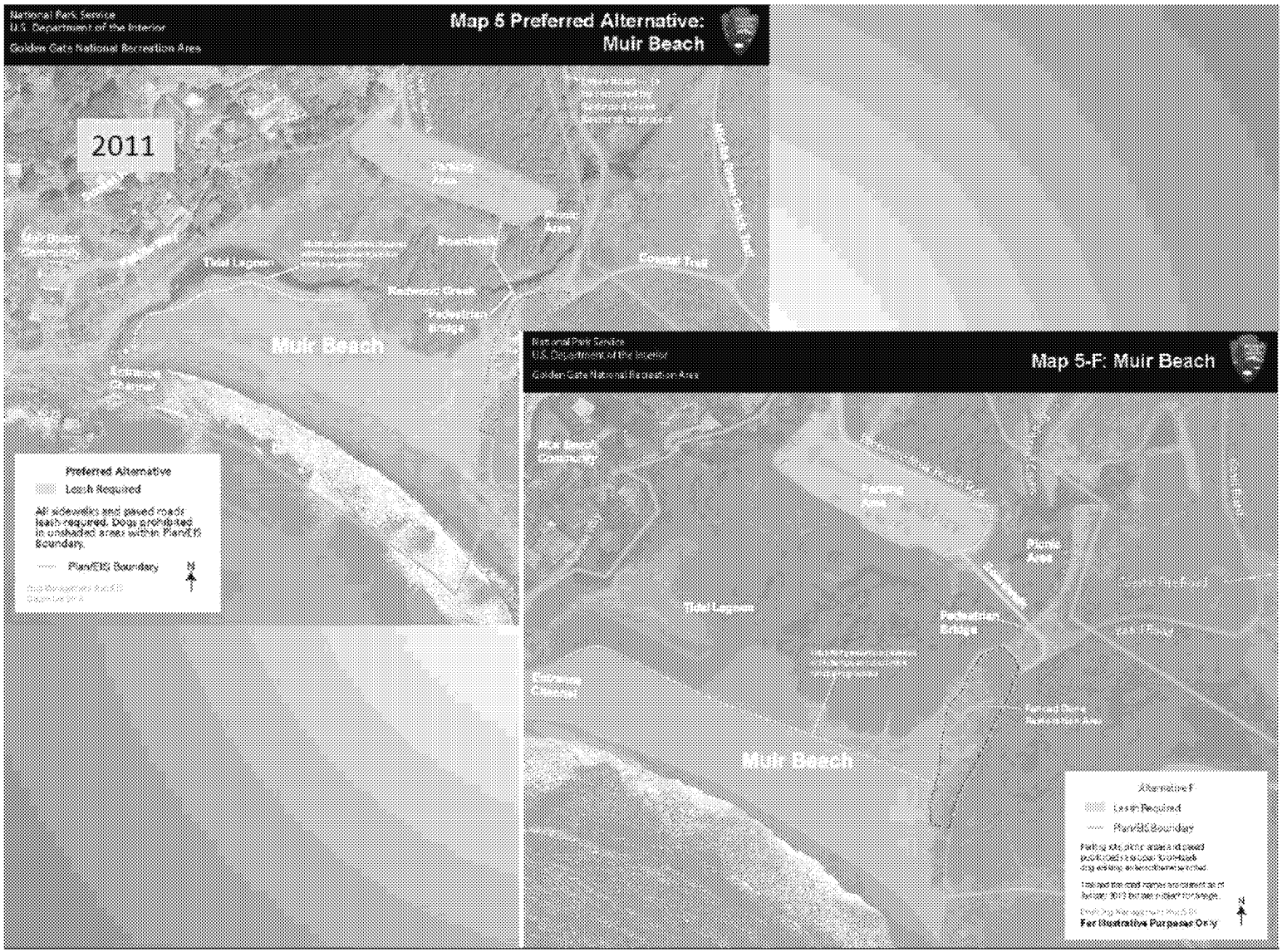


Figure 1b: Preferred Alternative for Muir Beach from DEIS (2011, upper left inset) and SEIS (lower right inset)

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Because of this change at Muir Beach in the SEIS, we are requesting your additional review and concurrence that the preferred alternative in the SEIS would not be likely to adversely affect CCC steelhead and coho salmon or their designated critical habitat. To assist in your analysis, we have also included a summary of the preferred alternative and effects to both steelhead and coho and respective designated critical habitat.

If, based on comments received during public review of the plan/SEIS, the NPS determines that the preferred alternative should be altered or amended, the NPS will submit a revised analysis with a new recommendation based on the new preferred alternative and associated impacts.

Should you need to informally discuss concerns before making your determination, you may contact Michael B. Edwards at 303-969-2694, or [ HYPERLINK "mailto:michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov" ]. We would appreciate your response in writing within 60 days from the date of receipt, if you do or do not concur with our assessment.

Sincerely,

Frank Dean  
General Superintendent,  
Golden Gate National Recreation Area

Enclosures:

Table 1 – Federally and State-listed Species Considered in the Draft Plan/SEIS  
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TABLE 1. FEDERALLY AND STATE-LISTED SPECIES CONSIDERED IN THE DRAFT PLAN/SEIS

Group	Scientific Name	Common Name	Federal Status <sup>a</sup>	State Status <sup>a</sup>	GGNRA Location of Mapped Occurrence or Potential Habitat
Invertebrate	<i>Callophrys mossii bayensis</i>	San Bruno elfin butterfly	FE	—	Milagra Ridge
Invertebrate	<i>Icaricia icarioides ssp. missionensis</i>	Mission blue butterfly	FE	—	Alta Trail / Orchard Fire Road / Pacheco Fire Road, Oakwood Valley, Marin Headlands Trails (Tennessee Valley), Fort Baker, Milagra Ridge, and Sweeney Ridge / Cattle Hill,
Fish	<i>Eucyclogobius newberryi</i>	Tidewater goby	FE, CH	—	Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon)
Fish	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	Coho salmon—central California coast	FE, CH	SE	Muir Beach (Redwood Creek)
Fish	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Steelhead—central California coast	FT, CH	—	Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek), Muir Beach (Redwood Creek), Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon), and Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek), Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini Creeks)
Amphibian	<i>Rana draytonii</i>	California red-legged frog	FT, CH	—	Muir Beach, Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Lake, Rodeo Lagoon, and Tennessee Valley), Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge / Cattle Hill, Rancho Corral de Tierra
Reptile	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis tetrataenia</i>	San Francisco garter snake	FE	SE	Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, Rancho Corral de Tierra
Bird	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>	Western snowy plover	FT, CH <sup>b</sup>	—	Crissy Field, Ocean Beach
Bird	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bank swallow	—	ST	Fort Funston
Bird	<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	Northern spotted owl	FT	—	Homestead Valley, Oakwood Valley, and Marin Headlands Trails
Mammal	<i>Arctocephalus townsendi</i>	Guadalupe fur seal	FT	ST	Potential stranding on all beach areas
Mammal	<i>Eumetopias jubatus</i>	Steller sea lion	FT, CH <sup>b</sup>	—	Potential stranding on all beach areas
Plant	<i>Arctostaphylos franciscana</i>	Franciscan manzanita	FE		Baker Beach and Fort Point
Plant	<i>Arctostaphylos hookeri ssp. ravenii</i>	Presidio (Raven's) Manzanita	FE	SE	Baker Beach
Plant	<i>Arenaria paludicola</i>	Marsh sandwort	FE	SE	Marin Headlands
Plant	<i>Clarkia franciscana</i>	Presidio Clarkia	FE		Baker Beach
Plant	<i>Hesperolinon congestum</i>	Marin dwarf-flax (Marin western flax)	FT	ST	Baker Beach
Plant	<i>Lessingia germanorum</i>	San Francisco lessingia	FE	SE	Fort Funston, Baker Beach
Plant	<i>Potentilla hickmanii</i>	Hickman's potentilla (Hickman's cinquefoil)	FE	SE	Mori Point, Pedro Point, Rancho Corral de Tierra

<sup>a</sup> FE = federally endangered, FT = federally threatened, CH = critical habitat, SE = state endangered, ST = state threatened, SR = state rare.

<sup>b</sup> =Critical habitat has been designated for this species, but the critical habitat does not occur in GGNRA.

Table 2. Summary of potential impacts to listed salmonids and/or critical habitat resulting from the Preferred Alternative.

Common Name	GNRA Location of Mapped Occurrence or Potential Habitat	Description of Preferred Alternative	GNRA effects determination
Coho salmon—central California coast	Muir Beach (Redwood Creek)	Would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking as illustrated in Map 5-F (SEIS)	Lagoon and Redwood Creek are closed to dogs. If dogs are physically restrained on leash and deterred by fencing, should not gain access to creek or its shorelines. NLAA. (9/5/2013 NPS letter)
Steelhead—central California coast	Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek)	Would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking as illustrated in in Map 2-F (SEIS). No change from DEIS	No dogs will be allowed to enter the creek. Furthermore, dense riparian vegetation between the creek and developed areas where dogs would be permitted would preclude non-compliant dog access. NLAA. (12/15/2010, 3/14/2011 NPS letters)
	Muir Beach (Redwood Creek),	Would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking as illustrated in Map 5-F (SEIS)	Lagoon and Redwood Creek are closed to dogs. If dogs are physically restrained on leash and deterred by fencing, should not gain access to creek or its shorelines. NLAA (9/5/2013 NPS letter)
	Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon)	Would allow the presence of regulated off-leash dog area on Rodeo Beach as illustrated in Map 6-F (SEIS). No change from DEIS	Steelhead trout is only found in Rodeo Lagoon for very limited periods; during migration due to existing poor water quality. NLAA (12/15/2010, 3/14/2011 NPS letters)
	Marin Headlands Trails (Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek)	Would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking as illustrated in Map 7-F (SEIS). No change from DEIS	No dogs will be allowed to enter the creek. Furthermore, dense riparian vegetation between the creek and trails where dogs would be permitted would preclude non-compliant dog access. NLAA (12/15/2010, 3/14/2011 NPS letters)
	Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini Creeks)	Would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking as illustrated in Map 21-F (SEIS)	No dogs will be allowed to enter the creek. Furthermore, dense riparian vegetation between the creek and trails where dogs would be permitted would preclude non-compliant dog access. NLAA (9/5/2013 NPS letter)

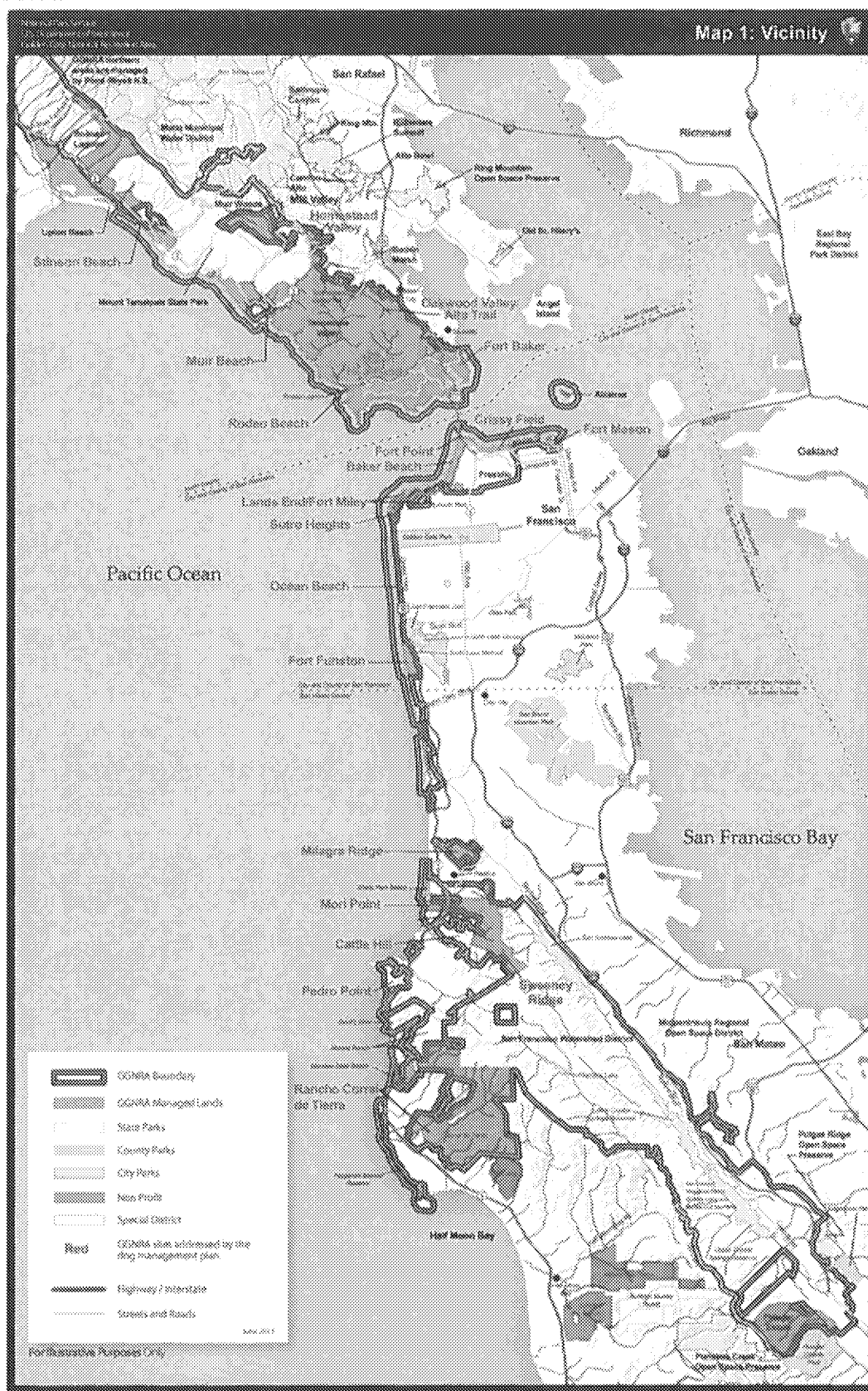


Figure 1a: Project Vicinity Map

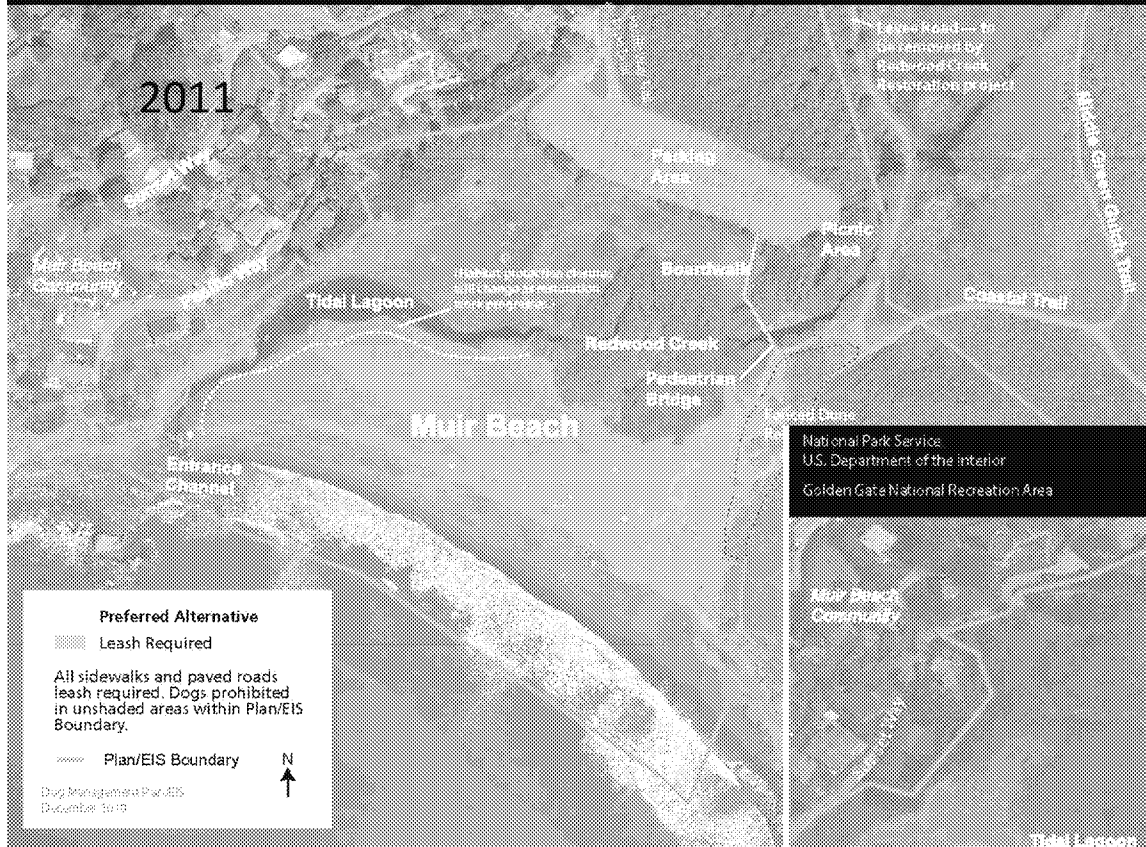


Figure 2a: Preferred Alternative for Stinson Beach from SEIS.

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### Map 5 Preferred Alternative: Muir Beach



### Map 5-F: Muir Beach



Figure 2b: Preferred Alternative for Muir Beach from DEIS (2011, upper left inset) and SEIS (lower right inset)

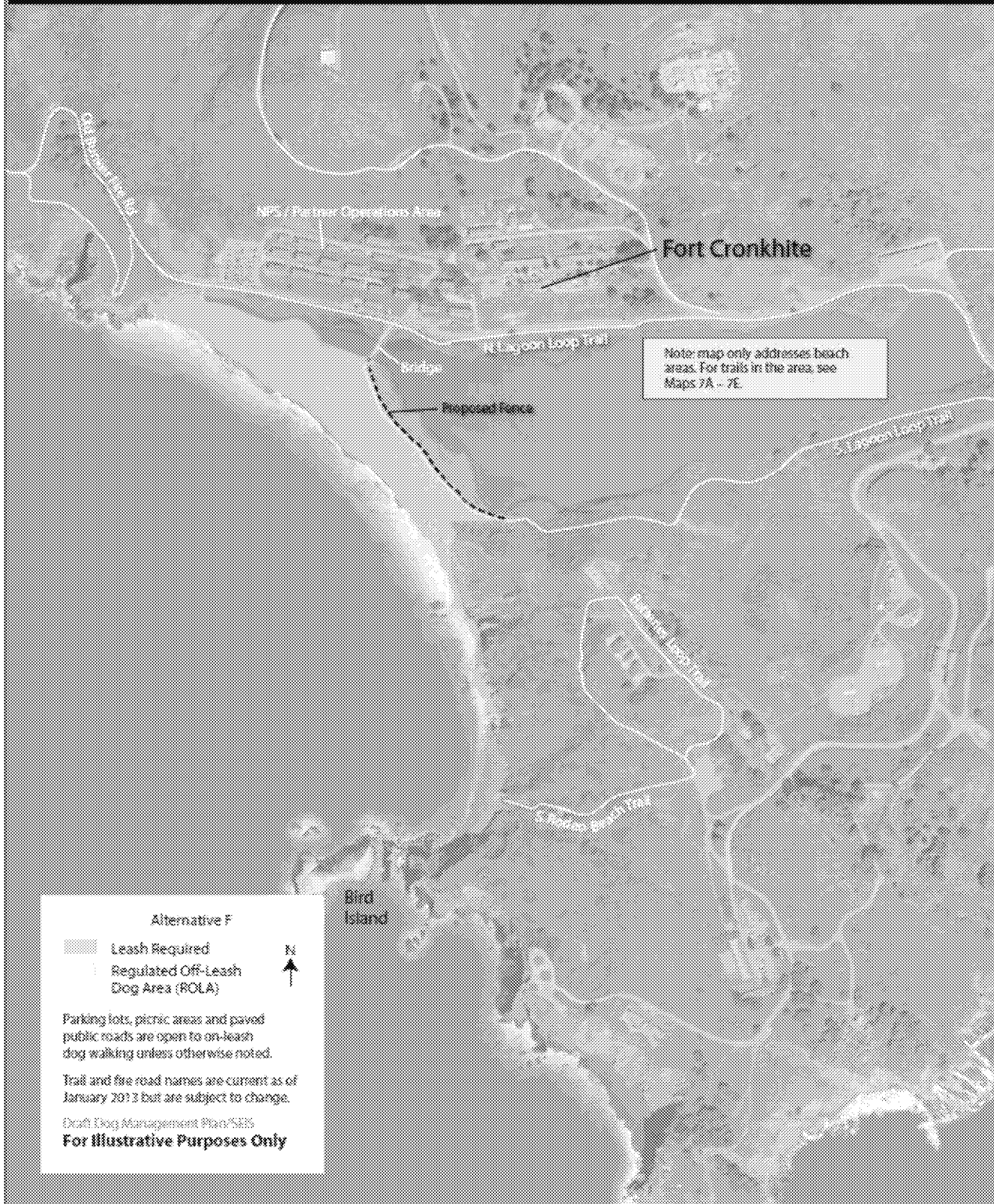


Figure 2c: Preferred Alternative for Rodeo Beach from SEIS.

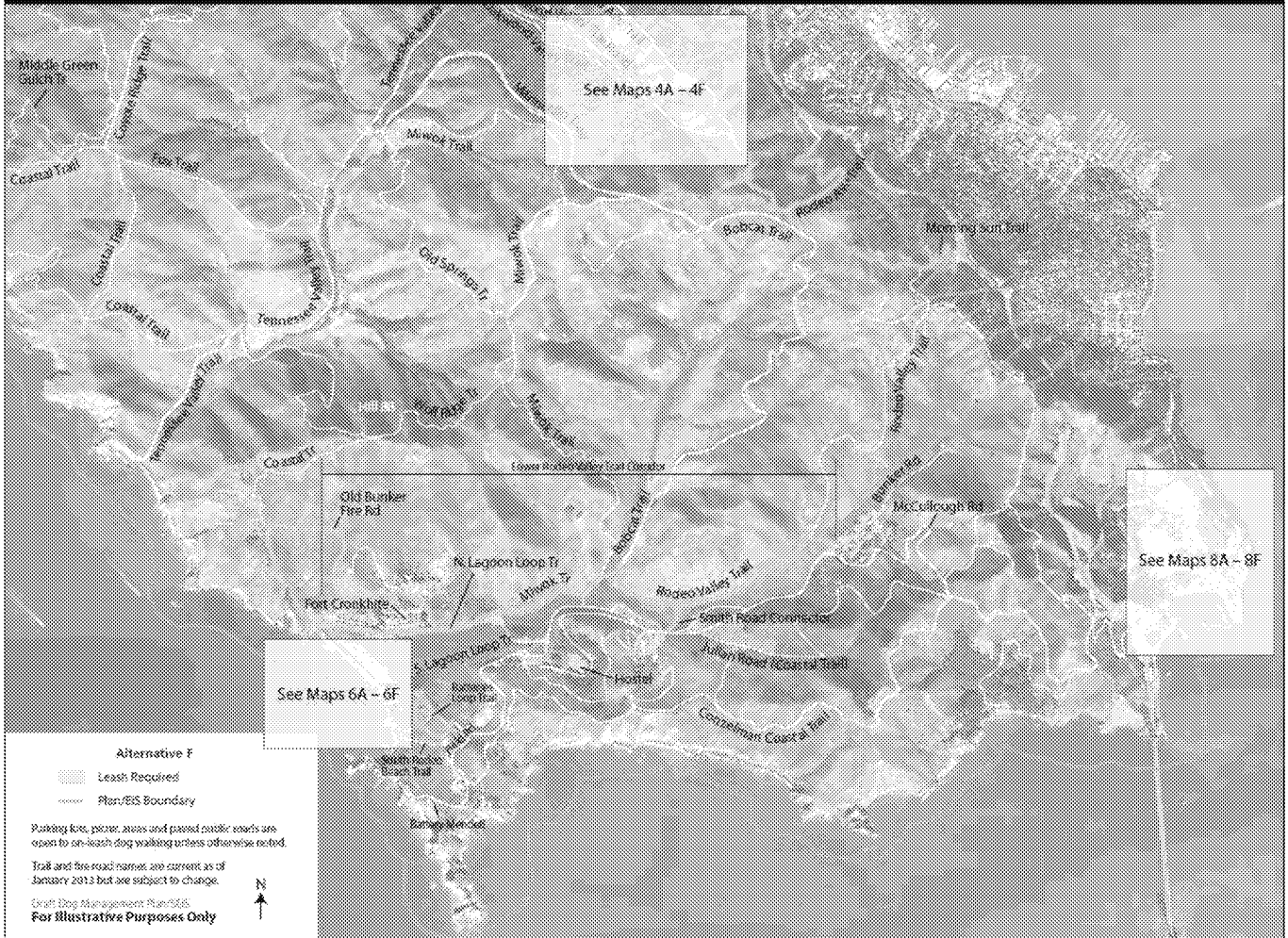


Figure 2d: Preferred Alternative for Marin Headlands from SEIS.

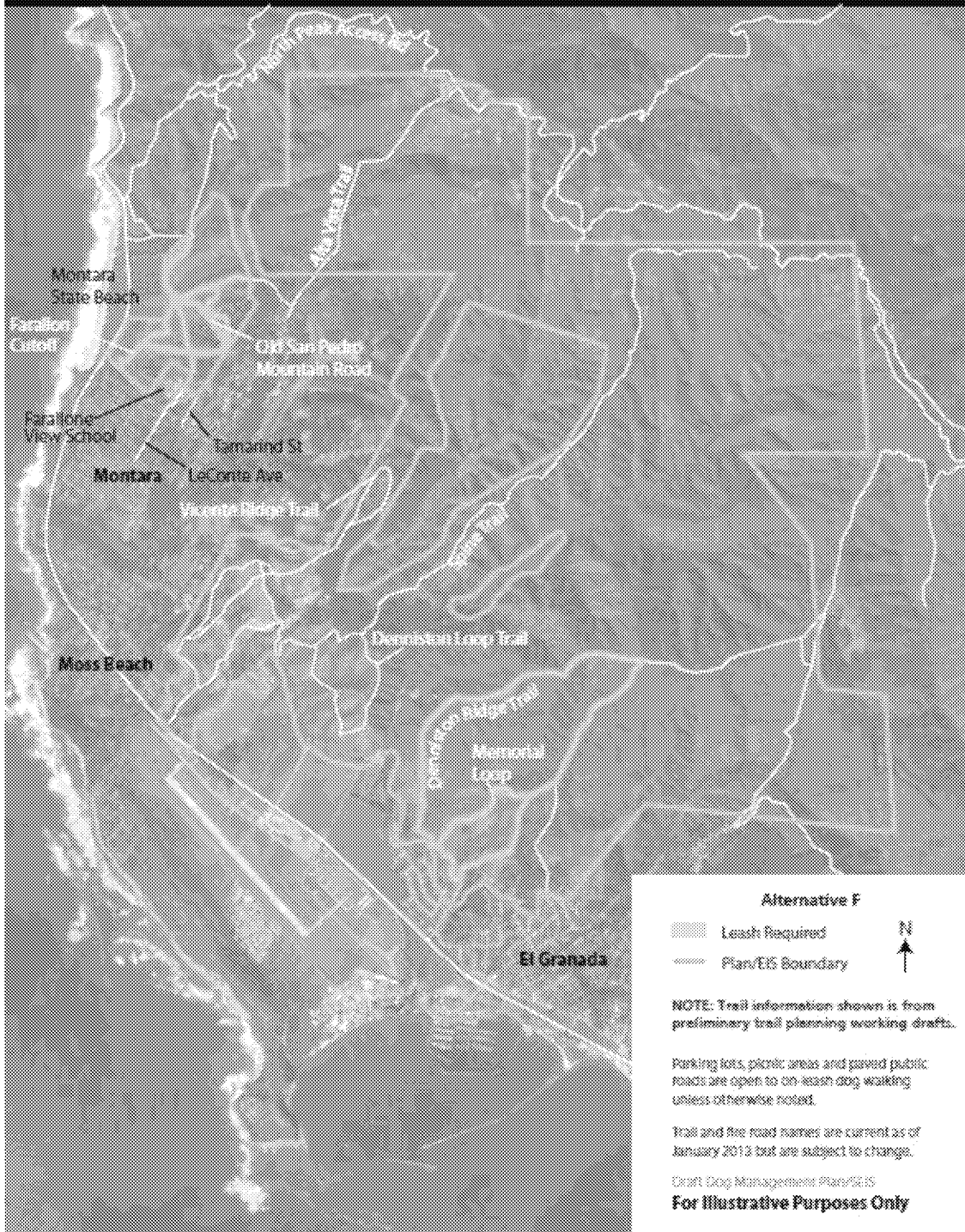


Figure 2e: Preferred Alternative for Rancho Corral de Tierra from SEIS.

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**From:** Bennett, Susan [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
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**Subject:** Re: Pacifica dog use

Hi,

I defer to Daphne, Bill, and Darren, but I can say that some of the Mori trails you listed are fairly remote and unmaintained. There was an overall desire to keep dog walking close to the peripheries of the park sites, adjacent to developed areas. Because the Tmigtac Trail doesn't fit that criteria, and because it's mostly a very steep single track trail where it'd be very difficult to avoid other user groups, it was not selected for on-leash use in the preferred alternative. I also believe we wanted to offer a variety of experiences (both for dog walkers and for people who wanted an outdoor experience without dogs), so some trailheads, like Upper Mori Trail, were not selected for on-leash dog use--especially when adjacent and similar trails (like Old Mori Road) supported on-leash dog use. Hope that helps!

-Susie

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On Tue, Jan 7, 2014 at 4:25 PM, Christine B. Carey <[cbcarey@nps.gov](mailto:cbcarey@nps.gov)> wrote:

Thanks, Daphne!

Bill and Darren - anything to add?

thx

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On Tue, Jan 7, 2014 at 4:22 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Re. Pedro Pt. - there has been extensive restoration throughout Pedro Pt and it is an undeveloped piece of coastal habitat contiguous with other undeveloped wildlands to the south. It is a high wildlife and habitat value area that is still recovering from its past history of use by off road dirt bikes/motorcycles. We expect that habitat restoration would continue into the future throughout the site, except through the eucalyptus grove where the coastal trail is located. I'm not sure about rare plants there - Susie might know. The desire to provide a range of visitor experiences was also a factor at Pedro.

At Mori, I'd have to see a map of the trails to know which ones these are. Susie would know. We definitely considered on-leash for all of the trails at Mori but given the SFGS and CRLF present at the site, the extensive restoration, and the desire to provide opportunities for a variety of visitor experiences, the preferred alternative limited dogs to the main access trails. There is also a desire to improve wildlife habitat values (e.g. for coyotes, birds, etc.) by having areas less influenced by the presence of dogs (ditto for Pedro).

Hope that helps. You might see if Bill Merkle or Darren have anything to add if needed. I'm not sure if Susie was part of these discussions or not, her main input was at Rancho.

Daphne

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On Tue, Jan 7, 2014 at 3:54 PM, Christine B. Carey <[cbc Carey@nps.gov](mailto:cbc Carey@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Daphne and Susie

I am meeting with the GGNRA Liaison Committee tomorrow evening, and one of the agenda items is to review their final comments on the SEIS for the Dog Plan. There were a few questions they had about why certain trails were considered or not, and I'm hoping you can help clarify. Shirwin and I went through most already but still had a few outstanding questions.

1. Mori Point - were Timigtac Trail, Upper Mori Trail, and Mori Headlands Trail considered for on-leash? If so, why were they dismissed?
2. Pedro Point - were Middle Ridge, Arroyo and/or South Ridge Trails considered? If so, why were they dismissed? The SEIS indicates sensitive chaparral habitat, safety issues along ridge and potential CRLF/SFGS in the valley. Other reasons?

Anything you can share is greatly appreciated!

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**From:** Fong, Darren [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
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**CC:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Michael Edwards [Michael\_B\_Edwards@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Dog letter to NMFS

Hi Frank, thanks for reviewing and signing the informal consultation letter for NMFS. To answer your questions, Crissy Field and Ocean Beach maps and description of actions were not included in our letter to NMFS. Only those sites that had a nexus with salmon habitat were included in the letter. Re: the current configuration of Muir Beach parking vs. what was shown on the map-- we had a brief discussion about this. I think the maps were for illustrative purposes and not intended to show exact locations. Let us know if you have any further questions. Thanks! Darren

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
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**To:** Sunil Rajappa [sunil\_rajappa@partner.nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: You see - I'm not crazy.

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**From:** Frick, William <bill\_frick@nps.gov>  
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**Subject:** You see - I'm not crazy.  
**To:** William Merkle <bill\_merkle@nps.gov>

To the shock of naturalists and bird watchers, a flock of threatened western snowy plovers has taken up residence on one of the Bay Area's busiest beaches. For the past few months, since the East Bay Regional Park District dumped 82,000 cubic yards of new sand on the beach, the fist-size shorebirds have been skittering across the dunes and pecking at bugs, oblivious to the frolicking hordes around them. [...] if the birds decide to stay and nest at Crown Beach this spring, their offspring are highly unlikely to survive, creating what scientists call a "biological sink." For now, the district is keeping an eye on the birds and hope they head south to the Hayward shoreline, a favorite nesting spot for the Bay Area's snowy plovers, by March. Steer clear of birds They're also working with Audubon volunteers to encourage the public to steer clear of the shorebirds, which have been congregating near the intersection of Shoreline Drive and Harbor Light Road, usually in the morning. People and plovers also share space at Crissy Field and Ocean Beach in San Francisco, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area bans off-leash dogs when snowy plovers are present, July through May. In Berkeley, a colony of burrowing owls moved in to busy Cesar Chavez Park at the waterfront, prompting the city and Audubon volunteers to set aside the owl area with signs, advising the public to leave the owls alone.

Message

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/10/2015 10:51:00 AM  
**To:** Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** visitor and dog monitoring update

Hi,

Just wanted to give you quick update.

I had meeting with Mike S. and Sharon this week to discuss Phase II of the camera project, putting cameras in Redwood Creek Watershed and how it may relate to Mike's visitor monitoring needs. We determined that Mike's needs are different, so we would do camera design with our PI and not need to include his needs (we still will have some ability to look at wildlife use in the area with people as we get more data).

Mike also was talking with Sharon about needing to set up a program to start visitor monitoring this summer. Apparently, he will post for a GS-12 program lead very soon. And he is looking for Sharon to hire 7-9 people to implement the pilot program. All this is going to be coordinated with the dog management monitoring program, with staff shared between these programs. As we left the meeting Sharon said she was very confused about where these programs were going and whether there was money. I let her know that I am confused too.

I think the visitor monitoring protocols have been developed by that guy from YOSE, and Mike indicated that he is sending them out for peer review. This program seems much more straight forward than the dog monitoring; counting People At One Time, visitor encounter transect at MUWO, soundscape which Natural Sounds is lead on.

Mike is now looking to get a more local PI to lead the development of the dog monitoring program. Stu Weiss name came up. I think Stu is a great scientist -- and he was science lead for the Upland Goals project -- I just don't think he is the right guy to get us to an efficient program. I think we probably should find someone who could get us to a really solid compliance based monitoring program, and then we could identify some opportunities (?) for relatively simple resource monitoring (my fear here is that it probably will need to be pretty extensive to say anything meaningful).

I guess I am concerned that this train seems to be leaving the station and I don't think we are in agreement about where it is going.

Thinking that we need to be more involved, but don't know how this happens.

-Bill

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Re: Endangered Species Act Section 7(a)(2) Concurrence Letter for the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) Draft Dog Management Plan / Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

Dear Mr. Dean:

On January 29, 2014, NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) received your request for a written concurrence that the Golden Gate National Recreation Area's (GGNRA) implementing of its Draft Dog Management Plan, described as the preferred alternative in GGNRA's Dog Management Plan Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), is not likely to adversely affect (NLAA) species listed as threatened or endangered or critical habitats designated under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This response to your request was prepared by NMFS pursuant to section 7(a)(2) of the ESA, implementing regulations at 50 CFR 402, and agency guidance for preparation of letters of concurrence.

NMFS also reviewed the proposed action for potential effects on essential fish habitat (EFH) designated under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA), including conservation measures and any determination you made regarding the potential effects of the action. This review was pursuant to section 305(b) of the MSA, implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920, and agency guidance for use of the ESA consultation process to complete EFH consultation. In this case, NMFS concluded the action would not adversely affect EFH. Thus, consultation under the MSA is not required for this action.

This letter underwent pre-dissemination review using standards for utility, integrity, and objectivity in compliance with applicable guidelines issued under the Data Quality Act (section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001, Public Law 106-554). The concurrence letter will be available through NMFS' Public Consultation Tracking System ([ HYPERLINK "https://pcts.nmfs.noaa.gov/pcts-web/homepage.pcts" ])<sup>1</sup>. A complete record of this consultation is on file at NMFS' North Central California Office in Santa Rosa, California.

### **Proposed Action, Action Agency Effect Determination, and Action Area**

NMFS has reviewed the information provided with GGNRA's letter of January 29, 2014, including the associated documents, and the SEIS. The purpose of the proposed action is to adopt and implement a dog management plan that would provide a clear, enforceable policy, determining the manner and extent of dog use in areas of the GGNRA. The proposed action for this consultation includes 21 locations within the Park. Of the 21 locations, only five overlap

**Comment [FRR1]:** Check number.

<sup>1</sup> Once on the PCTS homepage, use the following PCTS tracking number within the Quick Search column: WCR-2014-299, or search for the project by name: SMART IOS Airport to Santa Rosa.

with the known distribution of Central California Coast (CCC) coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) and CCC steelhead (*O. mykiss*). The five locations include Muir Beach (Redwood Creek), Stinson Beach (Easkoot Creek), Rodeo Beach (Rodeo Lagoon), Marin Headlands (Rodeo and Gerbode creeks), and Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini creeks). The remaining 17 locations are outside the known distribution of CCC coho salmon and CCC steelhead, and the effects of dog use in these locations are localized and will not result in adverse effects to listed anadromous salmonids. Therefore, this consultation is limited to the proposed actions at Stinson Beach, Muir Beach, the Marin Headlands, and Rodeo Beach, and Rancho Corral de Tierra, which are detailed further below.

Comment [FRR2]: ?

- Muir Beach (Redwood Creek) – Proposed action would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking on the area of beach between the ocean and the lagoon, and on the trail adjacent the lower one-fourth mile of Redwood Creek. GGNRA has determined this portion of the action is NLAA because the potential for dogs to access creek or lagoon habitat is discountable. First off, dogs will not, by law, be allowed within Redwood Creek or its lagoon. Furthermore, dogs are required to be physically restrained on leash at all times, and dog walking areas and the creek/lagoon habitat will be separated by fencing.
- Stinson Beach - The proposed action would authorize on-leash dog walking within the designated parking lots and picnic areas at Stinson Beach, but only if the owner has clear, concise direction of the dog. Easkoot Creek, which drains to Stinson Beach, is known to support a small population of CCC steelhead. Easkoot Creek is densely vegetated, channelized, and flows parallel and adjacent to the parking lot at Stinson Beach. GGNRA considers the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect listed fish or habitat in Easkoot Creek because dogs are unlikely to enter the creek or riparian habitat
- Marin Headlands - The proposed action would allow on-leash dog walking along trails that are adjacent to or cross over Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek. Dogs on these trails must remain physically restrained by their walkers at all times. The proposed action would limit dog walking to trails designated by the GGNRA and would prohibit dogs from using or entering Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek. However, dogs and dog walkers are authorized to cross the creeks at existing crossings that have been approved by the GGNRA. GGNRA has determined that the proposed action in the Marin Headlands Trails is not likely to adversely affect listed salmon or steelhead, or their habitat, because dog walkers will prevent their dogs from entering the water by physically restraining them with a leash. Thus, dog access into Rodeo Creek and Gerbode Creek, or riparian habitat adjacent to the creeks, is unlikely to occur.
- Rodeo Beach - The proposed action would allow on-leash dog walking on the wooden footbridge over Rodeo Lagoon. Beyond the bridge, dogs would be allowed to roam off leash on Rodeo Beach, provided they remain under voice and sight control at all times. Dogs entering Rodeo Lagoon would be prohibited under the proposed action. GGNRA has determined that the proposed action at Rodeo Beach is not likely to adversely affect listed steelhead, or its habitat, because steelhead are only found during brief winter migration events due to poor water quality.
- Rancho Corral de Tierra – The proposed action would allow the presence of on-leash dog walking on a few trails in the lower Denniston Creek watershed, all of which are located

a sizeable distance from Denniston and Martini creeks (a tributary of Denniston Creek). Dog access into the creeks is prohibited under the proposed action. Furthermore, dense riparian vegetation between the trail and creek channels would likely preclude non-compliant dog access. For these reasons, GGNRA has determined the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect listed fish or habitat at the Rancho Corral de Tierra portion of the GGNRA.

The action area for the Project encompasses the following stream sections and lagoons:

- Easkoot Creek (Stinson Beach): stream and associated riparian corridor between approximately 37.897727°, -122.639870° and 37.898806°, -122.642603°.
- Redwood Creek (Muir Beach) and Lagoon: lagoon, stream and associated riparian corridor from approximately 37.860447°, -122.574534° downstream to the Pacific Ocean.
- Marin Headlands: the section of Rodeo Lagoon directly adjacent to the sand spit separating the lagoon from the Pacific Ocean, and Rodeo Creek and associated riparian corridor from the lagoon upstream to 37.837911°, -122.503593°. Also, Gerbode Creek and associated riparian corridor from its confluence with Rodeo Creek upstream to 37.840176°, -122.516249°.
- Rancho Corral de Tierra (Denniston and Martini creeks): the section of Denniston Creek and associated riparian corridor from xxxx, xxxx to xxxx, xxxx; and Martinin Creek and associated riparian corridor from xxxx, xxxx to xxxx, xxxx.

**Comment [FRR3]:** Darren: could you fill in the coordinates for the action area for Denniston and Martini Creek. The maps sent with your consultation request don't show the trail structure, so I couldn't estimate the coordinates of the trail system that were adjacent to the creeks.

Available information indicates the following listed species under the jurisdiction of NMFS may be affected by the proposed project:

**Central California Coast (CCC) coho salmon Evolutionarily Significant Unit (ESU)**

Endangered (70 FR 37160; June 28, 2005)  
Critical habitat designated (64 FR 24049; May 5, 1999)

**CCC steelhead Distinct Population Segment (DPS)**

Threatened (71 FR 834; January 5, 2006)  
Critical habitat (70 FR 52488; September 2, 2005);

The life history of steelhead is summarized in Busby *et al.* (1996) and coho salmon life history is summarized in Weitkamp *et al.* (1996). Within the action area, primary constituent elements of designated critical habitat for steelhead and essential habitat features for coho salmon include water quality and quantity, foraging habitat, natural cover including large substrate and aquatic vegetation, and migratory corridors free of obstructions.

The Corps has determined that the proposed action is unlikely to adversely affect each of these species and their critical habitats because: 1) dogs will not be allowed within any streams or lagoons identified within the Plan and 2) on most trails, leashed dogs have little chance of leaving the trail, traversing a thick riparian corridor, and entering stream habitat.

**Effects of the Action**

Under the ESA, "effects of the action" means the direct and indirect effects of an action on the listed species or critical habitat, together with the effects of other activities that are interrelated or interdependent with that action (50 CFR 402.02). The applicable standard to find that a

proposed action is not likely to adversely affect listed species or critical habitat is that all of the effects of the action are expected to be discountable, insignificant, or completely beneficial. Beneficial effects are contemporaneous positive effects without any adverse effects to the species or critical habitat. Insignificant effects relate to the size of the impact and should never reach the scale where take occurs. Discountable effects are those extremely unlikely to occur.

At almost all dog walking sites that overlap with anadromous salmonid habitat in GGNRA, dogs will be leashed, and thus unable to access riparian or instream habitat. The one exception is Rodeo Lagoon, where off-leash walking is permitted (however, like the rest of the park, dogs are not allowed within the creek or lagoon). At Rodeo Lagoon, post-and-cable fence would be installed to deter dogs from gaining access to Rodeo Lagoon. The fence alone is not effective in being a complete barrier to dogs. While the proposed action prohibits dogs from entering Rodeo Lagoon, it is possible that some dogs will gain access to the water because dog walkers will choose not to physically restrain their dogs. However, data collected in 2007 and 2008 from NPS Law Enforcement staff indicates that only one citation was made, but no warnings or reports were filed regarding dogs entering closed areas at Rodeo Beach (*e.g.*, Rodeo Lagoon). Therefore, NMFS anticipates that few dogs will gain access to habitat in Rodeo Lagoon. Should dogs gain access to Rodeo Lagoon, NMFS expects the disturbance caused by their presence to be isolated and temporary, because dog walkers are expected to respond quickly and take corrective action to get their dog(s) out of the closed area (*i.e.*, Rodeo Lagoon). The potential effects of a few dogs gaining access to Rodeo Lagoon include brief and negligible increases in turbidity and the potential for depositing excrement in the Lagoon.

### **Conclusion**

Based on this analysis, NMFS concurs with the Corps that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect the subject listed species and designated critical habitats.

Reinitiation of consultation is required and shall be requested by the Corps or by NMFS, where discretionary Federal involvement or control over the action has been retained or is authorized by law and (1) new information reveals effects of the action that may affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not previously considered; (2) the identified action is subsequently modified in a manner that causes an effect to the listed species or critical habitat that was not considered in this concurrence letter; or if (3) a new species is listed or critical habitat designated that may be affected by the identified action (50 CFR 402.16). This concludes the ESA portion of this consultation.

Please direct questions regarding this letter to Mr. Rick Rogers of our North Central California Office at (707) 578-8552.

Sincerely,

William W. Stelle, Jr.  
Acting Regional Administrator

cc. Bryan Matsumoto, Corps SF  
Bill Gamlen, SMART  
ARN# 151422SWR2014SR00022



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**Subject: Draft Agenda for Dog Mgt Plan Coordination mtg.**

(Thursday, 12/17: 10:30-12PM); Location: Supt office

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**A. Update on Interim Commercial Dogwalking (10:30-11:15)**

-CDW interim: discussion protocols for violations (Noemi, Katie, all)

-LE/USPP field reports & follow-up (Xavier, Pam/Colleen)

**B. Rule Follow-up (11:15-11:40)**

-Status of proposed rule & surnaming process (Mike)

-status of econ analyses (Michael)

**C. Communications (11:40-12)**

-Status of Communications Plan (Howard)

-Strategic Communications Issues (Howard, Adrienne)

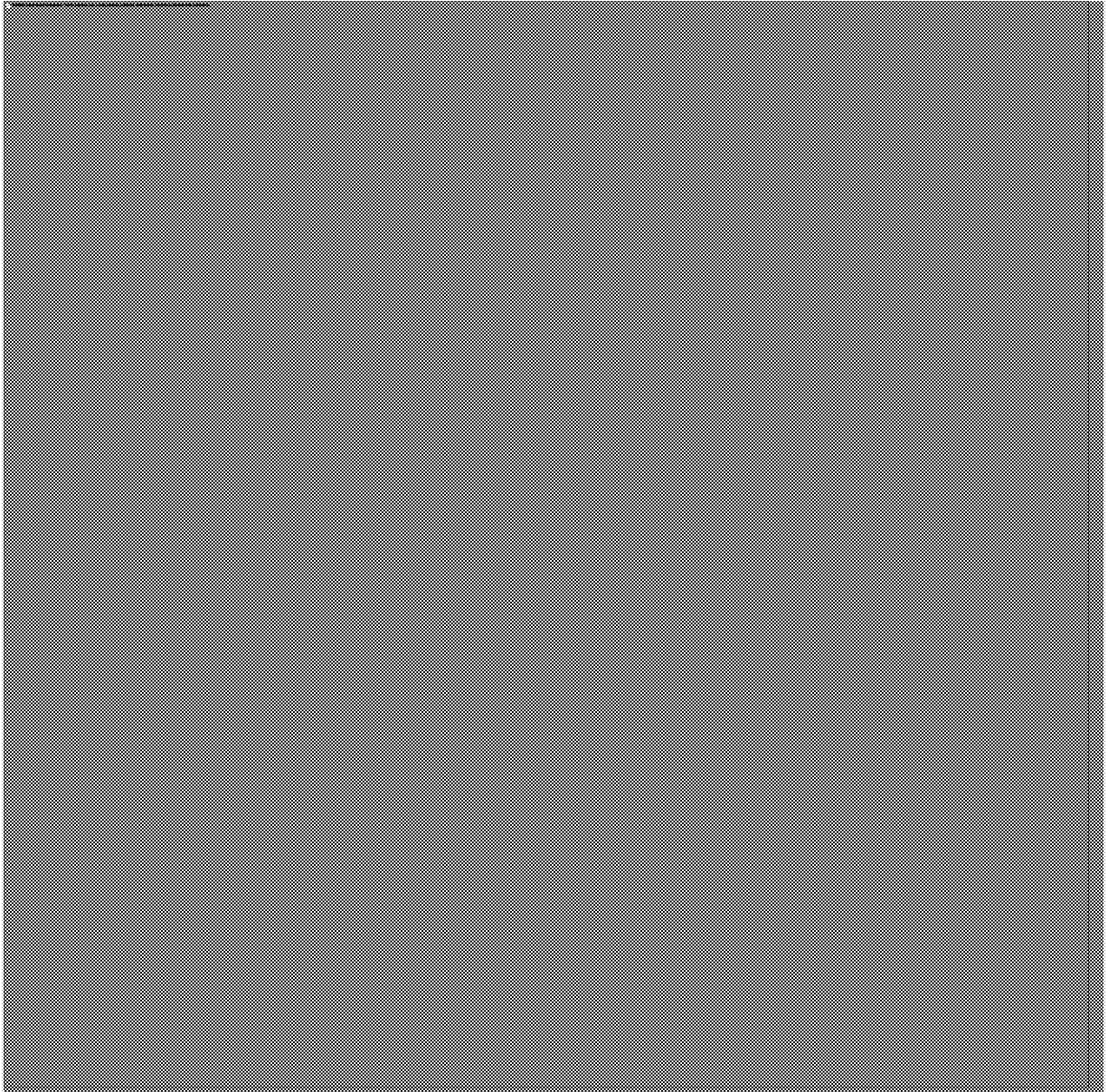
-Staffing support? -interns; media support (Howard, Mike)

Message

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**From:** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [brian\_aviles@nps.ccsend.com]  
**on behalf of** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [goga\_planning@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/14/2014 5:01:37 PM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Commercial Dog Walking in GGNRA and Presidio

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**Commercial Dog Walking in GGNRA**

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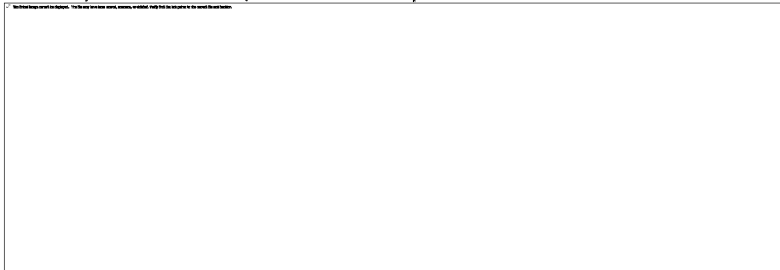


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Dear Park Friend,

Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA), together with the Presidio Trust, intend to establish an interim permit requirement for commercial dog walkers walking four or more dogs at one time, with a limit of 6 dogs, on GGNRA lands in Marin and San Francisco Counties, and in the Presidio of San Francisco. This proposal is in response to the recent ordinances limiting the number of dogs allowed per commercial dog walker passed by the City of San Francisco, and the Town of Tiburon. This interim permit requirement would remain in effect until a final special regulation addressing dog walking and commercial dog walking in GGNRA, is finalized, which is expected in late 2015.



### Permit Details

Permit holders would be able to use any GGNRA and Trust lands where dog walking is allowed. On GGNRA Marin and San Francisco lands, permit holders would continue to be able to walk dogs off leash and under voice control in areas currently open to voice control per the 1979 Pet Policy.

The annual permit cost would consist of a \$75.00 application fee and a \$300 per person fee for a non-transferable badge. Badges must be visibly displayed when commercial dog walkers are within GGNRA boundaries.

### Implementation

The Compendium Amendment is expected to be signed by the General Superintendent following this notification period.

### Questions/Concerns/Comment

Between now and April 14, 2014, questions, comments or concerns can be addressed to the Superintendent by mail to:

National Park Service  
Golden Gate National Recreation Area  
Attn: Commercial Dog Walking  
Fort Mason, Building 201  
San Francisco, CA 94123

Or, online:

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/commercialdogwalking>

- 1) Click the "Document List" link on the left side
- 2) Select the link "Interim Compendium Amendment for Commercial Dog Walking"

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GGNRA website at  
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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/16/2014 4:32:04 PM  
**To:** Sifuentes-Winter, Jonathan [jonathan\_sifuentes-winter@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Suspense: Newly hatched goslings

appreciate it!

Daphne

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[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)

On Wed, Apr 16, 2014 at 4:30 PM, Sifuentes-Winter, Jonathan <[jonathan\\_sifuentes-winter@nps.gov](mailto:jonathan_sifuentes-winter@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Will look at this tomorrow afternoon and contact Susan to let her know that we are looking into it.

Thanks,  
Coty

Jonathan "Coty" Sifuentes-Winter  
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GOGA: [Fort Baker](#)

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On Tue, Apr 15, 2014 at 2:12 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Coty-

Hmmm. Fort Baker. Hmmm, I'm delegating followup on this to you. Thank you!!! Happy to consult as needed.

Please keep me posted on actions, contacts that you take/make. I'd suggest scoping it out and coming up with some ideas that we might be able to implement in a timely manner and then giving her a call to let her know what we're doing. When people provide a phone # and email, that's always easier than writing a letter.

Thanks!  
Daphne

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From: **GOGA Superintendent, NPS** <[goga\\_superintendent@nps.gov](mailto:goga_superintendent@nps.gov)>  
Date: Tue, Apr 15, 2014 at 10:10 AM  
Subject: Suspense: Newly hatched goslings  
To: Daphne Hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>

Action Person: Daphne Hatch  
Suspense 14-6.5  
Reply Due: April 28, 2014

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From: **Susan Forrest** <[sforrest345@nps.gov](mailto:sforrest345@nps.gov)> **Ex. 6**  
Date: Mon, Apr 14, 2014 at 5:28 PM  
Subject: Newly hatched goslings  
To: [goga\\_superintendent@nps.gov](mailto:goga_superintendent@nps.gov)

Dear Mr. Dean,

I've been photographing the gosling families who fly in, usually late February, for 5 years—they are there to mate and lay their eggs and hatch them, then raise them at the little beach across from the coast guard station. And every year, on April 14, the first ones appear. I went there today specifically to see them—and saw the first—3 goslings. In the next few days there will be more—other pairs of geese. Usually there aren't more than 1 or 2 other pairs who lay on the eggs and hatch them, all within a week.

The parents are fierce in their devotion to their broods, and every year but for last, ALL survive. They have been clever in hiding their nests.

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As I watched them from a distance and photographed them with my long lens, a tourist bus—"hop on hop off" pulled up and people tumbled out to take pictures of each other, and then returned to the bus." I don't know how many times a day this happens, but I would guess a lot. The goslings were too small for the travelers to see, but once they do, and/or the drivers see them, they'll be on them like a hot rock.

I'm writing to you to ask if that beach can somehow be left for the geese to raise their young—it has the only fresh water source I'm aware of.

And, even if there are people on the beach they ease their broods up the right side of the beach to drink that water. Is there any way the stairs down to that beach be posted and closed to the public for a few months until the goslings are less fragile? As a national park, wildlife is so important for all of us. If it is killed or chased away by

thousands of people...then what do we have?

Here are the problems I see for the Canadian Geese this year.

1. The Exploratorium brings their little children to the beach several times a day.
2. Families with children and dogs use the beach—car loads of them.
3. The many tourists who come on buses and pile out.
4. Sometimes, a person with a preschool will take her kids and their parents on the beach during the summer. She says this is a way for her kids to learn to be careful-  
With young kids wood and stones are thrown, things are kicked and often the parents or supervisors don't register the danger for the goslings.
5. There are a lot of unleashed dogs. Once several years ago, the coast guard guys were taking their dog(s) urging them "to go get them"  
until my friend spoke to someone like you and it stopped.
6. There are now so many bicyclists—they often come in big groups....

There was a several park rangers there today and several park police. They were all concerned and had a theory about dogs and gulls and other predators killing the goslings every year. I haunt that area most days until the geese families leave in mass, in late August, and when the goslings are big. Until last year each gosling survived. Last year, not one of 10-14 goslings survived—they disappeared.

You have a tremendous responsibility; I have a great deal of respect for you and know the difficult task you have.

If you've gotten this far, I want to thank you....and to show you a few photographs of the gosling from today and from other years.

The first is one from today.

Sincerely, Susan Forrest . Ex. 6 Personal Information e. Sausalito, Ca. 94965 Exemption 6

Gosling naping...Day 1 April 14, 2014



Message

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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/18/2014 11:40:34 AM  
**To:** Fong, Darren [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: GGNRA dog plan consultaiton

I don't think there will be any further changes near salmonid streams.

Daphne

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On Fri, Apr 18, 2014 at 11:39 AM, Fong, Darren <[darren\\_fong@nps.gov](mailto:darren_fong@nps.gov)> wrote:

Daphne, do you think that there will be any changes to the preferred alt near salmonid streams in the near future? If not, I'll respond back to Rick. Thanks! D

Darren Fong  
Aquatic Ecologist  
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From: **Rick Rogers - NOAA Federal** <[rick.rogers@noaa.gov](mailto:rick.rogers@noaa.gov)>  
Date: Fri, Apr 18, 2014 at 10:59 AM  
Subject: Re: GGNRA dog plan consultaiton  
To: "Fong, Darren" <[darren\\_fong@nps.gov](mailto:darren_fong@nps.gov)>

hi darren,

thanks for the update....does this mean you'd like to re-engage the consultation and finish it up? please confirm, and I'll work on finishing up the LOC.

cheers,

rick

On Tue, Apr 15, 2014 at 10:03 AM, Fong, Darren <[darren\\_fong@nps.gov](mailto:darren_fong@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi Rick, I just wanted to circle back on the issue of possible changes to the preferred alt that could affect salmonid resources. Bill is out, but I spoke with Daphne who was present at the recent dog meetings. There is a small change to the preferred alt at Rancho Corral de Tierra, but the change is not located near or adjacent to any of the salmonid streams. Thanks for being patient with us. Thanks! Darren

Darren Fong  
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On Mon, Mar 31, 2014 at 2:49 PM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi Rick,

I guess I didn't communicate this quite correctly. Right now we have pressure from legislators to explore more areas for off leash and on leash dogwalking. This could mean us potentially changing our Final EIS. (Ultimately if they are not pleased it could mean they introduce legislation--but this is not pending right now)

I think the main area that affects salmonids would be the potential for having off leash dogs at Muir Beach.

As noted, we will likely be making decisions on this later this week--and will keep you posted.

Thank you, Bill

Bill Merkle, Ph.D.  
Wildlife Ecologist  
Golden Gate National Recreation Area  
[415-289-1843](tel:415-289-1843)

On Mon, Mar 31, 2014 at 2:13 PM, Rick Rogers - NOAA Federal <[rick.rogers@noaa.gov](mailto:rick.rogers@noaa.gov)> wrote:

hi darren and bill,

wanted to summarize our call this morning concerning the GGNRA Dog Management Plan consultation. You relayed this morning that legislation may be coming that could potentially change the proposed action (e.g., open more areas to off-leash dog walking), so we all agreed that suspending the consultation until more details emerge is the prudent move at this time. I will await to hear from you once you receive that information, and we will restart consultation at that time. Please let me know if my understanding of our call, as detailed above, is in error.

cheers,

rick

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**Rick Rogers**  
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**From:** Edwards, Michael [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/7/2016 9:48:36 AM  
**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Dog Management Proposed Rule Communications Plan and link to stakeholders spreadsheet

That's helpful, thanks Daphne.

Michael B. Edwards  
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Environmental Protection Specialist  
Environmental Quality Division, Planning & Compliance Branch  
WASO-NRSS  
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On Thu, Jan 7, 2016 at 10:15 AM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hi Mike,

I don't believe we heard from RWQCB re. Crissy Field, and the TMDL staff are different than those that would have commented on Muir Beach/Redwood Creek issues. I would not get alarmed about this in any way, but I do think including RWQCB and SFPUC in agency briefings (Jan O'Hara who is drafting the TMDL for Crissy and SFPUC is heavily involved as well) is appropriate. There is no data to specifically implicate dogs in the water quality issues at East Beach but we have informed Jan O'Hara that our preferred alternative has no dogs on East Beach, which could potentially improve water quality in that location. There is also an outfall in that area that combines Crissy stormwater with City stormwater from the Palace of Fine Arts (and its ponds often full of birds) that could be a contributor to the water quality issues there. The beach water quality monitoring is not adequate to identify specific sources. Anyway, we did let Jan O'Hara know that our preferred alternative could help improve water quality there, but nothing definitive. Her draft TMDL will likely mention this proposed action by NPS, but I would not expect them to comment on the proposed rule. Kristen and Brian are most familiar with the beach water quality testing and results. I don't think we think dog waste is the issue when there is poor beach water quality, but the data is not definitive.

Hope that helps. Brian and Kristen are most in the loop on the draft TMDL and past beach water quality issues.

Daphne

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On Thu, Jan 7, 2016 at 9:00 AM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Had we ever gotten input from Regional Water Quality Control Board before on dog mgt plan DEIS or SEIS? I know they had input on Redwood Creek WA and concerns about water quality in the creek, but had never heard about Crissy field.

Mike

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From: **Michael B. Edwards** <[michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov)>  
Date: Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 5:11 PM  
Subject: Re: Dog Management Proposed Rule Communications Plan and link to stakeholders spreadsheet  
To: "Savidge, Michael" <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>

This is the first I've heard of this issue from GOGA staff. May be worth checking in with Daphne. I would dispute this assessment based on what we've been told by park staff in the past. I don't believe we received any DEIS or SEIS comments from them. Who does Brian work for?

On Jan 6, 2016, at 5:36 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:  
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From: **Levitt, Howard** <[howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov)>  
Date: Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 3:11 PM  
Subject: Re: Dog Management Proposed Rule Communications Plan and link to stakeholders spreadsheet  
To: "Ullensvang, Brian" <[brian\\_ullensvang@nps.gov](mailto:brian_ullensvang@nps.gov)>, Michael Savidge <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>

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Thanks, Brian. Mike, did the RWQB provided any comments on the DEIS or SEIS? Seems like they may be late to the party with an action that could potentially affect our analysis and decision. Howard

On Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 2:43 PM, Ullensvang, Brian <[brian\\_ullensvang@nps.gov](mailto:brian_ullensvang@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Mike & Howard-

I suggest that you add the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) and SF PUC to your agency briefing list. The RWQCB is currently working to establish a pathogen TMDL for the Crissy Beach area of the park which will establish a number of elements that will be required of the NPS, Trust, and SF PUC regarding control of ecoli and other pathogens found in the bay water above action levels. The RWQCB has been monitoring our dog planning carefully as pet waste may be a significant contributor to the problem. The draft TMDL is proposed to be issued this month. My contact at the RWQCB on this issue is Jan O'Hara at 510-622-5681 or [Janet.O'Hara@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Janet.O'Hara@waterboards.ca.gov) .

Brian

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From: **De Pedro, Kimiko** <[kimiko\\_depedro@nps.gov](mailto:kimiko_depedro@nps.gov)>

Date: Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 1:30 PM

Subject: Fwd: Dog Management Proposed Rule Communications Plan and link to stakeholders spreadsheet

To: Aaron Roth <[aaron\\_roth@nps.gov](mailto:aaron_roth@nps.gov)>, Abby Sue Fisher <[abby\\_sue\\_fisher@nps.gov](mailto:abby_sue_fisher@nps.gov)>, Alexandra Picavet <[alexandra\\_picavet@nps.gov](mailto:alexandra_picavet@nps.gov)>, Brian Aviles <[brian\\_aviles@nps.gov](mailto:brian_aviles@nps.gov)>, Brian Ullensvang <[brian\\_ullensvang@nps.gov](mailto:brian_ullensvang@nps.gov)>, Carey Feierabend <[carey\\_feierabend@nps.gov](mailto:carey_feierabend@nps.gov)>, Christine Lehnertz <[chris\\_lehnertz@nps.gov](mailto:chris_lehnertz@nps.gov)>, Daphne Hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>, Gerald Scheumann <[jerry\\_scheumann@nps.gov](mailto:jerry_scheumann@nps.gov)>, Jennifer Treutelaar <[jennifer\\_treutelaar@nps.gov](mailto:jennifer_treutelaar@nps.gov)>, Jessica Carter <[jessica\\_carter@nps.gov](mailto:jessica_carter@nps.gov)>, Michael Savidge <[Michael\\_J\\_Savidge@nps.gov](mailto:Michael_J_Savidge@nps.gov)>, Michele Gee <[michele\\_gee@nps.gov](mailto:michele_gee@nps.gov)>, Noreen Schirmer <[noreen\\_schirmer@nps.gov](mailto:noreen_schirmer@nps.gov)>, Howard Levitt <[howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov)>

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From: **Freeman, Adrienne** <[adrienne\\_freeman@nps.gov](mailto:adrienne_freeman@nps.gov)>

Date: Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 1:05 PM

Subject: Dog Management Proposed Rule Communications Plan and link to stakeholders spreadsheet

To: Kimiko De Pedro <[kimiko\\_depedro@nps.gov](mailto:kimiko_depedro@nps.gov)>

As promised at the LT Meeting yesterday.

Also: please start sending dates of standing staff meetings to Adrienne and Howard so that we can start putting them on the calendar; steep learning curve here so it'll be great to get our staff prepared and knowledgeable.

Link on Google Drive to Comprehensive Stakeholder List/ Mailing List:

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**Winter Hours: Monday- Thursday, 7:30am to 6pm**

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**From:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/13/2016 4:32:43 PM  
**To:** Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Pamela Smith [pamela\_smith@nps.gov]; Colleen Budd [colleen\_budd@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Alexandra Picavet [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Kimiko De Pedro [kimiko\_depedito@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; noemi margaret [noemi\_robinson@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(1/14)from 10:30-12

Hi all,

Attached is the agenda for tomorrow. Please note some prep is needed.

I am again attaching EBRP guidelines that I sent out a week ago for your review for you to id what is relevant to our dog mgt protocols,( and what is not). So, come with your thoughts for continued discussion on it as a template for best park practice guidelines developed to date. Please take some time to review.

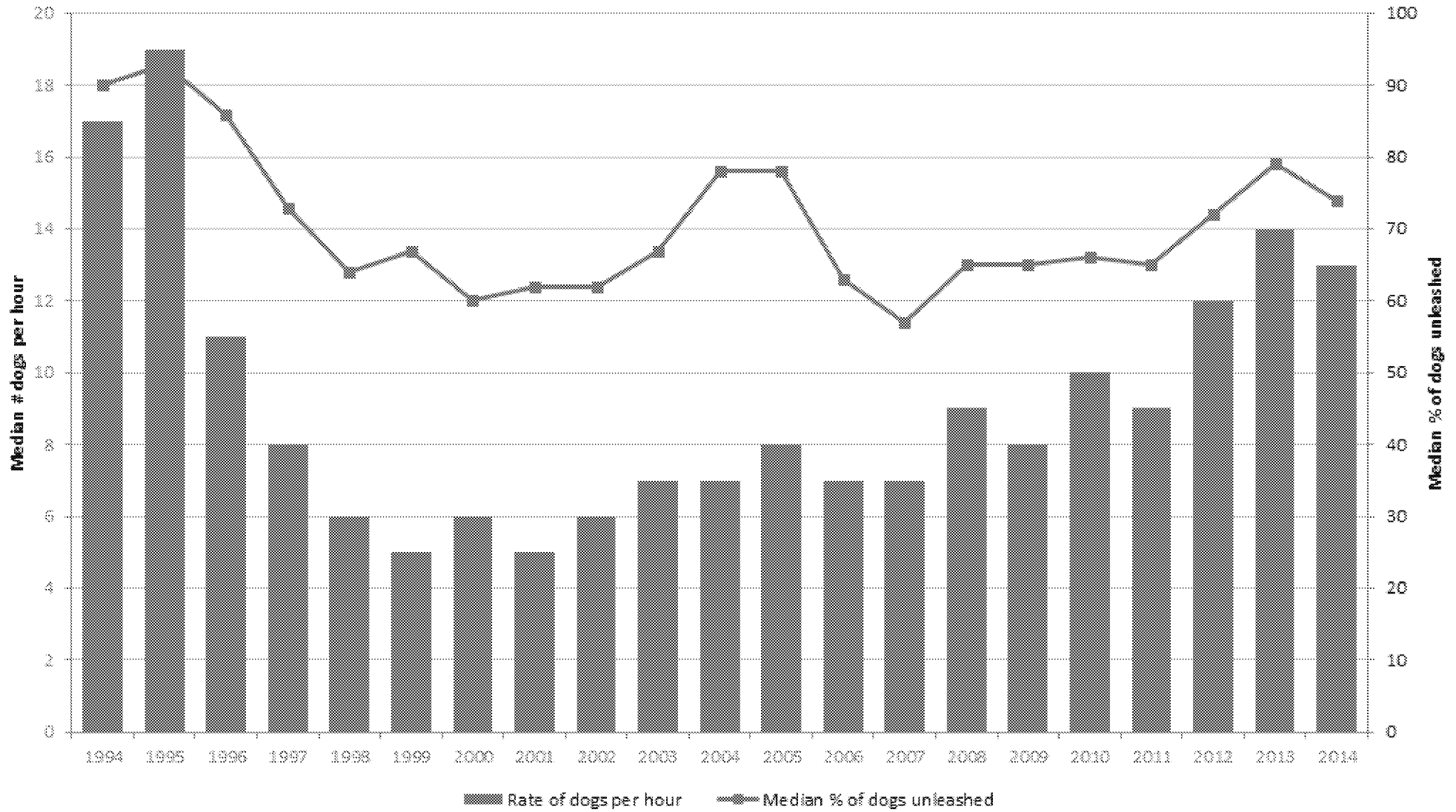
I am also attaching a recent graph on violations of SPPA dogs on-leash at Ocean beach for our discussion and your recommendations tomorrow on how to best address.

Thanks,

Mike



### Dogs Per Hour and Percentage of Dogs Unleashed at Ocean Beach Snowy Plover Protection Area 1994 - 2014



Message

**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/13/2016 1:06:17 PM  
**To:** Michael J Savidge [Michael\_J\_Savidge@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Randy Lavoiseur [Randy\_Lavoiseur@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** DRAFT figure on leash compliance in SPPA at Ocean Beach

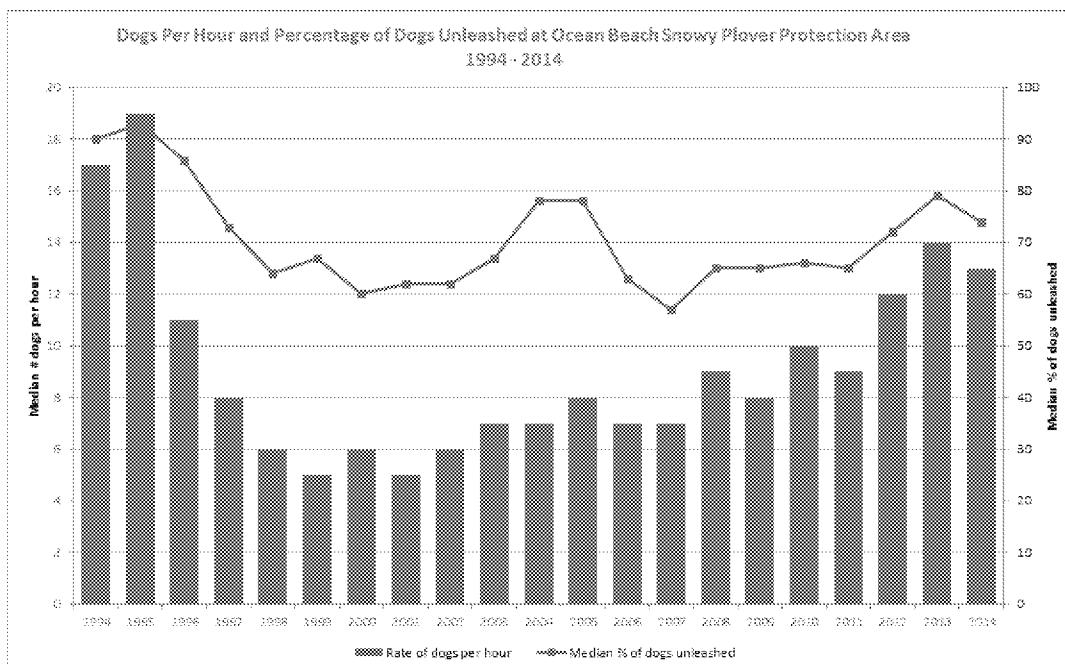
Hi,

We are working on getting a report out on our plover monitoring data--and it seems like compliance with leash regulation at Ocean Beach has gotten really bad in the 2012, 13, and 14 monitoring seasons (note that the monitoring season for 2012 goes from July 2012 to May of 2013).

This chart shows the median percentage of dogs per hour that we observe on our surveys -- these numbers appear to be increasing since 2001.

The line indicates the median percentage of dogs that are off-leash in the SPPA area. The park started enforcing a leash restriction in the plover area at Ocean Beach in 1997 (so this was implemented during the year in monitoring season 1996 on the chart). Leash restrictions were in place from 1997-2004 (Barley ruling)--so that is why we see the percentage of unleashed dogs bump up in 2004 and 2005 monitoring seasons because the leash restriction was not in place. In Nov. 2006, park put in a compendium rule for dogs to be on-leash in SPPA again--so we see off-leash percentage drop from 2005 to 2006--and then we went through the plover rulemaking in 2008 without a break in the leash restriction.

It appears that the percentage of dogs off-leash in the SPPA has trended up since the 2007 season, and has gotten especially bad from 2012-14, with over 70% of dogs off-leash in the SPPA.



This seems to present a case for more enforcement of the leash reg at OB.

Happy to discuss more. Draft of the full report will be complete soon -- and we will put it through NPS peer review process to publish in the NR technical report series; however, I don't envision these numbers changing through the review.

-Bill

Bill Merkle, Ph.D.  
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Message

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**From:** Ward, Kristen [kristen\_ward@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/14/2016 12:29:32 PM  
**To:** Anne Baskerville [ABaskerville@parksconservancy.org]  
**CC:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Crissy SLR Outreach List

here you go -  
Kristen

*Kristen Ward*  
*Wetland Ecologist*  
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**From:** **Ward, Kristen** <kristen\_ward@nps.gov>  
**Date:** Fri, Nov 13, 2015 at 11:01 AM  
**Subject:** Crissy SLR Outreach List  
**To:** Anne Baskerville <ABaskerville@parksconservancy.org>  
**Cc:** Daphne Hatch <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>, Carey Feierabend <carey\_feierabend@nps.gov>, Brian Aviles <brian\_aviles@nps.gov>

Hi Anne - Here's a list of people/organizations that Daphne and I came up with that would we think should be part of the outreach efforts for the public meeting for the Crissy SLR Vulnerability Assessment.

Let me know if you need contact info for any of these (I have some but not all).

Thanks,  
Kristen

In no particular order -

NPCA (Natl Parks Cons. Association)  
NOAA/Sanctuary:  
Maria Brown (superintendent)  
Brian Johnson (dep. superintendent)  
Jan Roletto (for Beach Watch, education)  
Sara Hutto (role in EcoAdapt)  
Golden Gate Audubon

Ocean Beach Stakeholders

Ben Grant - SPUR  
Bob Battalio (ESA/PWA)  
Louis White (ESA/PWA)  
Anna Roche (SFPUC)  
others?

Golden Gate Audubon (Matt Zlatunich, others?)

Dog Groups

Parks Group (sorry don't know their official name)

Amy Meyer, Gordon Bennett

Presidio Park Stewards volunteers

Presidio Environmental Council

Boardsailors

Outriggers

Fort Point Historical Society (not sure what their official name is)

Presidio Trust

Terri Thomas

RWQCB

Jan O' Hara (working on pathogen TMDL)

SFPUC

Mike Kellogg and/or Diane O'Donohue (weekly pathogen testing)

SF Yacht Club

SF Bike Coalition?

bike rental outfits

BCDC

Brenda Goeden (works on Bay sediment mgmt stuff)

Bob Batha (Ex Director (not sure that's the right title)

SFEI

Letitia Grenier (headed up recent Baylands Goals Climate Change Update)

ESA/PWA

Bob Battalio (long-running interest in Crissy Field)

Phil Williams (ditto)

also - post signs at Torpedo Wharf to reach fishing community

kristen

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**ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF  
THE  
PROPOSED RULE FOR  
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## Purpose of Analysis

- Cost-benefit analysis of the proposed rule and its alternatives consistent with Executive Order (E.O.) 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review.
  - Requires an analysis of benefits and costs and to evaluate if a proposed rule constitutes a significant regulatory action.
  - Significant regulatory actions include those that could have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more.
- Analysis of the potential impacts on small entities, as required by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), as amended by the 1996 Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA).
  - Requires agencies determine the rule's impact on small entities and to explore regulatory alternatives for reducing any significant economic impact on a substantial number of such entities.



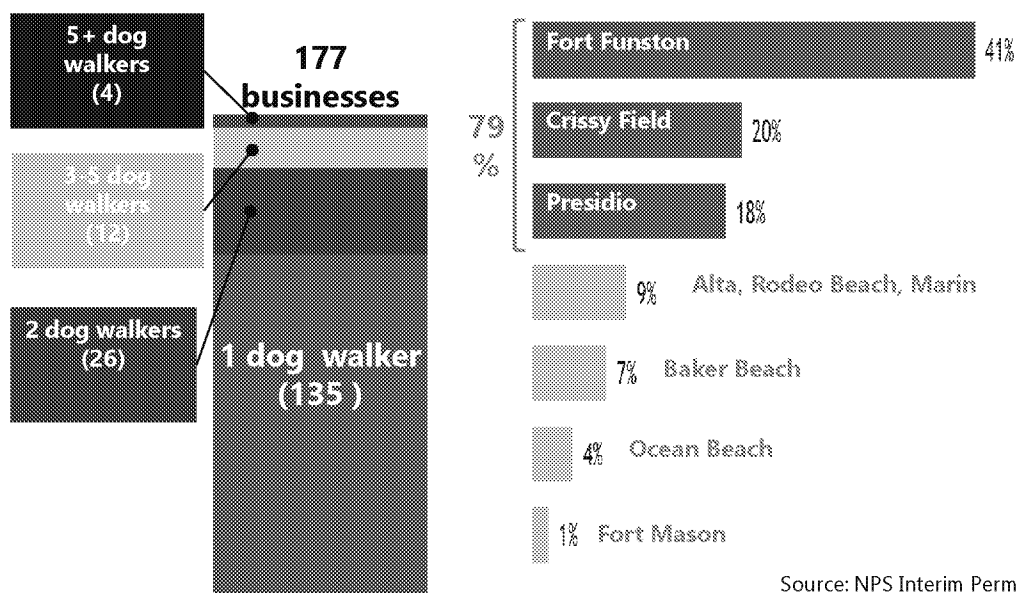
## General Approach

- Policy actions result in winners and losers.
- Analysis seeks to identify the net resource cost or benefit to society resulting from policy change.
- Economic analysis compares “the world with the policy change” with “the world absent the policy change.”
  - In this case, this is the world prior to implementation of the Interim Permit Program.
- Focus on costs and benefits to four (4) groups:
  - Private dog walkers
  - Commercial dog walkers
  - Visitors that would prefer limiting dog walking or no dog walking
  - Visitors displaced due to dog presence

# Commercial Dog Walkers that Utilize GGNRA

- Baseline data on the number and operations of commercial dog walkers operating at GGNRA is limited.
  - Analysis relies on the interim permit program as proxy for baseline data on commercial dog walking activities in GGNRA.
  - At time of analysis, interim permit program included 177 businesses employing 268 dog walkers walking 4+ dogs.

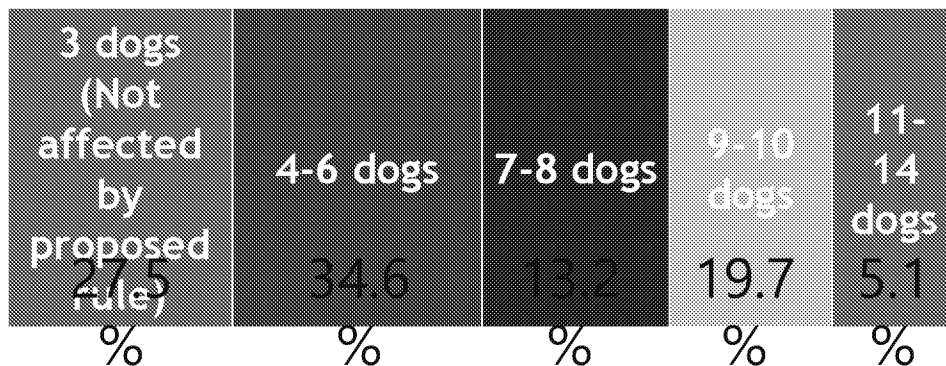
EMPLOYEES PER BUSINESS (4 or more dogs) GGNRA BY AREA (4 or more dogs)



Source: NPS Interim Permit P

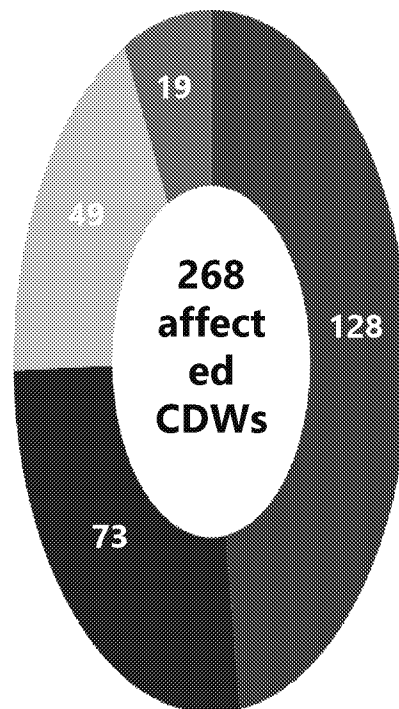
# Commercial Dog Walkers that Utilize GGNRA

Source: 2011 IEC Study.



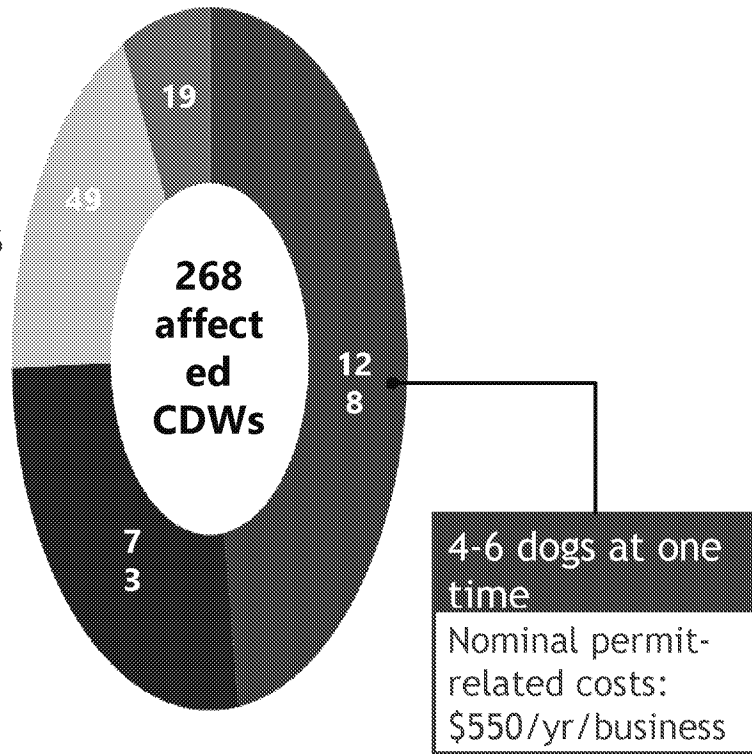
## How many dogs do CDWs typically walk at one time?

- Park-wide data not available.
- Analysis relies on a 2011 study conducted at Fort Funston; this assumption likely overstates number of operations walking large dog group sizes at other GGNRA sites.

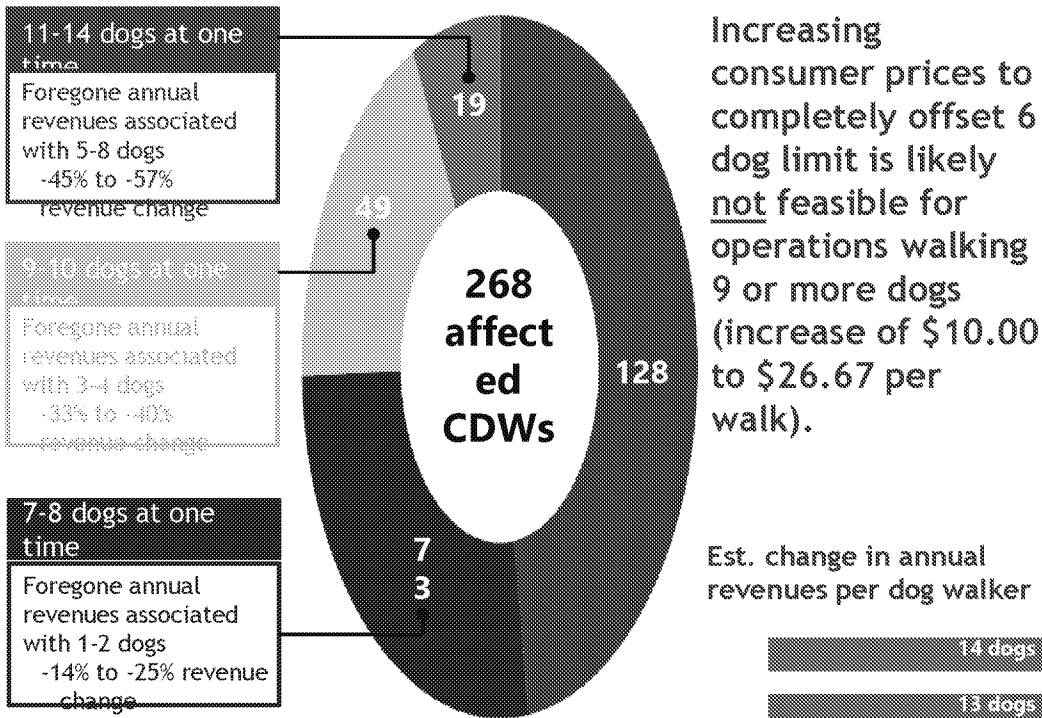


# Costs to Commercial Dog Walkers

48% of affected commercial dog walkers (128 dog walkers) will experience nominal permit-related costs under the proposed rule.



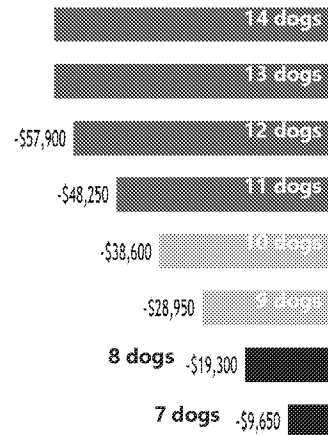
# Costs to Commercial Dog Walkers



Increasing consumer prices to completely offset 6 dog limit is likely not feasible for operations walking 9 or more dogs (increase of \$10.00 to \$26.67 per walk).

Feasible for operations walking 7 to 8 dogs to increase prices (increase of \$3.33 to \$6.67) to offset loss of revenue from walking one to two additional dogs per year.

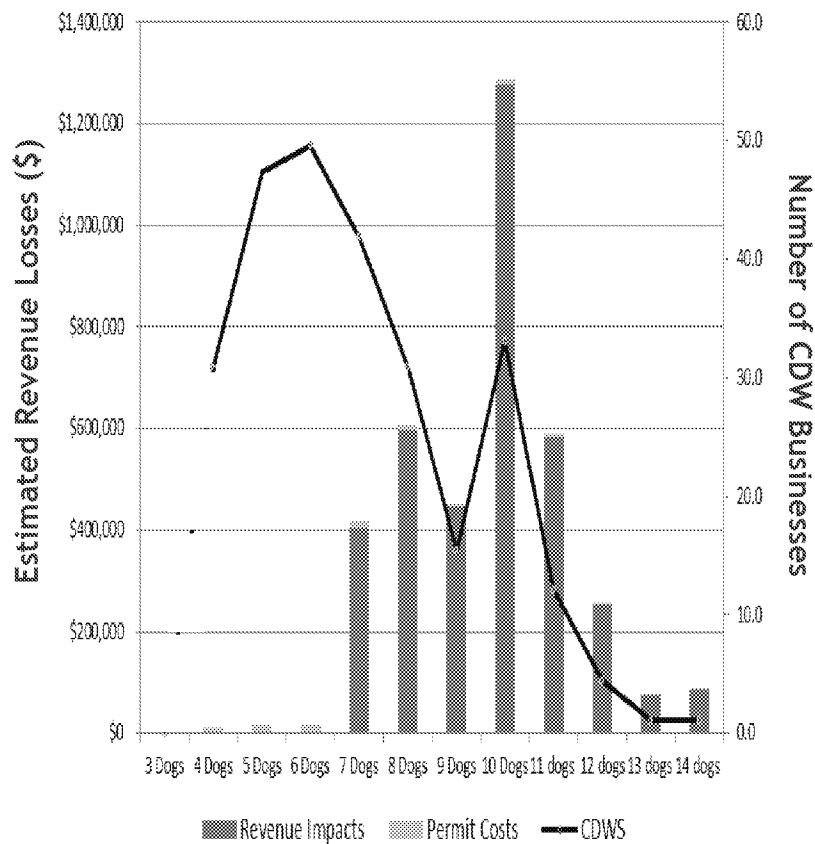
Est. change in annual revenues per dog walker



Assumes \$20 per walk, 9.65 walks/wk, and 50 wks/yr.

# Costs to Commercial Dog Walkers

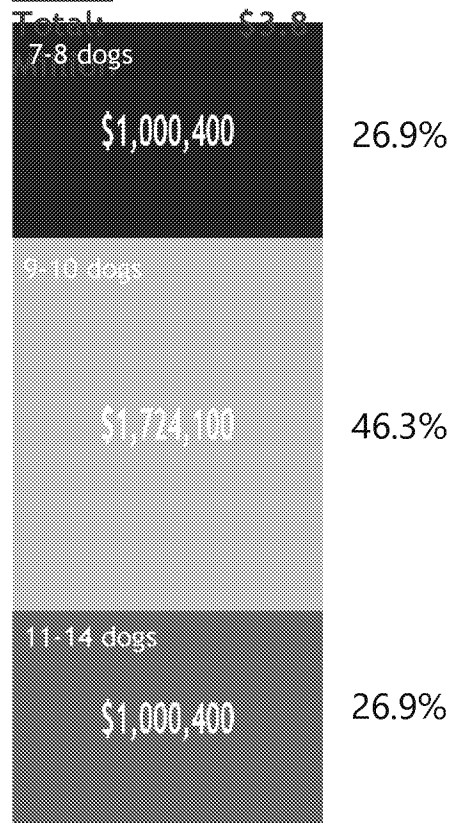
Commercial dog operations walking ten dogs (prior to the interim permit program) subject to greatest cost burden, as compared to other dog walking group sizes.



# Total Costs to Commercial Dog Walking Industry

*Upper Bound* estimate of potential revenue losses per year

6 dog limit: \$3.7 Million  
Permit: \$0.1 Million  
**Total: \$3.8 Million**



Assuming price increases are feasible for operations walking 7 to 8 dogs (price increase of \$3.33 to \$6.67), potential revenue losses per year falls by \$1.0 million

9+ dogs : \$2.7 Million  
Permit: \$0.1 Million  
**Total: \$2.8 Million**

## Total Costs to Commercial Dog Walking Industry

- Revenue losses are anticipated to be lower than the upper bound estimate because they are not net of operation costs.
- Further reductions in revenue losses are possible depending on how affected CDWs change their behavior:
  - Increase customer prices
  - Increase number of walks per day
  - Adding employees
  - Operations walking < 6 dogs may increase the number of dogs walked (in response to increased demand for dog walking in GGNRA)
  - Walking dogs at alternate non-GGRNA locations
  - Diversifying services



## Costs to Commercial Dog Walkers: Potential Costs not Quantified

- Additional revenue losses may occur to the extent that the dog walker provides commercial dog walking services for more than three dogs on weekends.
- Additional revenue losses may occur as a result of a loss of flexibility to add additional dogs to existing dog walking schedules based on unscheduled client demand or from overnight dog boarding services.

## Benefits to Commercial Dog Walkers

- Proposed rule is expected to reduce the total number of dogs using the park at one time and the number of dog walkers operating with large dog group sizes.
  - Increased responsible dog walking.
  - Potential to reduce liability risks from uncontrolled dogs.
  - Reduced risk of negative interactions with other dogs.
  - Reduced risk of negative interactions with other park users with and without dogs.
  - Improve the quality of dog walking experiences at GGNRA for both commercial dog walkers and the dogs they walk.

## Private Dog Walkers

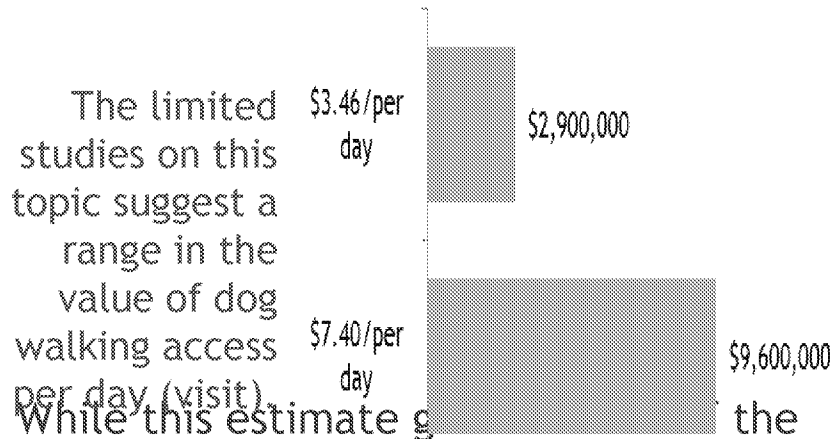
- The annual number of visits to GGNRA with dogs is not known, but can be estimated.
- We used a combination of existing study data (IEc and Tierney) and NPS field estimates to estimate the total annual number of private dog walking visits to GGNRA of 0.9 million to 1.3 million.

## Rule impacts on Private Dog Walkers

- The rule affects private dog walkers by changing the level of access for dog walkers to particular subareas of park locations, with dogs on- or off-leash.
- The rule may cause a change in the way the private dog walkers may perceive or utilize the park but most park locations retain areas where dogs are allowed. As such, any changes to future behavior of private dog walkers is difficult to predict without a survey.
- Previous to our study, NPS conducted a survey that attempted to elicit responses to changes in access, but results were inconclusive.

## Costs to Private Dog Walkers

- Our study reviewed literature on the consumer surplus values the public holds for dog walking.



- While this estimate gives the relative scale of the current value that the public holds for private dog walking in the GGNRA, we are not able to say conclusively whether the value will increase, decrease, or remain the same following the rule.

## Benefits to Private Dog Walkers

- Same benefits as for CDWs.
- Proposed rule is expected to reduce the total number of dogs using the park at one time and the number of dog walkers operating with large dog group sizes.
  - Increased responsible dog walking.
  - Potential to reduce liability risks from uncontrolled dogs.
  - Reduced risk of negative interactions with other dogs.
  - Reduced risk of negative interactions with other park users with and without dogs.
  - Improve the quality of dog walking experiences at GGNRA for both dog walkers and the dogs they walk.

## Cost and Benefits to Visitors Who Prefer Limiting Dog Walking or Not Having Dogs in GGNRA

- Data from two studies suggest that between 11 and 16 percent of visitors to GGNRA (or approximately 1.6 to 2.3 million visitors annually) may feel that dog walking negatively impacts their experience at GGNRA.
- The rule provides areas which are dog-free within park locations, which should provide benefits to visitors who prefer more managed dog walking in this national park.
- Because dogs will still be allowed into the park, it is unclear whether visitors who prefer no dogs will change their behavior following the rule.

## Cost and Benefits to Displaced Park Visitors

- Because dogs would continue to be present in the park, visitation patterns by people who currently avoid GGNRA because of dogs may remain unchanged following the rule.
- However, because NPS has endeavored to provide areas within each park location where no dogs are allowed, visitation by people that currently avoid GGNRA due to dog presence could increase over time.



## Summary of Costs and Benefits of the Rule

- Costs and benefits would accrue differently to GGNRA visitors who prefer dog walking as compared to visitors who prefer more managed dog walking or no dog walking at all.
  - All visitors will accrue some benefits from the rule in the form of an improved experience with reduced congestion and dog interactions in some areas with smaller groups of dogs rather than much larger groups of dogs, and reduced degradation of natural and cultural resources by dogs. The magnitude of such benefits will vary depending on the personal preference of visitors.
  - Commercial dog walking businesses who typically walk large groups of dogs are anticipated to experience the greatest burden of costs due to the six dog limit.
  - Consumers may see higher prices for commercial dog walking services at GGNRA.
- **Because quantified costs of the rule are expected to be no greater than \$3.8 million annually, the analysis concludes that the proposed rule is unlikely to generate costs exceeding \$100 million in any year.**

# Small Entity Impacts

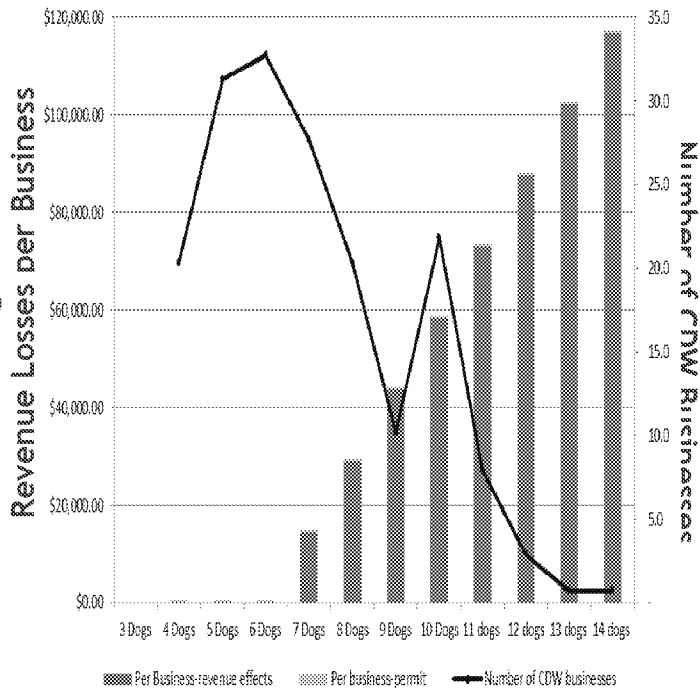
177 total CDW operations affected at GGNRA

CDWs walking 4 to 6 (84 operations)

- Nominal Permit costs of approximately \$550 per operation.

CDWs walking > 6 (93 operations)

- Median impact is \$29,000 per operation (or \$19,300 per dog walker)
- Range is \$12,500 (7 dogs) to \$102,000 (14 dogs).



- Estimated impacts per business should be considered order of magnitude impacts.

## Small Entity Impacts - Conclusion

- Approximately 106 small commercial dog walking businesses may be affected by the proposed rule because they have operated in GGNRA (prior to the interim permit program) and may walk more than the allowable limit of six dogs at one time.
- This proposed regulatory action is not expected to be a major rule. That is, the proposed rule is not expected to:
  - Have an annual economic effect of \$100 million,
  - To result in a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, or geographic regions, or
  - Result in significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets.

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Message

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**From:** Sifuentes-Winter, Jonathan [jonathan\_sifuentes-winter@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/2/2014 10:48:53 AM  
**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Janet Takashiro [janet\_takashiro@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Suspense: Newly hatched goslings

Hi Daphne and Janet,

I have been talking with Susan Forrest in regards to her e-mail. She has been very pleased with our response. I have taken a number of actions including increased monitoring with public contact. I plan on installing a temporary sign at the beach access with messaging about the natural resources of Fort Baker and visitor proper etiquette.

Please let me know if you need any further information

Jonathan "Coty" Sifuentes-Winter  
Natural Resource Specialist  
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Monday - Friday 7:30 - 4:00

On Fri, May 2, 2014 at 10:14 AM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:  
Coty-  
Would you please respond to Janet and I.  
Thanks  
Daphne

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From: **Takashiro, Janet** <janet\_takashiro@nps.gov>  
Date: Friday, May 2, 2014  
Subject: Suspense: Newly hatched goslings  
To: Daphne Hatch <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>

Please let me know **via e-mail** if this suspense has been completed and if not, by when.  
Thank you, Daphne!

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From: **GOGA Superintendent, NPS** <goga\_superintendent@nps.gov>  
Date: Tue, Apr 15, 2014 at 10:10 AM

Subject: Suspense: Newly hatched goslings  
To: Daphne Hatch <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>

Action Person: Daphne Hatch  
Suspense 14-6.5  
Reply Due: April 28, 2014

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From: Susan Forrest <sforrest345@**exemption 6**>  
Date: Mon, Apr 14, 2014 at 5:28 PM  
Subject: Newly hatched goslings  
To: goga\_superintendent@nps.gov

Dear Mr. Dean,

I've been photographing the gosling families who fly in, usually late February, for 5 years—they are there to mate and lay their eggs and hatch them, then raise them at the little beach across from the coast guard station. And every year, on April 14, the first one's appear. I went there today specifically to see them—and saw the first—3 goslings. In the next few days there will be more—other pairs of geese. Usually there aren't more than 1 or 2 other pairs who lay on the eggs and hatch them, all within a week.

The parents are fierce in their devotion to their broods, and every year but for last, ALL survive. They have been clever in hiding there nests. **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707**

As I watched them from a distance and photographed them with my long lens, a tourist bus—"hop on hop off" pulled up and people tumbled out to take pictures of each other, and then returned to the bus." I don't know how many times a day this happens, but I would guess a lot. The goslings were too small for the travelers to see, but once they do, and/or the drivers see them, they'll be on them like a hot rock.

I'm writing to you to ask if that beach can somehow be left for the geese to raise their young—it has the only fresh water source I'm aware of.

And, even if there are people on the beach they ease their broods up the right side of the beach to drink that water. Is there any way the stairs down to that beach be posted and closed to the public for for a few months until the goslings are less fragile? As a national park, wildlife is so important for all of us. If it is killed or chased away by thousands of people...then what do we have?

Here are the problems I see for the Canadian Geese this year.

1. The Exploratorium brings their little children to the beach several times a day.
2. Families with children and dogs use the beach—car loads of them.
3. The many tourists who come on buses and pile out.
4. Sometimes, a person with a preschool will take her kids and their parents on the beach during the summer. She says this is a way for her kids to learn to be careful-  
With young kids wood and stones are thrown, things are kicked and often the parents or supervisors don't register the danger for the goslings.
5. There are a lot of unleashed dogs. Once several years ago, the coast guard guys were taking their dog(s) urging them

“to go get them”

until my friend spoke to someone like you and it stopped.

6. There are now so many bicyclists—they often come in big groups....

There was a several park rangers there today and several park police. They were all concerned and had a theory about dogs and gulls and other predators killing the goslings every year. I haunt that area most days until the geese families leave in mass, in late August, and when the goslings are big. Until last year each gosling survived. Last year, not one of 10-14 goslings survived—they disappeared.

You have a tremendous responsibility; I have a great deal of respect for you and know the difficult task you have.

If you’ve gotten this far, I want to thank you....and to show you a few photographs of the gosling from today and from other years.

The first is one from today.

Sincerely, Susan Forrest [exemption 6] Sausalito, Ca. 94965 [exemption 6]

Gosling naping...Day 1 April 14, 2014

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Message

**From:** Freeman, Adrienne [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/21/2016 10:03:19 AM  
**To:** Kristin Wheeler [wheeler.kristin@exemption 6]; Howard Levitt [howard\_levitt@nps.gov]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]; William Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; Aaron Roth [aaron\_roth@nps.gov]; Colleen Budd [colleen\_budd@nps.gov]; Danny Collman [dan\_collman@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; James Sword [james\_sword@nps.gov]; Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Kay Wang [kay\_wang@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Michael Savidge [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Erin Heimbinder [eheimbinder@exemption 6]  
**Subject:** Re: Update on Dog Management IDT Progress

Hey, all--

The Communications Team met again yesterday and here's where we are:

1. The stakeholder and associated mailing list is close to complete.
2. We have started working on products for staff and the public to help communicate the proposed rule (as we can without the document in hand). The "pocket card" needs just a few more edits and will be out to you guys (probably today, maybe Monday) to get your feedback on how it will work in the field.
3. We are starting to get a few more training dates for staff trickling in-- we will be calling partners and supervisors to finalize those.
4. Public meeting dates, times, and locations have been (tentatively) set. We will get final approval and then let you guys know when they are.
5. Position descriptions are getting final tweaks, we'll start recruiting next week.
6. Beginning work on other draft communications for staff and the public.

We'll be meeting again next Monday at 2pm if anyone wants to join in the call. We'll be asking you to give a pretty quick turnaround on the products as we get them done!

Thanks, and please let me know if you have any questions!

Adrienne

On Wed, Jan 13, 2016 at 9:36 AM, Freeman, Adrienne <adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hello, and Happy 2016!

I wanted to send a quick note to update you all on the work that's continuing behind the scenes as we prepare for the roll out of the Proposed Rule early this year. We are working on:

1. Establishing dates and locations for staff and partner trainings
2. Finalizing the comprehensive list of stakeholders that we will be reaching out to
3. Beginning work (as we can without having the proposed rule in-hand) on the tool kit for staff
4. Doing some leg work on rough public meeting locations, dates, and times

Kristin, Alex and I are still meeting weekly to make sure that we are ready for roll out, and we will likely be reaching out again to you all to help as we learn more about the specific date of release.



I will update you after each meeting on what's going on, and feel free to contact me if you have questions.

See you February 1.

Adrienne

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**Winter Hours: Monday- Thursday, 7:30am to 6pm**

Adrienne Freeman  
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**Sent:** 1/28/2016 8:24:44 AM  
**To:** Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Pamela Smith [pamela\_smith@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Alexandra Picavet [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Kimiko De Pedro [kimiko\_depiedo@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; noemi margaret [noemi\_robinson@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(1/14)from 10:30-12

Hi folks,

Sorry I am getting this out late. Attached is our draft agenda(with telcon) for today's dog mgt coord. mtg. Much emphases will be on Communications in lead up to release, as well as content for our main presentations.

thanks,

Mike

PS. Have also attached copy of Internal Deliberative Outline for Presentation for your personal reference and today's review. This is eyes only and not for further distribution.Thanks.

On Wed, Jan 20, 2016 at 4:38 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

Hi folks,

Attached is our draft agenda(with telcon) for tomorrow's dog mgt coord. mtg. Please note that we are focusing, at Chris's request, for one hour on action(s) and responsibilities in our Comms plan and Comms strategy in lead up to our proposed rule's projected release in February.

thanks,

Mike

PS> Have also attached copy of Internal Deliberative Comms plan for your reference.

On Thu, Jan 14, 2016 at 10:05 AM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

Here are updated CDW guidelines for Marin county open space attached for your reading and upcoming discussions.

Mike

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Message

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/28/2016 1:49:10 PM  
**To:** Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** thoughts on dog monitoring

As we have discussed, the core of the program really needs to be the compliance monitoring.

- What NR should be monitored during compliance monitoring visits? Wildlife chasing (shorebirds, deer seems to be rare, occasionally other birds??), digging, (think we should leave failure to pick up under general dog compliance)

A key question to adding other monitoring is whether we can tease out the impact of dogs from the impacts of people?

Are there resources we think we could set up a relatively easy way to monitor dog impacts? My initial thought is no, that this will be challenging and that this would involve more intense, focused research level efforts.

Are there sensitive areas that we want to monitor? Or add to compliance monitoring? (Muir Beach including restoration areas, Ocean Beach (is plover monitoring sufficient), Crissy WPA, Rodeo Lagoon and west side closure, Mori Pt. and wetland areas).

Also we did really fight for and call out the contiguous habitat at Marin Headlands, Sweeney and Rancho, so at very least we need to make sure there is compliance monitoring and enforcement in these areas.

Are there some key areas that we anticipate significant change in dog use that we would want to monitor resources? Maybe track change in habitat through simple photo monitoring, even if we ultimately may not be able to determine if the change is entirely due to changes in dog use.

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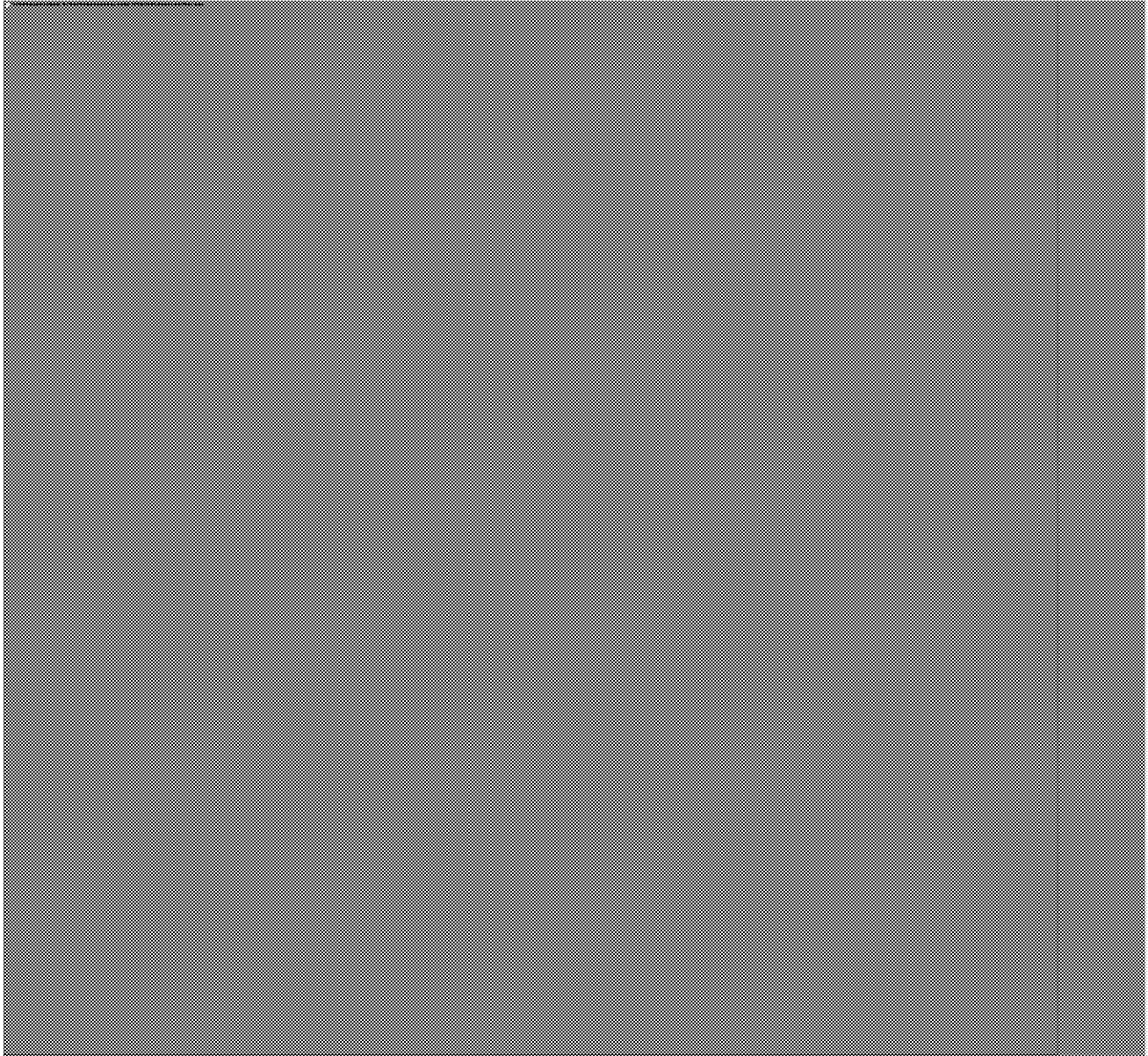
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Message

**From:** Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) [brian\_aviles@nps.ccsend.com]  
**on behalf of** Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) [goga\_planning@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/4/2016 9:33:55 PM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** CORRECTED PHONE NUMBER: Dog Management Planning Update



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For access to dog management planning documents, go to: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/learn/management/dog-management.htm>

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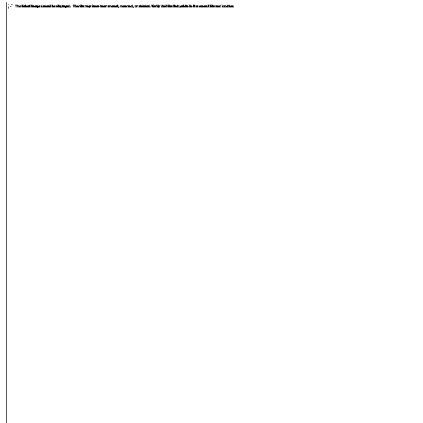
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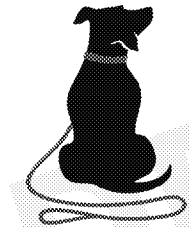
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**To:** Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Pamela Smith [pamela\_smith@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]; Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Alexandra Picavet [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Kimiko De Pedro [kimiko\_depiedo@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; noemi margaret [noemi\_robinson@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(1/14)from 10:30-12

Hi all,

Attached is our draft agenda for tomorrow. Please review the agenda for topics you are identified to address; and, also note that we will be meeting in the GG room from 10:30-12.

Thanks.

Mike

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Sorry I am getting this out late. Attached is our draft agenda(with telcon) for today's dog mgt coord. mtg. Much emphases will be on Communications in lead up to release, as well as content for our main presentations.

thanks,

Mike

PS. Have also attached copy of Internal Deliberative Outline for Presentation for your personal reference and today's review. This is eyes only and not for further distribution.Thanks.

On Wed, Jan 20, 2016 at 4:38 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

Hi folks,

Attached is our draft agenda(with telcon) for tomorrow's dog mgt coord. mtg. Please note that we are focusing, at Chris's request, for one hour on action(s) and responsibilities in our Comms plan and Comms strategy in lead up to our proposed rule's projected release in February.

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**Sent:** 2/5/2016 4:13:05 PM  
**To:** mike\_ryan@nps.gov; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]; Aaron Roth [Aaron\_Roth@nps.gov]; Chris Lehnertz [Chris\_Lehnertz@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]; Randy Lavasseur [Randy\_Lavasseur@nps.gov]; Carolyn Shoulders [Carolyn\_Shoulders@nps.gov]; Darren Fong [darren\_fong@nps.gov]; Andrew Felton [Andrew\_Felton@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Is Tennessee Valley Beach open this weekend?

Hi. We have not had significant rain in a while and it will be a beautiful weekend. This is our only no dog beach in Marin. Is it open this weekend?

Alexandra Picavet  
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Sent by my iPhone. Please excuse the odd word choices of my phone.

Message

**From:** Koser, Sarah [skoser@eaest.com]  
**Sent:** 3/6/2013 4:26:23 AM  
**To:** Bennett, Susan [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Boltz, Suzanne [sboltz@eaest.com]; Matkowski, Jeannette [jematkowski@eaest.com]; Michael\_B\_Edwards@nps.gov; Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov; Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov; Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov  
**Subject:** RE: FW: steelhead trout and MBB host plants at Rancho - GGNRA dog plan/SEIS

Susie - this information is extremely useful and will enable me to complete the analysis. Thanks so much for taking the time to address my questions - I know you are busy and I appreciate your help!

Sarah

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**From:** Bennett, Susan [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 05, 2013 8:49 PM  
**To:** Koser, Sarah  
**Cc:** Boltz, Suzanne; Matkowski, Jeannette; Michael\_B\_Edwards@nps.gov; Shirwin\_Smith@nps.gov; Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov; Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Re: FW: steelhead trout and MBB host plants at Rancho - GGNRA dog plan/SEIS

Hi Sarah,

I wish I could give you a more thorough analysis of MBB habitat throughout the site as a whole. I do feel confident saying the following:

- 1) The MBB host plants that I've seen at RCDT in the lower areas where dog walking is proposed are *Lupinus variicolor* (LUVA), the least favored MBB host plants.
- 2) I currently see off-leash dogs in areas that currently support LUVA.
- 3) In the Montara parcel, there are LUVA patches above Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707 I have not seen any

Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707

(According to the map, all the dog walking trails in this proposal are

Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707

4) If there's 100% compliance with the trail guidelines in the map and all dogs are on leash, I suspect there will be negligible impacts on LUVAs plants.

5) I do not recall ever seeing host plants in the [Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707] anywhere near the trails labeled "leash required". The trails labeled as "leash required" in the map are highly disturbed and tend to be bordered with large, non-native vegetation (pampas grass). In their current state, I don't think any MBB host plants occur adjacent to the trails.  
-Susie

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On Tue, Mar 5, 2013 at 1:11 PM, Koser, Sarah <[skoser@eaest.com](mailto:skoser@eaest.com)> wrote:


Susie – Thanks for calling me back! Just to add to Bill's email - I am attaching the Rancho map that shows trails/roads of the site and the Mission blue butterfly map of habitat (host plants) at Rancho. This is the only map I have of MBB host plant locations –looking at both maps, it appears that the [Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707] is located along suitable MBB habitat in the Montara area of Rancho. Do you have any other data regarding occurrences of MBB host plants? Can you tell me if other MBB host plants are located throughout the Montara area – and especially if the plants are located along trails/roads shown in the attached Rancho maps.

For the [Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707] area of Rancho, it looks like all MBB host plants are located well away from trails that allow dog walking (all dog walking trails located [Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707]). Do you agree, or do you know of additional occurrences of MBB host plants at [Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707]?

Thanks so much for your time. Your input has been much appreciated - I realize you don't have a lot of data yet for Rancho, so any other information you can provide would be helpful.

Sarah

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 05, 2013 3:09 PM

**To:** Susie Bennett; Koser, Sarah

**Subject:** Fwd: steelhead trout and MBB host plants at Rancho - GGNRA dog plan/SEIS

Hi Susie,

Can you provide any additional information on MBB at Rancho? I said that to the best of my knowledge URS mapping is what we have. And that variicolor is a host plant but that albifrons and formosus are more preferred.

Anything you could add on where lupines are and what risks from dogs are would be great. They want this today or tomorrow.

Thank you! Bill

Bill Merkle, Ph.D.

Wildlife Ecologist

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From: **Koser, Sarah** <[skoser@eaest.com](mailto:skoser@eaest.com)>

Date: Thu, Feb 28, 2013 at 1:03 PM

Subject: steelhead trout and MBB host plants at Rancho - GGNRA dog plan/SEIS

To: "[Bill Merkle@nps.gov](mailto:Bill_Merkle@nps.gov)" <[Bill Merkle@nps.gov](mailto:Bill_Merkle@nps.gov)>, "[Darren Fong@nps.gov](mailto:Darren_Fong@nps.gov)" <[Darren Fong@nps.gov](mailto:Darren_Fong@nps.gov)>

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Bill and Darren –

Hello, I just have two remaining questions that I need your help with for the GGNRA dog management plan/SEIS. Please see the attached Rancho Map for the locations of trails at this site (trail names may be incorrect but ignore) and compare with your knowledge of locations for listed species. Here is what I know was outstanding for listed species from your previous comments on the plan/SEIS:

1. Steelhead trout – Darren, you have noted previously that this species occurs in **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707** is critical habitat) and **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707**. In **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707** do steelhead occur near where **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707** is located along the creek (dog walking is allowed near this stream)? You noted before that there may be an impassible barrier at **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707** and I wanted to make sure. Also, do you know of any steelhead spawning areas in either of these creeks? I plan on adding an impacts analysis for steelhead to Rancho.

2. Mission blue butterfly – Bill, using the URS 2010 sensitive habitat mapping report, I do see that MBB host plants occur in the **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707** of Rancho – looks like along the **Exemption 3: 54 USC 100707**. Is this the only location where the host plants occur or do you have an updated map for Rancho that shows more locations of occurrence for MBB host plants? I plan on adding an impacts analysis for MBB to Rancho.

Also, thanks for providing text input for the plan/SEIS – we are still missing copies of references that you cited in your text for the natural resource section. Could you please send us the following references:

- Fong, D., D. Penry, and A. Slaughter. 2000 "Inventory of Benthic Invertebrates in Sandy Intertidal and Beach Habitats, Ocean Beach, San Francisco: Final Report."
- Swaim Biological, Inc. 2007 *Results of surveys for the San Francisco garter snake at Milagra Ridge and Rancho Corral de Tierra for Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Mateo County*. Final Report. Unpublished Report prepared for the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. 57 pp.
- Swaim Biological, Inc. January 2006. *Habitat assessment for the San Francisco garter snake on Golden Gate National Recreation Area lands, San Mateo County, California*. Unpublished report prepared for the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. 61 pp.
- Swenson, R.O. 1995 "The reproductive behavior and ecology of the tidewater goby *Eucyclogobius newberryi* (Pisces: Gobiidae)." PhD dissertation, University of California, Berkeley.



- McCormick, S.J. 1992 The Seasonal Intertidal and Nearshore Fish and Invertebrate Communities of Ocean Beach, San Francisco: Final Report.
- Becker, G.S. and I.J. Reining. 2008. *Steelhead/rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss) Resources South of the Golden Gate, California*. Cartography by D.A. Asbury. Center for Ecosystem Management and Restoration. Oakland, CA.

Please feel free to give me a call if this is unclear or you would like to discuss further.

Thanks so much,

Sarah

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**To:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: powerpoint note

Bill-

What is our current # of listed T&E species? Would you please send to me and Adrienne?

Thanks.

Daphne

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On Tue, Feb 9, 2016 at 2:53 PM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi Mike,

I attached the excel table I used for presentation to Chris and PWR.

I think these are the T&E species with the potential to be impacted by dogs--and these are what were analyzed through EIS. Note that for some of the species, the impacts varied in magnitude and duration (for some the impacts were not as large and we had less documentation).

Also note that we did end up not doing a formal consultation with USFWS on the preferred plan--we just got their concurrence on a not likely to adversely affect determination

-Bill

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On Tue, Feb 9, 2016 at 12:17 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_i\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_i_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

"1.As part of International Biosphere Reserve, we have over 37 Endangered Species that are listed, 9 of which are being impacted in some manner by dogs"

9 are:

Snowy plover

MBB

Spotted owl

Coho

Steelhead

red-legged frog

Sf garter snake

tidewater goby

varied T & E plant species(un-named in your presentation at PWR)

Call me when you get this.

Thanks

Mike

Message

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**From:** Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/9/2016 6:38:57 PM  
**To:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Kristin Wheeler [wheeler.kristin@exemption 6]  
**Subject:** RE: Is there a way to call in from 4-5pm to the Dog IDT meeting?

Thanks... timing couldn't be better. We are finalizing language for a whole slew of products tomorrow and this'll be a great addition.

A.

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From: "Merkle, William" <bill\_merkle@nps.gov>  
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Cc: "Freeman, Adrienne" <adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov>, Kristin Wheeler <wheeler.kristin@exemption 6>  
Subject: Re: Is there a way to call in from 4-5pm to the Dog IDT meeting?  
Hi,

The current number for federally listed T&E species is 37.

That table I sent Mike was the one the listed species that we did more analysis on for potential impacts in the EIS process.

-Bill

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On Tue, Feb 9, 2016 at 6:16 PM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hi Adrienne,

I jus had a chance to lookat the documents that I didn't get until today from last Thursday's meeting. I have an important comment on the following excerpt:

## Why does the Park Need to Manage Dogs?

The GGNRA is home to over 1,273 plant and animal species (35 of which are endangered, rare, or threatened)

We have 35 (or 37?) federally-listed threatened and endangered species. We have many many more, like 75+, that are considered rare or having special management concern. I think Bill just sent Mike S our most current list of T&E species. I'll forward to you.

That's it.

Daphne

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Here are a few draft education items that we're looking at today-- wanted you guys to be able to see them with us!

On Thu, Feb 4, 2016 at 12:31 PM, Kristin Wheeler <[wheeler.kristin@exemption 6](mailto:wheeler.kristin@exemption 6)> wrote:  
Hi Daphne and Bill,

Now that we have two folks joining us by phone please use the following conference line to join us at 3pm:

**Exemption 5: Call in**

Thanks and talk to you later!  
Kristin

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Kristin Wheeler

On Feb 4, 2016, at 10:22 AM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

I have a meeting from 2-4pm at the Marin Civic Center but could call in to the IDT meeting from 4-5pm. The calendar entry doesn't have a call-in #. Would that be possible? I would need to know by 1pm since I won't be able to check my email after that.

Thanks.

Daphne

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**Sent:** 2/16/2016 9:12:35 AM  
**To:** Fong, Darren [darren\_fong@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Kristen Ward [Kristen\_Ward@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Susan Bennett [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Dog mangement planning information sessions UPDATE and REMINDER

YES

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On Thu, Feb 11, 2016 at 8:15 PM, Fong, Darren <[darren\\_fong@nps.gov](mailto:darren_fong@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Daphne, should we have our interns go to this? D

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**Date:** Thu, Feb 11, 2016 at 5:30 PM  
**Subject:** Dog mangement planning information sessions UPDATE and REMINDER  
**To:**

Hi, all:

NPS is holding a series of staff information sessions for NPS and Conservancy staff to ensure that we are well informed about the **Proposed Rule for Dog Management in GGNRA** before it is publicly released, and have the knowledge and resources to answer basic questions and know who to refer in-depth questions to. These are one-hour trainings open for staff to attend with no reservation required. Work through your supervisor to attend a training, and feel free to refer any questions to me.

The training sessions are scheduled as follows:

- **Marin Headlands, Building 1050:** Tues, February 16, 10am - 11am
- **Fort Mason, First Floor:** Tues, February 16, 2:30pm - 3:30pm
- **Muir Woods, Ed Lab:** Wed, February 17, 10am - 11am
- **Fort Miley:** Thu, February 18, 7:30am - 8:30am
- **Fort Mason, First Floor:** Thu, February 18, 9:30am - 10:30am
- **Marin Headlands, Building 1050:** Thu, February 18, 2pm - 3pm
- **CANCELLED San Francisco, Crissy Field Center (tentative, place subject to change):** Sat, February 27, 10am – 11am *(a Saturday training will be rescheduled if the need arises.)*

Thanks,

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### **PWR DIRECTORATE MEETING – February 9, 2016**

**Participants:**

Acting Regional Director Martha Lee

Associate Regional Director Stephanie Burkhart

Deputy Regional Director Chip Jenkins

Deputy Regional Director Patty Neubacher

Acting Deputy Regional Director Steve Mietz

Management Analyst George Turnbull

**Topics:**

The Directorate met on February 9 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

The situation at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Headquarters facility and Visitors Center at Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in Eastern Oregon, where a group of armed individuals have occupied the refuge structures since January 2, 2016 continues to be ambiguous, with four individuals still occupying the site. Several of our parks are in heightened security awareness status and taking measures to ensure safety of employees should there be spillover effects.

The Directorate approved the conversion of a Pathways Physical Scientist in the Sierra Inventory and Monitoring (I&M) Network. Lisa Garret, I&M Program Manager continues to work with the regional Comptroller's to review and modify workforce and budget planning to ensure each network and the overall regional program is sustainable. The I&M Program will present the results of the workforce and budget planning to the Directorate for review with the intention of ultimately creating an approved target organization.

At Fort Vancouver National Historical Site, US Forest Service staff representing the Gifford Pinchot National Forest and Bureau of Indian Affairs have moved into temporary leased quarters there. Mary Hazell, Project Manager with WASO Facilities Management will be on temporary loan to the Barracks project. She will be working approximately two days per week to help with the \$12 million in renovation projects underway.

Work continues to stand up the Manhattan Project National Historical Park (MAPR.) Chip Jenkins, Martha Crusius, PWR Chief of Planning, Hank Florence Cultural Resources Partnerships and Scott Tucker, Superintendent of LEWI were in Hanford, Washington last week for tribal consultation, initial interpretive planning, two public meetings and to conduct a Foundation Document workshop. MAPR is an unusual park that includes three sites in Oak Ridge TN, Los Alamos NM and Hanford WA. The park will be managed by the Intermountain Region with a Superintendent stationed in Denver. As a result, Intermountain Regional Director Sue Masica and interim park superintendent Tracy Atkins also participated in the meetings. The Hanford unit of the park presents a unique staffing challenge since it is not close to any other National Park units (like Oak Ridge, Tennessee which is close to Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area and Los Alamos, New Mexico which is near Bandelier National Monument).

The Northwest Flower and Garden Show is coming up next week and themed America The Beautiful: Celebrating America's National Parks and Landmarks. Because this is a Centennial related event Laura Joss will participate in the media orientation. Laura will do this as part of a quick one day trip to Seattle. She will also briefly stop by the Seattle Pacific West Regional Office for an opportunity to meet the staff.

The National Park Service Centennial Image Gallery was opened to the public on [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov). The Pacific West Region has the most sites in the National Park Service represented in the gallery.

The list of National Park Service Centennial Volunteer Ambassadors for 2016-2017 was announced. Eighteen Pacific West Region (PWR) parks have been selected to host 22 Centennial Volunteer Ambassadors starting in 2016. These are Student Conservation Association intern positions that will serve in select park units for one year (52 weeks) to assist in managing the park's Volunteer-In-Parks program.

On February 22, Golden Gate National Recreation Area will release the Proposed Rule for dog management for a 60-day public comment period. The Proposed Rule is the regulatory side of the preferred alternative from the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, released in 2013. The release of the Final Environmental Impact Statement is expected in summer or fall of 2016.

Patty Neubacher attended the Pacific Islands Network Board of Directors meeting the week of February 1 in Honolulu. Stanton Enomoto made a notable presentation that summarized the status of Federal Rulemaking associated with potential Native Hawaiian Sovereignty. Stanton was able to summarize the three complex rulemaking procedures in play. The presentation will be shared widely.

Sandy Kier, Servicing Human Resources Office (SHRO) Lead for the Pacific West Regional Office & Pacific Islands SHRO has taken a new job with the Presidio Trust. Her last day in the regional office is February 11.

Funding issues at Death Valley National Park surrounding the storm damage response after severe thunderstorms on Oct. 18, 2015 continue to be worked on by the Pacific West Region Comptroller's Office and the WASO Comptroller's Office.

On February 10, Patty Neubacher will visit Sacramento to brief California Department of Parks and Recreation staff on the Pacific West Region Strategic Organization Review conducted 2003-04. The state is looking at a department-wide reorganization and is interested in lessons learned from the last Pacific West Region reorganization.

### **Cool Things in Parks**

Pu`uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park is proud to share a link to a recently created completed 3 dimensional photography tour of the Royal Grounds and the park.

[http://www.nps.gov/hdp/exhibits/puho/PUHO\\_Tour.html](http://www.nps.gov/hdp/exhibits/puho/PUHO_Tour.html)

This project represents the culmination of several years of work funded by the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (FLREA) and Cultural Resources programs. The park is ecstatic that it will be able to share such detail of this important place in Hawai'i's history during the NPS Centennial year.

Kudos to Adam Johnson, park Chief of Integrated Resources, who spearheaded this amazing project.



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**From:** Picavet, Alexandra [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/19/2016 2:28:19 PM  
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**CC:** Scott, Craig [craig\_scott@nps.gov]; Stephen Skartvedt [Stephen\_Skartvedt@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Fact sheet- please up date your information ASAP for new Regional Director

Sorry you are sick- Thanks for following up.

Thanks Craig for your work too.  
Alex

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On Fri, Feb 19, 2016 at 2:19 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:  
I think it's fine to only include onshore for this, as long as it's made clear. Don't really need offshore for this. Home sick or I'd call.

Thanks.  
Daphne

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On Fri, Feb 19, 2016 at 2:15 PM, Scott, Craig <[craig\\_scott@nps.gov](mailto:craig_scott@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Daphne,

It only includes only onshore area. I can send offshore but we'll need to clarify what.

Can you call me?

Craig

On Fri, Feb 19, 2016 at 12:52 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Does the 18,500 include ocean/bay waters? How many acres is that?

Thanks.

Daphne

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On Fri, Feb 19, 2016 at 10:36 AM, Scott, Craig <[craig\\_scott@nps.gov](mailto:craig_scott@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Alex,

I think Stephen would normally respond but he's on leave. Shoreline is always complicated by how it's mapped so I think we should leave it for a longer discussion. Not sure where the 20,000 acres (GOGA Managed) came from. We currently use 18,500 acres for the dog plan. Perhaps someone through in Presidio Area B. I noticed when looking into this that our official acreage (Authorized) is 82,000 per NPS Lands Office. I'm meeting tomorrow to determine why this has changed from 80,000. I'll let you know what I discover. (Update...the new acreage has changed because the Lands Office revised the shoreline and bumped the boundary around some offshore islands per our original BLM surveys). We should talk more about this for next year's fact sheet.

Craig

On Tue, Feb 16, 2016 at 7:54 AM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:  
I see some acreages and shoreline miles on here. Can you confirm they are accurate?

Thank you.

Daphne

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Hello. This is the annual call for updates to our numbers- but this one is needed ASAP for the new regional director.

I appreciate any help you can provide by COB Tuesday.

Thanks

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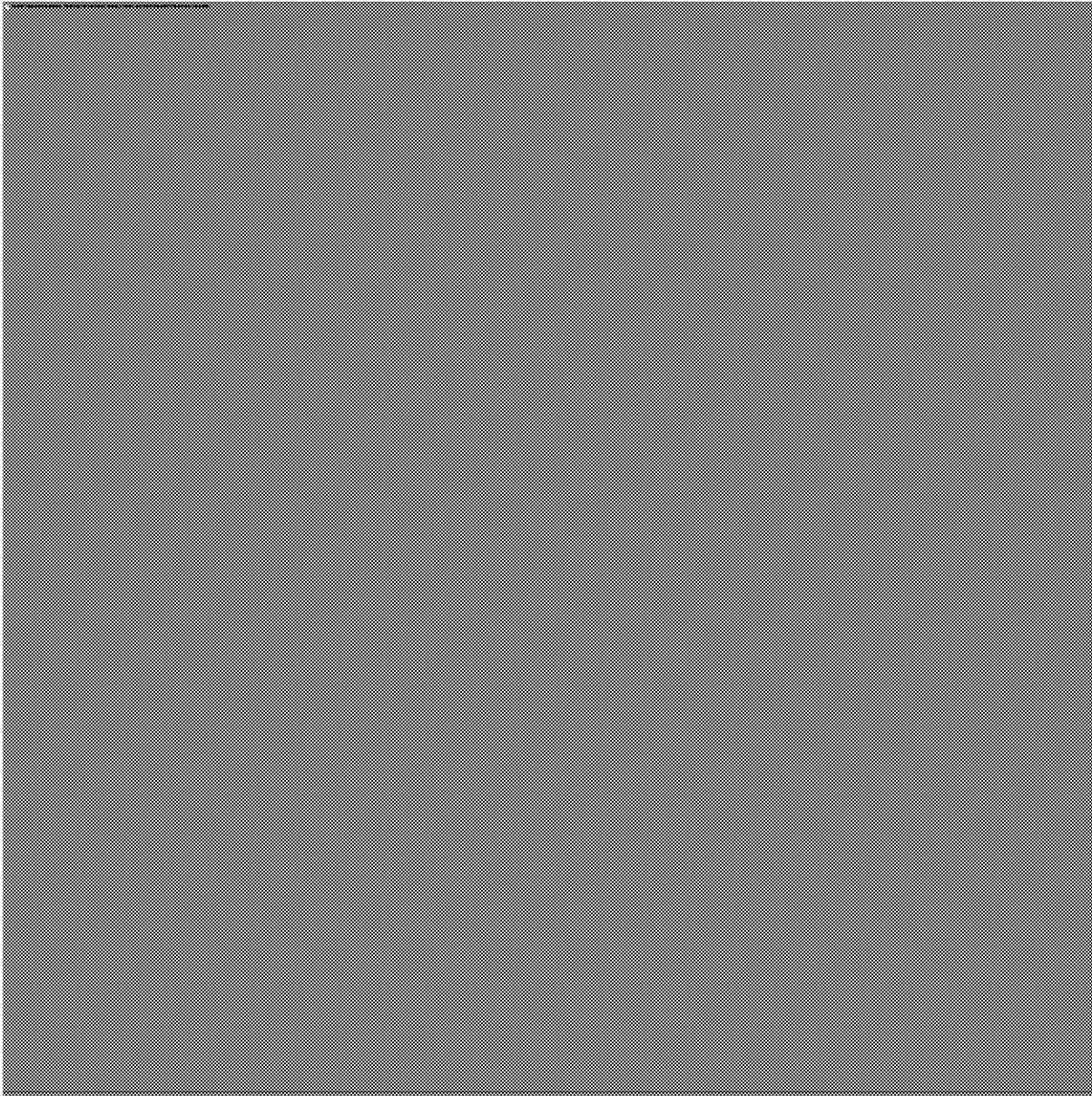
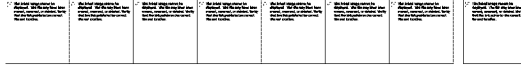
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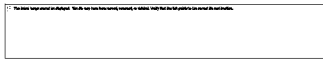
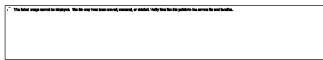
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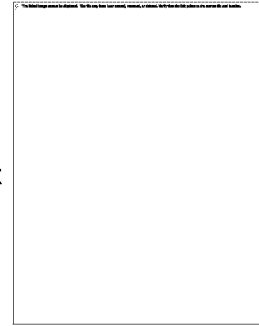
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Dear Friends of GGNRA:

I am pleased to announce the Proposed Rule for Dog Management in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) will open for a 60-day public comment period on February 24, 2016. This is an important step in the process to develop a federal rule on dog management in the GGNRA.



The Proposed Rule would amend the park's special regulations designating 22 locations for dog walking in the GGNRA. It is based on the Preferred Alternative described in the Draft Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) that was reviewed and commented on by the public in 2013/14. The Proposed Rule would designate where and how people would be able to enjoy the park with their dogs - both on- and off-leash - as well as places that would be dog free. It would define terms like "voice and sight control" that are essential to dog management. If ultimately implemented, the rule would ensure the protection of the park's natural and cultural resources and continue to provide recreational opportunities for a wide variety of park users. Comments on the Proposed Rule, along with comments previously received on the SEIS, will be used in developing the final plan and final rule, which are expected later this year.

GGNRA recognizes well-managed dog walking as a healthy and popular way to enjoy park lands. Under the Proposed Rule, the GGNRA would remain the most dog-friendly national park and the only national park in the United States to allow off-leash voice and sight control dog walking.

Under the Proposed Rule, off-leash dog walking would be allowed in seven areas in five different park locations including Fort Funston, the most popular dog walking area in the park. Dog walking would be allowed on almost one-third of the park's beach mileage, mostly off-leash, and one-third of the park's trail mileage would be available for visitors to walk their dogs on-leash. There would also be

dog free beach and picnic area options. Specific areas would be identified for commercial dog walking.

#### Public Meetings

Please join us at a public meeting in Marin, San Francisco, or San Mateo County to discuss the Proposed Rule, ask questions, and learn about the public comment and planning process. [Click here for meeting details](#). If your organization would like us to speak at your next meeting about the Proposed Rule, please call us at (415) 561-4728.

#### Where to find/comment on the Proposed Rule

To download a copy of the Proposed Rule on February 24, 2016, please visit [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (Search RIN: 1024-AE16). It is also available for public inspection on February 23, 2016, at [www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection](http://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection) (search: Golden Gate Dog Management). If you have questions about the Proposed Rule or would like to request a hard copy, please call (415) 561-4728 or [goga\\_dogmgt@nps.gov](mailto:goga_dogmgt@nps.gov). Please note that comments on the Proposed Rule will be accepted through April 25, 2016, at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (Search RIN: 1024-AE16), or via letter to: Superintendent, GGNRA, Dog Management Proposed Rule, Building 201 Fort Mason, San Francisco, California, 94123.

Your comments on the Proposed Rule will play an important role in the development of the final plan and rule, which are expected later this year. We welcome your participation in the process. For more information on dog management planning and the Proposed Rule, please visit our [website](#).

Sincerely,

Christine Lehnertz  
Superintendent

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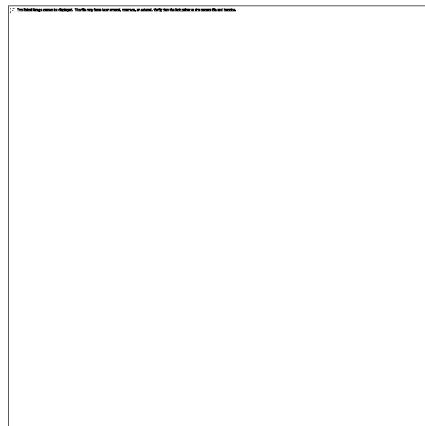
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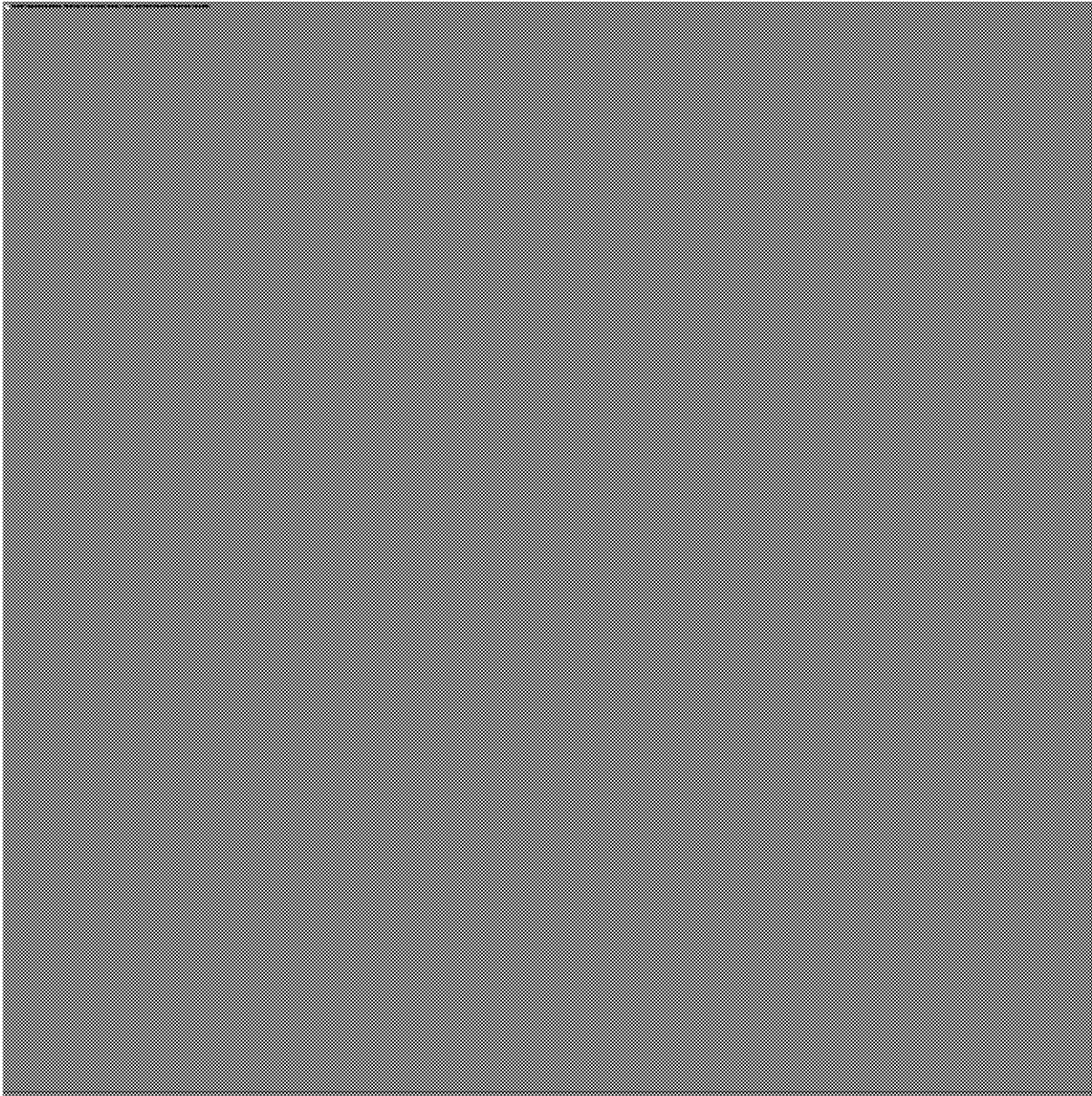
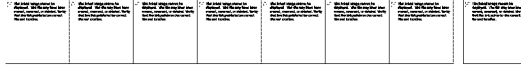


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The public comment period on the Proposed Rule for Dog Management in Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) has been extended an additional 30 days at the request of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi. It will now run for a total of 90 days from February 24 through May 25, 2016.

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Your comments on the Proposed Rule will play an

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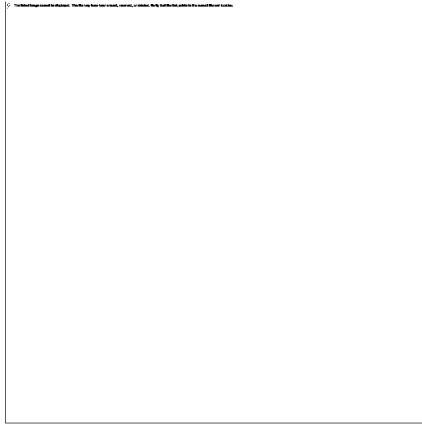
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**Sent:** 2/26/2016 8:36:41 AM  
**To:** Aleutia\_Scott@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Re: InsideNPS - Headlines

It would be so nice if this were the end! Hope you're doing well!

Daphne

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 26, 2016, at 8:10 AM, "[Aleutia\\_Scott@nps.gov](mailto:Aleutia_Scott@nps.gov)" <[Aleutia\\_Scott@nps.gov](mailto:Aleutia_Scott@nps.gov)> wrote:  
GOOD LUCK with this. Hopefully this is the end of this laborious process ...  
The following article was sent from InsideNPS. The article can be found at  
<http://inside.nps.gov/index.cfm?handler=viewnpsnewsarticle&type=Announcements&id=18354>.

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA  
**Golden Gate National Recreation Area Releases Proposed Rule for Dog Management**

*Action Opens 60-day Public Review and Comment Period*

**San Francisco** –The Proposed Rule for Dog Management in Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) will open for a 60-day public comment from February 24 through April 25\*, 2016 on [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (search: "RIN 1024-AE16"). **Comment period extended 30 days through May 25, 2016** If implemented, the rule would ensure the protection of the park's natural and cultural resources and continue to provide recreational opportunities for a wide variety of park users.

The Proposed Rule would amend the park's special regulations by designating 22 locations for dog walking in the GGNRA. It is based on the Preferred Alternative described in the Draft Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) that was reviewed and commented on by the public in 2013/14.

The Proposed Rule reflects the National Park Service's position that walking a dog is a fun, healthy and popular way to enjoy and explore Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Under the Proposed Rule, GGNRA will be able to provide a safer and more balanced park experience for all visitors. The National Park Service seeks to reduce conflicts by providing space for all types of users, to protect park resources, and to clarify where and how park visitors can enjoy the park with their dogs - ensuring GGNRA remains the most dog friendly park in the nation.

Under the Proposed Rule, off-leash dog walking would be allowed in seven areas in five different park locations including Fort Funston, the most popular dog walking area in the park. Dog walking would be allowed on almost one-third of the park's beach mileage, mostly off-leash, and one-third of the park's trail mileage would be available for visitors to walk their dogs on-leash. There would also be dog free beach and picnic area options. Specific areas would be identified for commercial dog walking.

"Under the Proposed Rule, the GGNRA would remain the most dog-friendly national park in the United States," said GGNRA Superintendent Christine Lehnertz. "This rule would ensure the protection of the park's natural and cultural resources and continue to provide recreational opportunities for a wide variety of park users while improving the safety of visitors, employees, and pets."

The park will hold public meetings on the Proposed Rule during the 60-day review and comment period, in San Mateo, San Francisco, and Marin counties. Dates and locations will be announced separately.

Comments on the Proposed Rule may be submitted in two ways:

- Online through the Federal Register website: [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (search: "RIN 1024-AE16").
- By mail addressed to the Superintendent, GGNRA, Dog Management Proposed Rule, Building 201, Fort Mason, San Francisco, CA, 94123.

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The Proposed Rule is an important step in the process to develop a federal rule on dog management in the GGNRA. The National Park Service expects to have a final environmental impact statement, a record of decision, and a final regulation in place by late 2016.

### ***Comment period extended 30 days through May 25, 2016***

**San Francisco** –The public comment period on the Proposed Rule for Dog Management in Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) has been extended by 30 days at the request of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi. The public comment period will run for 90 days from **February 24 through May 25, 2016**.

Superintendent Chris Lehnertz said today "We share Congresswoman Pelosi's desire to engage the public in a meaningful discussion on this complicated issue, and are therefore extending the comment period by 30 days."

The Proposed Rule would amend the park's special regulations by designating 22 locations for dog walking in the GGNRA. It is based on the Preferred Alternative described in the Draft Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) that was reviewed and commented on by the public in 2013/14.

Comments on the Proposed Rule may be submitted in two ways:

- Online through the Federal Register website: [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (search: "RIN 1024-AE16").
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**From:** Freeman, Adrienne [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/29/2016 5:17:04 PM  
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**Subject:** Training for public meetings on Proposer Rule for Dog Management

Hi, all--

We are starting to look at organizing public meetings and staff participation for the proposed rule for dog management. Currently we have 6 meetings scheduled, two in each county, and they are expected to run from 6-8pm. However, staff will be required to be there at 5pm, and likely stay until all questions are answered.

Here is the list of public meetings:

- Tuesday, March 22, 6:00-8:00pm at Farallone View Elementary School, Montara
- Wednesday, March 23, 6:00-8:00pm at Bay Model Visitor Center, Sausalito
- Thursday, March 24, 6:00-8:00pm at Fort Mason Center, Gallery 308, San Francisco
- Tuesday, March 29, 6:00-8:00pm at Golden Gate Park, County Fair Building, San Francisco
- Wednesday, March 30, 6:00-8:00pm at Tam Valley Community Center, Mill Valley\*
- Thursday, March 31, 6:00-8:00pm at Pacifica Community Center, Pacifica

\*subject to change - looking into booking Bay Model

The meetings will utilize an outside facilitator and are being designed to meet the following goals:

- To allow people to understand the proposed rule, and where to get factual information
- To present a safe opportunity for people to learn and voice their opinions
- To educate people in how to comment on the proposed rule

We are still in the process of formalizing the meeting flow and agenda, but are looking at:

1. some form of general public information session (power point, most likely) followed by questions specifically on the proposed rule, with subject matter experts available to answer those questions.
2. Limited time for the public to speak to us about their opinions, no response from us intended
3. An open house type set up where people can get specific information, staffed by subject matter experts.

You are receiving this email because your name is on the list as a possible participant, or a supervisor of possible participants. We are not expecting necessarily for the same person to attend all 6 meetings, but it would be great if the same people could attend (at a minimum) both meetings in a county, so there are familiar faces. (So, for example, have the same person attend both Marin meetings, and someone different for the SF meetings.)

We really want this to be as safe and pleasant as possible, so we're proposing some training sessions beforehand to work with the facilitator and assure that our roles and responsibilities are clear and understood, and so we have consistent expectations about meeting outcomes.

During the two scheduled weeks of meetings, we will also be following up weekly with an After Action Review to help us de-stress and talk about what could be changed/improved.

Start thinking about who you have available to help with meetings, and let us know who you can commit. Also, stay tuned for a Doodle poll to help schedule trainings with the facilitator. We'll probably put on a few, with the goal of getting everyone who's participating to at least one.

Thanks,

Adrienne

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Winter Hours: Monday- Thursday, 7:30am to 6pm

**Adrienne Freeman**

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/7/2016 4:45:04 PM  
**To:** Alexandra Picavet [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: story about dog management for Earth Island Journal

here is a draft:

\*What are the main negative effects of dogs on habitat?

One of the main observable impacts is dogs chasing wildlife. GGNRA has important overwintering habitat for many species of shorebirds, including federally threatened western snowy plovers. Shorebirds react to dogs at a greater distance and are more likely to fly (compared to walking away) when compared to disturbance from humans without pets or other sources of disturbance. In addition, short flights have been identified as being particularly energetically costly for small birds. Reduced time foraging or resting, or flying from preferred foraging areas, could have cumulative impacts on reproduction and survivorship for these birds. The park also has observations of dogs chasing other wildlife, mainly deer, but this is less frequently observed.

Dogs also have been shown to affect the distribution, abundance, and habitat use by wildlife. This may be a factor of dog's presence, but also scent marking. Published research has demonstrated reduced abundance of deer, squirrels, rabbits and bobcats along areas that allow dogs compared to control areas without dogs. Carnivore species as a group showed a strong aversion to trailheads where dog use and waste was most concentrated; this effect was strongly reduced in areas on trails away from trailheads, and the effect was not present in trailheads where dogs were not allowed. Another study found that dog use reduced bird abundance and diversity, particularly for ground-dwelling birds, and that birds did not habituate to this repeated disturbance.

Also, dogs can trample or dig vegetation. Dog waste is a nutrient source that can affect plants and water bodies, and dogs may be a source for the spread of invasive plant seed. Dogs entering wetlands can disturb wildlife in these sensitive habitats, and also dislodge amphibian egg masses, which could be particularly problematic for threatened California red-legged frogs. Finally, dogs can be a source of disease transmission to wildlife.

\*One concern that surprised me is the way the smell or sound of dogs can actually deter predators like coyotes and mountain lions from entering dog-friendly areas. What effect do dogs have on the habitat/ range of predator species? Is this a consideration when determining dog-friendly areas in parks?

See paragraph 2 above. These upper level predators are key parts of terrestrial ecosystems.

A variety of factors was used in developing our dog management plan. First and foremost was providing for a variety of visitor uses and experiences in the park and providing for visitor and staff safety. Other factors were: protection of habitat for sensitive or threatened and endangered species, **providing for large areas of contiguous habitat (for wide ranging mammals (e.g. lions, coyotes, and bobcats) and for habitat connectivity/corridors)**, attempting to focus dog walking opportunities along the edge of the park or in developed areas where demand for these opportunities is greatest, and to attempt to balance dog walking opportunities geographically.

So, yes we did use information about the potential for dogs to affect carnivores in trying to plan where dog walking would be allowed. In our planning, we identified large areas of contiguous habitat in the Marin Headlands, Sweeney Ridge, and Rancho Corral de Tierra that would benefit lions, coyotes, and bobcats, as well as other wildlife.

\*What is one thing you wish dog owners realized or knew about the effects of dogs on the animals and habitat of the parks?

The GGNRA has an incredible diversity of native plant and animal communities, including 37 species of federally listed threatened and endangered species. Although the park is adjacent to development and a large urban center, this may make our efforts to protect sensitive wildlife and habitats in this area that much more important. For the reasons described above, I would really like for people to be more aware that bringing their pet to the park does affect wildlife and habitat. However, by abiding to the proposed park regulations which identify where dogs can be off-leash, are required to be on leash, and areas that are closed to dogs will help to minimize the potential for adverse impacts to park wildlife.

Bill Merkle, Ph.D.  
Wildlife Ecologist  
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415-289-1843



On Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 10:59 AM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:  
I will take a stab at drafting some answers to these questions and run them by you both.

-Bill

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From: **Jessi Phillips** <[phillips.jessi@nps.gov](mailto:phillips.jessi@nps.gov)> **Ex. 6**  
Date: Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 10:56 AM  
Subject: Re: story about dog management for Earth Island Journal  
To: "Merkle, William" <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)>

Hi Bill,

Thanks for getting back to me. That will work. Just a few questions:

\*What are the main negative effects of dogs on habitat?

\*One concern that surprised me is the way the smell or sound of dogs can actually deter predators like coyotes and mountain lions from entering dog-friendly areas. What effect do dogs have on the habitat/ range of predator species? Is this a consideration when determining dog-friendly areas in parks?

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Thank you for your time,

Jessi

On Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 10:25 AM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Jessi,

I am not available for a call today, but could probably answer questions over email.

Best, Bill

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On Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 8:04 AM, Jessi Phillips <phillips.jessi@Ex. 6 > wrote:  
Hello Bill,

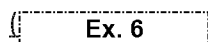
Adrienne Freeman passed your name onto me as a possible source for a story about the impact of dogs on wildlife. Is there any chance we could chat today? I have to turn this in tomorrow. I'm free today from 12-1 and 3-4:30, or after 6:30.

Thank you,

Jessi Phillips

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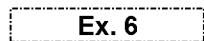
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**PRESIDIO TRUST**

**36 CFR Part 1002**

**Public Use Limit on Commercial Dog Walking**

**AGENCY:** The Presidio Trust

**ACTION:** Proposed final rule and request for comments.

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**SUMMARY:** The Presidio Trust (Trust) is proposing a public use limit on dog walkers who are walking four or more dogs at one time (commercial dog walkers) in Area B of the Presidio of San Francisco (Presidio or Trust-managed lands). The rule would require any such dog walker in Area B to obtain and comply with a National Park Service (NPS) permit when walking dogs in Area B of the Presidio of San Francisco (Presidio or Trust lands), and prohibit a dog walker from having more than six dogs at one time. The rule would replace the Trust interim rule regarding commercial dog walking that went into effect in October 2014 following the NPS interim public use restriction and permit requirement for commercial dog walkers that Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) adopted in June 2014. The Trust expects to adopt the rule early next year after the effective date of the NPS proposed rule to amend its special regulations for GGNRA regarding dog walking, which would supersede the interim permit requirement.

**DATES:** Comments will be accepted through [60 days from FR notice].

**ADDRESSES:** Electronic comments may be sent to [commercialdogwalking@presidiotrust.gov](mailto:commercialdogwalking@presidiotrust.gov). Written comments may be mailed or hand delivered to John Pelka, The Presidio Trust, 103 Montgomery Street, P.O. Box 29052, San Francisco, CA 94129. All written comments submitted to the Trust will be considered, and this rule may be modified accordingly. The final decision of the Trust will be published in the Federal Register.

*Public Availability of Comments:* If individuals submitting comments request that their address or other contact information be withheld from public disclosure, it will be honored to the extent allowable by law. Such requests must be stated prominently at the beginning of the comments. The Trust will make available for public inspection all submissions from organizations or businesses and from persons identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations and businesses. Anonymous comments may not be considered.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Pelka, Compliance Manager, Presidio Trust, 415.561.5300 or [commercialdogwalking@presidiotrust.gov](mailto:commercialdogwalking@presidiotrust.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The 1,491-acre former U.S. Army base known as the Presidio is part of and is at the center of the GGNRA. Administrative jurisdiction over the Presidio is divided between the Trust and the NPS. The



Trust oversees the interior 1,100 acres, Area B, and the NPS oversees approximately 300 acres along the waterfront, Area A, of the national park site. Commercial dog walkers have been regularly using the Presidio for at least fifteen years. According to the most recent (2015) estimates by GGNRA, roughly 270 commercial dog walkers use the GGNRA during any given day and approximately 50 (18 percent) of these commercial dog walkers walk their dogs within Area B. Most often-used areas include the corridor adjoining West Pacific Avenue from the Broadway Gate to the 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gate, as well as the areas east of the Ecology Trail in the Tennessee Hollow Watershed.

### **Interim Permits**

Under 36 CFR 1001.5, the Trust may impose reasonable public use limits in Area B, given a determination that such action is necessary to maintain public health and safety, to protect environmental or scenic values, to protect natural or cultural resources, or to avoid conflict among visitor use activities. In reaction to limits placed on commercial dog walkers in San Francisco and in partnership with the NPS, on August 19, 2014, the Trust adopted an interim rule imposing a public use limit on commercial dog walkers (currently defined as persons who are walking four or more dogs at one time in Area for consideration) (see: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-08-19/pdf/2014-19514.pdf>). The interim rule requires any such commercial dog walker in Area B to obtain a permit from NPS. Commercial dog walkers are limited to no more than six dogs at any one time and are required to comply with the terms and conditions of the NPS permit as well as those rules and regulations otherwise applicable to Area B of the Presidio, and to visibly display their permits when engaging in commercial dog walking activities within Area B. To obtain an NPS permit, applicants must submit a business license, proof of liability insurance, and proof of successfully completing a dog-handling training course that is accepted by the NPS. The NPS commercial dog walking permit requirement is a compendium amendment for all GGNRA lands in San Francisco and Marin Counties that allow dog walking, and was implemented concurrently with the Trust's rule. Both were foreseen as interim actions to remain in place until the permit requirements would be superseded by adoption of the final GGNRA dog walking special regulation and the Trust's issuance of a final rule following public input and comment. The Trust received 31 comment letters on the interim rule, which were responded to in the Federal Register notice.

### **Changes to Interim Permits**

On February 24, 2016, the NPS announced its proposed rule for dog management in the GGNRA that would amend its special regulations for GGNRA regarding dog walking (see: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-02-24/pdf/2016-03731.pdf>). Comments on the NPS proposed rule are being accepted until May 25, 2016 for use in developing a final rule, which is expected later this year. Among other elements, the NPS proposed rule describes commercial dog walking opportunities and requirements, and adds restrictions for walking four to six dogs under an NPS permit. Proposed modifications to the interim public use restriction and permit requirement for commercial dog walkers include specifying areas, times and conditions under which the activity may occur. The Federal Register notice stated that the NPS proposed rule would not change the Trust's interim rule relating to commercial dog walking on Trust lands. However, under the Trust's rule, commercial dog walkers would need to comply with the new terms and conditions of an NPS dog walking permit while walking four to six dogs at one time in Area B. Principal changes to the NPS permitting program include requiring all dogs to have a current rabies vaccination and limiting times for permitted dog walking of four to six dogs

to Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. only. These restrictions would apply to areas open to commercial dog walking in Area B.

### **Dog Walking in Area B**

To the extent not modified by the NPS proposed rule, dog walking in Area B would continue to be managed in accordance with the Trust's regulations in 36 CFR part 1001 *et seq.* adopted in 1998, which require that dogs be on-leash where dog walking is allowed. The regulation applies to all areas open to dog walking in Area B except West Pacific, which was formerly designated an off-leash "voice control" dog walking area under a 1996 compendium amendment by the NPS when Area B was under its jurisdiction (click on: [NPS 1996 Compendium Amendment.pdf](#); to be posted on Trust Web site). The Trust considers the area to be a "no-change" baseline use that would be subject to public notice and comment before taking management actions to prohibit off-leash dog walking. The maps referenced in the attachments to the 1996 compendium amendment indicating the West Pacific voice control area are available on the Trust Web site (click on: [NPS 1996 Compendium Amendment Attachments.pdf](#); to be posted on Trust Web site).

### **Changes to the interim rule**

The Trust is amending the interim rule to eliminate the distinction between commercial dog walkers and dog walkers walking between four and six dogs at one time. The term "for consideration" is deleted from the interim rule to be consistent and improve compliance with the NPS proposed rule. Deleting the term makes clear that any dog walker walking between four and six dogs will be considered a commercial dog walker and must obtain an NPS permit. The permit display language in the rule will also be changed to more closely reflect the NPS proposed rule without changing the rule content to aid both public understanding and enforcement.

### **Regulatory and Environmental Compliance**

*Regulatory Impact:* This rule will not have an annual effect of \$100 million or more on the economy nor adversely affect productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State or local or tribal governments or communities. It will not interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency or raise new legal or policy issues. In short, little or no effect on the national economy will result from adoption of the rule. Because the rule is not "economically significant," it is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866 or Executive Order 13536. This rule is not a "major rule" under the Congressional review provisions of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*

The Trust has determined and certifies pursuant to the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, that this rule will not have a significant economic effect on a substantial number of small entities. This certification is based on information contained in the economic analyses found in the report entitled "Economic Analysis of the Proposed Rule for Dog Management in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area" (see link: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/getinvolved/upload/econ-prop-rule.pdf>), which takes into account commercial dog walkers operating in Area B. The analysis concludes that impacts to most commercial dog walking operations are expected to be minor (approximately \$550 per business). Revenue impacts could be substantially lower if businesses are able to adjust pricing, the number of walks, walking destination and/or the number of dog walkers used.

The Trust has determined and certifies pursuant to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act, 2 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*, that this rule will not impose a cost of \$100 million or more in any given year on local, State, or tribal governments or private entities.

*Environmental Impact:* The NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, and the Trust's NEPA regulations, 36 CFR 1010.16 encourage cooperation with other governmental agencies in the preparation of environmental analyses and documentation. Furthermore, the adoption of one Federal agency's environmental document by another Federal agency is an efficiency that the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations provide (40 CFR 1506.3). The Trust was a cooperating agency with special expertise for the GGNRA interim commercial dog walking permit requirement and for the GGNRA dog walking special regulations under the NEPA and the CEQ regulations (an agency is considered to have special expertise when it has a related "statutory responsibility, agency mission, or... program experience" (40 CFR 1508.26)). At the request of the GGNRA, the Trust participated in the development of the interim permit requirement from the outset. The Trust also submitted comments on the Draft Dog Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (draft EIS) (click on: *Trust Comments on NPS Dog Management Draft EIS.pdf*; to be posted on Trust Web site) and reviewed the draft Dog Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (draft SEIS) to ascertain that its comments and suggestions were considered. The draft SEIS included a range of alternatives regarding commercial dog walking, including regulations requiring permits with time and place requirements (NPS proposed rule and preferred alternative) as well as the prohibition of commercial dog walking. The regulatory actions by the GGNRA and the Trust regarding commercial dog walking for Areas A and B are substantially the same. The Trust will independently review the final SEIS for adequacy under its NEPA regulations after the NPS final rule and a Record of Decision on the final SEIS has been issued. Upon concluding that the final SEIS satisfies its NEPA requirements, the Trust will adopt the final SEIS as NEPA compliance for this rule and will make it part of the administrative record of its rulemaking.

*Other Authorities:* The Trust has drafted and reviewed this rule in light of Civil Justice Reform, Executive Order 12988 and has determined that it meets the applicable standards provided in secs. 3(a) and (b) of that Order.

#### **List of Subjects in 36 CFR Part 1002**

National parks, Natural resources, Public lands, Recreation and recreation areas.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, part 1002 of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as set forth below:

#### **PART 1002—RESOURCE PROTECTION, PUBLIC USE AND RECREATION**

- 1. The authority citation for part 1002 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 460bb note.

- 2. Replace § 1002.6 to read as follows:

#### **§ 1002.6 Commercial Dog Walking.**

(a) The walking of more than six dogs at one time by any one person is prohibited within the area administered by the Presidio Trust.

(b) The walking of more than three dogs, with a limit of six dogs, at one time by any one person within the area administered by the Presidio Trust, where dog walking is otherwise allowed, is hereby authorized provided that:

(1) That person has a special use permit obtained from the National Park Service (NPS) for the use;

(2) The walking of more than three dogs, with a limit of six dogs, is done pursuant to the conditions of that permit; and

(3) The NPS-issued, permit identification by the permitted dog walker is displayed at all times when the permittee is walking four to six dogs within the area administered by the Presidio Trust.

Dated: March     , 2016.

**Andrea Andersen,**

*General Counsel.*

## San Mateo Hot topics:

- Concern for eliminating all access to Sweeney Ridge from Pacifica
  - Sweeney ridge trail and Baquiano are part of contiguous habitat with SFPUC watershed and other public lands with sensitive habitat and where wildlife and plants tend to be concentrated and more susceptible to disturbances by dogs. Many visitors also seek solitude away from developed spaces which is impacted for some by the presence of dogs. So, backcountry provides optys for less developed experience of nature and contiguous habitat free from impacts in more remote locations where enforcement may be difficult at times otherwise.
- Monitoring and Management program - by including language that says the Superintendent has authority to make changes to the plan, feel like we are circumventing the NEPA process.
  - EIS evaluates the effects of implementing the MMS program broadly. If additional NEPA compliance is required, NPS will conduct it.
  - Aside from NEPA, GGNRA is committed to engaging the public both in further developing MMS implementation strategies, and before any action is taken under MMS.
- Disappointed to see minimal change from SEIS to Proposed Rule.
  - We evaluated public comments carefully, and made as many changes as we could while still meeting our overall objectives. We received comments from many sides of the issue.
  - Yes. SEIS laid out balanced plan to meet our objectives. Evaluated voice and sight control areas also again; however, there were either resource concerns, public comment not wanting it near them, or inadequate options. Prop. Rule did: add 4 trail segments in Rancho from communities; created oppty to change Sharp park beach designation for limited GGNRA parcel as well as authority for Supt to consider mor eon-leash in any new trails established after further NEPA compliance. It also dropped Pedro Point so that local county planning could consider that for maintaining dog walking there.
- Why are there only out-and-back trails and no loops at Mori, Milagra and Sweeney?
  - Yes, with more understanding of these areas, they serve as natural habitats and a contiguous corridor for wildlife as well as densely concentrated plant species and less developed areas for those seeking solitude in nature. More specifically, Mori with two trails that misaligned or eroding, they eliminate the oppty for loops because the other main trail Lishumsha goes thru garter snake habitat and the bootlegger's trail entails steep steps and the only dog free hike to top. At Milagra, we are seeking to protect core habitat and resources while providing multiple experiences for both dogwalkers and those seeking a dog free hike within sensitive habitat. ON Sweeney ridge, see above #1.
- Why is there a 3 dog limit in San Mateo but 4-6 elsewhere?
  - San Mateo county has an ordinance that allows only 2 dogs in each residence; so, other dogwalking for more than 3 would be for compensation. NPS does not have the coastal beaches, landscaped bay area or developed, former military sites in San Mateo that it does in SF and Marin counties where that managed use is less of a threat to park resources on front country trails or poses conflicts with private dogwalkers walking less than four dogs. Many dog walkers also seek off-leash areas which NPS lands in San Mateo, for many of same reasons, does not offer. We also did not want to open up the park in San Mateo to further large groups of dogs and commercial dog walking which could result in traffic and parking problems, one of the concerns to neighbors there.
- Why is San Mateo the only county without off-leash?
  - Off-leash areas in SF and Marin were a part of a '79 Pet policy that was practice in those counties by fed court order despite a 1983 NPS wide regulation not allowing off-leash in natl parks until we complete rulemaking. All other areas fall under that NPS wide reg 2.15 which does not allow off-leash dog walking. We did nonetheless evaluate off-leash in San Mateo(see Chapter 2 pages 93-94), and found either resource issues or concerns amongst nearby residents about increased traffic and parking there.
- Reasons for restrictions to dog use seem conflicting - should be for public use as well, not just resource protection.
  - Resource protection is primary mandate under legal mandates as natl park. Whenever there are conservation and use conflicts, conservation must predominate, and conservation not just for now but future uses.

- That said, a central objective of the plan is to reduce visitor conflict and ensure a variety of visitor experiences, not just dog walking.
- There are no longer opportunities to do long runs or hikes with dogs in Pacifica.
  - This is also a regional issue that we hope can also be addressed by the county and regional coordinating body. The Old Mori trail up to and over to coastal trail and back down around highway 1 and back to town might be one possibility.
- Superintendent forum on KQED indicated that the reason we're developing this plan is to minimize conflicts between user groups. This may be necessary in busier areas of the park, but there are days we are on trails in Pacifica and never see another person. How is that a conflict with other users? Seems to apply blanket criteria to all of GGNRA, but each county is different.
  - Appreciate that. This plan must protect resources such as garter snake, red-legged frog and Mission blue end elfin butterflies( and their habitats) and help reduce visitor conflicts where they exist now or can be anticipated in the future.as our Organic Act mandates. This plan must take us thru the next 20-30 years at a minimum and set the foundation for protections beyond that. We must anticipate future visitation and uses increasing and plan for protection of resources accordingly.
- No dogs are allowed in SFPUC land, San Pedro Valley County Park and other surrounding large open space areas. There are ample places for contiguous habitat, do not see why NPS has to further eliminate.
  - That is our primary mandate – both through our national park service enabling legislation and GGNRA's own enabling legislation, and a responsibility of NPS to help create wildlife corridors with adjacent jurisdictions, where feasible, and bring back natural habitats that have become fragmented by use and development as one measure to maintain biodiversity at the species and genetic levels.
- There has not been enough information posted about these meetings. It is only targeting people who have signed up for GGNRA newsletter. Feel we should do a better job at getting this to locals who use the park, particularly by posting information about the changes (from current conditions to proposed rule) at trailheads and other locations. If federal agencies are not allowed to use NextDoor, need to develop better way to get the word out locally.
  - Mailing list has been developed over 15 years of dog planning, and anyone interested during any of the many meetings held on the issue has been able to add their name to the list.
  - Not only constant contact which everyone can sign up for, but also thru local groups and newspapers.

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**From:** Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/17/2016 3:46:28 PM  
**To:** Kristin Wheeler [wheeler.kristin@Ex. 6]; Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Alexandra Picavet [alexandra\_picavet@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [howard\_levitt@nps.gov]; Michael Savidge [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]; William Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; James Sword [james\_sword@nps.gov]; Adrienne Freeman [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]; Aaron Roth [aaron\_roth@nps.gov]; Susan Bennett [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]; Erin Heimbinder [eheimbinder@Ex. 6]; Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Brian Aviles [Brian\_Aviles@nps.gov]; Tania Pollak [tania\_pollak@partner.nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Expected San Mateo dog comments

Hi dog team

I attended my monthly Open Space and Parklands Advisory Committee meeting last night in Pacifica, and shared some information on the Proposed Rule and upcoming public meetings. In addition to the ~12 regular attendees (committee members, Pacifica Planning Department, and Mayor), 7 members from the public attended, including Christine Corwin from Montara Dog.

They asked some good questions/raised some concerns that we should be prepared to answer on Tuesday evening (and again in Pacifica the following week). Many of these we already expected, but wanted to pass them on regardless...

- Concern for eliminating all access to Sweeney Ridge from Pacifica
- Monitoring and Management program - by including language that says the Superintendent has authority to make changes to the plan, feel like we are circumventing the NEPA process.
- Disappointed to see minimal change from SEIS to Proposed Rule.
- Why are there only out-and-back trails and no loops at Mori, Milagra and Sweeney?
- Why is there a 3 dog limit in San Mateo but 4-6 elsewhere?
- Why is San Mateo the only county without off-leash?
- Reasons for restrictions to dog use seem conflicting - should be for public use as well, not just resource protection.
- There are no longer opportunities to do long runs or hikes with dogs in Pacifica.
- Superintendent forum on KQED indicated that the reason we're developing this plan is to minimize conflicts between user groups. This may be necessary in busier areas of the park, but there are days we are on trails in Pacifica and never see another person. How is that a conflict with other users? Seems to apply blanket criteria to all of GGNRA, but each county is different.
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Message

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**From:** Freeman, Adrienne [adrienne\_freeman@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/22/2016 1:45:44 PM  
**Subject:** UPDATED: County fact sheets

It has come to our attention that the number of dogs that can be walked in San Mateo is incorrect on the county fact sheet. You can walk up to **three** dogs in San Mateo County, and no permits will be issued for the county for more than three or for commercial dog walking.

Please let us know if you have questions...

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Winter Hours: Monday- Thursday, 7:30am to 6pm

**Adrienne Freeman**  
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**From:** Bennett, Susan [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/18/2016 6:04:10 PM  
**To:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: tuning up for Questions at public mtgs.

Hi Bill and Daphne,  
Can we chat about this on Monday over the phone?

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On Fri, Mar 18, 2016 at 5:17 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi all,

After a meeting with Chris today on San mateo county with Michael and Christine F and Howard, she noted that she wanted those at county stations, and part of Q & A(Bill and Daphne), to be able to identify both ***what specific resources are being protected and where (they exist or are most likely exist***, using the precautionary principle)*whenever we have referred to not allowing on-leash dog walking on trails thru sensitive species and its habitat* or have eliminated on-leash to preserve and protecting contiguous corridors(for what species).For example, along Mori Ridge trail in San Mateo and backcountry in Headlands.

Also, where resources was prime concern for eliminating off-leash to be able to articulate that, not as deep dive but informative response for example in San Mateo(proposed parking field off Highway 1 with wetlands?).

It is to be able to respond with credibility to knowing what resource we are protecting wherever we can.

Please prepare your selves to answer those questions for the county stations you are staffing from San Mateo and SF to Marin next week as well as provide some examples during Q and A when we get them.

Call me if you have questions.

Mike  
561-4725

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**From:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/30/2016 1:22:56 PM  
**To:** Michael Savidge [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Wildlife despite dogs

Hi Mike,

This is a complicated issue, to start, and the answer may differ based on different species.

First of all, NPS is managing these lands for a variety of different uses--not just for dogs; so decisions are not just natural resource based.

Ok, on to your question. A big part of what we do as Natural Resource managers is to reduce threats and stressors to improve habitat quality. As we look for ways to make systems more resilient to climate change a big focal area is reduce threats and stressors to these systems. For much of the wildlife that occur in the park reducing disturbance is a key area that we can improve overall habitat quality that may make populations more resilient to other stressors like rising temperatures or variable prey bases.

Under the lead of USFWS, we are a key partner in recovering threatened and endangered species. Often recovery plans dictate key actions to undertake to move towards species recovery. For example, improving habitat quality for overwintering snowy plovers is called out in the recovery plan. One step to doing this is to reduce disturbance to wintering snowy plover from dogs. Furthermore, dogs chasing snowy plovers could be interpreted as take under the ESA--and a situation where we have ongoing chasing/harassment of snowy plovers by dogs is not really something we can stand by as an acceptable desired management condition.

NPS Management Policies also direct us to preserve and protect native wildlife communities including protecting habitat and processes. Chasing and harassing wildlife is not allowed under NPS policies.

I attached a really good article on why population levels may not reflect disturbance levels--and clipped a key paragraph for you. The main idea is that that decision is based on the value of the habitat in comparison to and distance to neighboring habitats, predation risks or density of competitors, and investment in an existing territory. As a great example, Ocean Beach is the area with wide, sandy beach habitat between Limantour in Point Reyes to the north and Half Moon Bay to the south. So shorebirds and plovers may be staying at Ocean Beach despite high disturbance levels because it has higher ecological value than other close by areas.

Another difficult thing to address is that for some species, like shorebirds and plovers, we provide habitat for only part of their lifecycle. For the shorebirds and plovers, breeding success is a key driver of population levels (those are things we don't control). Migratory patterns and decisions or where birds decide to overwinter can be variable based on environmental conditions, weather patterns, and availability of other high quality areas. So our recent local increase of wintering snowy plovers is likely happening in spite of disturbance by off-leash dogs (high levels of non-compliance with our leash reg). Again, we are directed by USFWS and NPS Management Policies to address these threats--and I would argue that greater numbers of wintering plovers at Ocean Beach makes it that much more important to protect by reducing disturbance levels.

Frogs are not a great example, cause we didn't put a lot of weight on impacts to them in SEIS. I think the main direction for plan is to keep them out of wetland breeding habitat, which shouldn't be a hard sell. Darren has a documented case

of dogs getting in a breeding pond at

**54 USC Section 100707**

so these impacts can occur.

Otters are a recovering species in the SF Bay area. A real success story (similar to coyotes). I think their recovery is more related to release from persecution (e.g hunting/trapping) and improvements in water quality. I don't think we mentioned otters as impacted by dogs. Though, when we had the river otter Sutro Sam at Sutro Baths we actually had to put up signs, and do a lot of outreach to keep people from trying to have their dogs interact with the otter in the Baths.

Key paragraph from Gill et al. 2001.

Why avoidance of disturbance need not reflect population-level consequences

The decision of whether or not to move away from disturbed areas will be determined by factors such as the quality of the site currently being occupied, the distance to and quality of other suitable sites, the relative risk of predation or density of competitors in different sites and the investment that an individual has made in a site (for example, in establishing a territory, gaining dominance status or acquiring information). This is conceptually identical to the well accepted idea that the decisions made by animals of whether to move in response to predation risk depend on the availability and quality of other sites (e.g. Ydenberg and Dill, 1986). The response of animals to predation risk is exactly the same as the response to disturbance; a species with suitable habitat nearby may avoid disturbance simply because it has alternative sites to go to. By contrast, animals with no suitable habitat nearby will be forced to remain despite the disturbance, regardless of whether or not this will affect survival or reproductive success. This will also mean that avoidance behaviour may vary both temporally and between locations, depending on the prevailing local conditions.

-Bill

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On Wed, Mar 30, 2016 at 9:29 AM, Michael Savidge <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hey Bill, one of the issues that keeps popping up and will tonight is the fact that we have wildlife like otters and bobcats, and improvements in red-legged frog pop despite identifying dogs as perceived by them as predators. Can you help us with a good scientific response to that? Will be meeting with Chris today at 1pm. Thanks, mike

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2016, at 4:50 PM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

Here is final report and publication for USGS restoration study at Fort Funston.

-Bill

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2016 at 11:08 AM, Merkle, William <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

Here is the SFAN I&M 2009 spotted owl report.

I can get others if needed. They were doing a 2014/15 report that should be close to through the publication series process too.

-Bill

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2016 at 10:35 AM, Boltz, Suzanne <[sboltz@eaest.com](mailto:sboltz@eaest.com)> wrote:

Daphne

Some documents are considered confidential and we mark them that way, so when the reviewers for the FOIA request see that they know the documents contain information that cannot be released. We actually tag the file name, the admin record entry and place these in a special folder.

Michael can comment on what we can and can't keep out of the FOIA, but we do have documents w sensitive information and we work to make them crystal clear to prevent sensitive data being released inadvertently.

Suzie

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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [mailto:[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 23, 2016 1:32 PM

**To:** Michael Edwards; Boltz, Suzanne; Michael Savidge; Howard Levitt

**Cc:** Alison Forrestel; Bill Merkle

**Subject:** Fwd: GOGA Dog Mgmt Plan/EIS - Missing References

Hi All,

We have concerns about posting the 2004 Rare Plant report as there are maps of extremely sensitive locations included in the report. I've asked Alison how easy/difficult it would be to provide without the maps and will let you know what she says. How shall we proceed?

I don't think we'll have the same issue with the Spotted Owl report, but it's possible.

Daphne

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From: **Forrestel, Alison** <[alison\\_forrestel@nps.gov](mailto:alison_forrestel@nps.gov)>

Date: Tue, Mar 22, 2016 at 3:05 PM

Subject: Re: GOGA Dog Mgmt Plan/EIS - Missing References

To: "Hatch, Daphne" <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>

Hi Daphne --

I have some concerns about posting the rare plant report online because it has maps of all of our special status plant species. Thoughts on how to proceed?

Alison

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2016 at 12:24 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi there,



This is an urgent request for copies (preferably digital) of the reports identified in the attached email. We are currently in the process of posting all of the references in the Dog Mgt SEIS on-line and need these ASAP.

Thank you!!!

Daphne

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From: **Boltz, Suzanne** <[sboltz@eaest.com](mailto:sboltz@eaest.com)>

Date: Tue, Mar 8, 2016 at 11:33 AM

Subject: GOGA Dog Mgmt Plan/EIS - Missing References

To: "[Abby Sue Fisher@nps.gov](mailto:Abby_Sue_Fisher@nps.gov)" <[Abby\\_Sue\\_Fisher@nps.gov](mailto:Abby_Sue_Fisher@nps.gov)>, "Hatch, Daphne ([daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov))" <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>, "[Brian Aviles@nps.gov](mailto:Brian_Aviles@nps.gov)" <[Brian\\_Aviles@nps.gov](mailto:Brian_Aviles@nps.gov)>

Cc: "Michael J Savidge ([Michael\\_J\\_Savidge@nps.gov](mailto:Michael_J_Savidge@nps.gov))" <[Michael\\_J\\_Savidge@nps.gov](mailto:Michael_J_Savidge@nps.gov)>, "Edwards, Michael ([michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov))" <[michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov)>, "Matkowski, Jeannette" <[jematkowski@eaest.com](mailto:jematkowski@eaest.com)>

Abby Sue, Daphne and Brian,

Hello! We have compiled the references cited in the SEIS. Unfortunately there are a few references from NPS that we do not have copies of in our file. Since they all seem to come from NPS I am hopeful you or your staff can help us track these down. I have listed them below and separated them by resource (cultural, natural, planning). I originally sent this information to Mike Savidge and he asked that I forward the request directly to you to expedite the process.

Please let me know how I can help, thanks in advance for your help with this

Suzie Boltz

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**From:** Boltz, Suzanne

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 08, 2016 12:58 PM

**To:** Michael J Savidge ([Michael\\_J\\_Savidge@nps.gov](mailto:Michael_J_Savidge@nps.gov))

**Cc:** Edwards, Michael ([michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov))

**Subject:** FW: Missing References

Hi Mike,

We are working to get all the documents cited in the SEIS for the FOIA request. All but a few are currently available and CDs can be made when you prefer.

Meantime, there are a few references from the park that we do not have in-house and need help acquiring. If you like, I can reach out myself to others in the park to obtain, or you can. We sent the analysis below to Michael and he asked that we forward to you and copy him. I have copied Jeannette's analysis from the original email, below, to the body of this to save you scrolling through the history.

Please let me know if you would like me to reach out to other park staff to track down the missing references identified below.

Thanks

Suzie

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**Finally, there are a few instances in the reference list where the same reference is listed two different times, under 2 different names. These will be cleaned up for the FEIS, meantime, this information should be made available w the reference list so users looking for a reference cited incorrectly can track to the correct reference.**

NPS 2009d and GGNPC 2010d - Prescribed Fire to Help Endangered Mission Blue Butterfly – NPS 2009 is correct

NPS 2006e and 2010e – Mori Point Restoration and Trail Plan – 2006e is correct

NPS 2009k and NPS/CSLC 2007 – FEIS/EIR, GGNRA/Point Reyes National Seashore Marin County, Giacomini Wetland Restoration Project. 2007 is when the EIS was released.

Seeing Eye Dog 2011 and Kutsch 2011 - Dog Attacks

Sime 1999 and Denny 1974 – The Impact of Uncontrolled Dogs on Wildlife and Livestock. – Sime 1999 is correct

USFWS 2009c and USFWS 2006 – California Reg Legged Frog Critical Habitat Designation – 2009 is correct

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**To:** Edwards, Michael ([michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov))  
**Cc:** Matkowski, Jeannette  
**Subject:** FW: Missing References

Hi Michael,

We have completed our review. All documents we have are set aside and CDs can be prepared. Unfortunately there are a few NPS documents that we do not have and cannot access, these are detailed below. I believe the park will have these as most are park generated documents.

Two documents are cultural resource documents that may not be available due to sensitive information.

Would you like me to reach out to Mike Savidge to see if he can help us locate these documents? Some will be with cultural resources staff, some with natural resources and some with planning.

Also, Jeannette noted that there are some references where an incorrect reference was cited. This information should be provided with the CD so that users can map the correct reference to the incorrect and locate the desired reference. We have the correct references, and will fix this in the FEIS.

Let me know if you want to talk about this

Thanks

Suzie



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Seeing Eye Dog 2011 and Kutsch 2011 - Dog Attacks

Sime 1999 and Denny 1974 – The Impact of Uncontrolled Dogs on Wildlife and Livestock. – Sime 1999 is correct

USFWS 2009c and USFWS 2006 – California Reg Legged Frog Critical Habitat Designation – 2009 is correct

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Short note

# Why behavioural responses may not reflect the population consequences of human disturbance

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## Abstract

The effect of human disturbance on animals is frequently measured in terms of changes in behaviour in response to human presence. The magnitude of these changes in behaviour is then often used as a measure of the relative susceptibility of species to disturbance; for example species which show strong avoidance of human presence are often considered to be in greater need of protection from disturbance than those which do not. In this paper we discuss whether such changes in behaviour are likely to be good measures of the relative susceptibility of species, and suggest that their use may result in confusion when determining conservation priorities. © 2000 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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## 1. Introduction

A widely studied issue in conservation biology is the potential impact of human disturbance on animal populations (Stalmaster and Newman, 1978; Bélanger and Bédard, 1989; Stockwell et al., 1991; Pfister et al., 1992; Reijnen et al., 1995; Andersen et al., 1996; Gill et al., 1996). Assessments of whether disturbance affects a population, and how severe that effect is, currently rely on proximate measures of the impact of disturbance; usually the behavioural response of the species in question to human presence. Thus, many studies have demonstrated that animals will avoid areas where humans are present (Stalmaster and Newman, 1978; Burger, 1981; Tuite et al., 1984; Sutherland and Crookford, 1993; Klein et al., 1995; Reijnen et al., 1995; Gill, 1996; Gander and Ingold, 1997) and that some species show a greater degree of avoidance than others (Cooke, 1980; Burger and Gochfield, 1991; Smit and Visser, 1993; Rodgers and Smith, 1995). These data have then been suggested as a means of assessing conservation

priorities with respect to the impact of disturbance on populations (Burger, 1981; Tuite et al., 1984; Klein et al., 1995).

For example, a great deal of attention has been given to the impact of disturbance on waterfowl species such as wigeon (*Anas penelope*). This is because of the tendency of such species to show strong avoidance of humans (Tuite et al., 1984, Mayhew, 1988; Madsen, 1995), the huge local decreases in number that can occur when disturbance has increased (Hirons and Thomas, 1993) and the increases in number observed when disturbance is removed from sites (Madsen, 1998). By contrast, species which do not avoid disturbed areas are often considered as requiring little or no protection from disturbance. Thus, Klein et al. (1995) present data on the extent to which different bird species avoid human presence, and conclude that species showing the greatest avoidance require the greatest amount of protection. Similarly, Burger (1981) found differences in the redistribution in response to humans between gulls, wildfowl and shorebirds and suggested that, as shorebirds showed the greatest avoidance, they were the most vulnerable and human activity should be restricted around areas with shorebirds. Tuite et al. (1984) assessed the extent to which numbers of different species of

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waterfowl were reduced by the presence of recreational activities on lakes and concluded that disturbance was an important issue for those species whose numbers were lower than expected but not for those species whose numbers did not change.

From a conservation perspective, human disturbance of wildlife is important only if it affects survival or fecundity and hence causes a population to decline. It is therefore vital for conservationists to know whether avoidance of disturbance does in fact result in population change (Sutherland, 1996; Sutherland, 1998; Gill and Sutherland, 2000). In this paper we discuss whether avoidance of disturbance is likely to be a good measure of population-level effects and suggest that the use of avoidance and other behavioural measures of the impact of disturbance, may result in confusion when determining conservation priorities.

## 2. Why avoidance of disturbance need not reflect population-level consequences

The decision of whether or not to move away from disturbed areas will be determined by factors such as the quality of the site currently being occupied, the distance to and quality of other suitable sites, the relative risk of predation or density of competitors in different sites and the investment that an individual has made in a site (for example, in establishing a territory, gaining dominance status or acquiring information). This is conceptually identical to the well accepted idea that the decisions made by animals of whether to move in response to predation risk depend on the availability and quality of other sites (e.g. Ydenberg and Dill, 1986). The response of animals to predation risk is exactly the same as the response to disturbance; a species with suitable habitat nearby may avoid disturbance simply because it has alternative sites to go to. By contrast, animals with no suitable habitat nearby will be forced to remain despite the disturbance, regardless of whether or not this will affect survival or reproductive success. This will also mean that avoidance behaviour may vary both temporally and between locations, depending on the prevailing local conditions.

Fig. 1 illustrates how the argument that species which show the greatest avoidance of disturbance are also the most vulnerable can be turned on its head. The relationship between disturbance and the relative number of animals across sites is shown for two different levels of availability of alternative habitat and fitness costs of disturbance (i.e. the decline in survival or reproductive success that will result from exposure to disturbance). Species with little suitable habitat available elsewhere (Fig. 1c and 1d) cannot show marked avoidance of disturbance even if the fitness costs are high, whereas species with many alternative sites to move to (Fig. 1a and

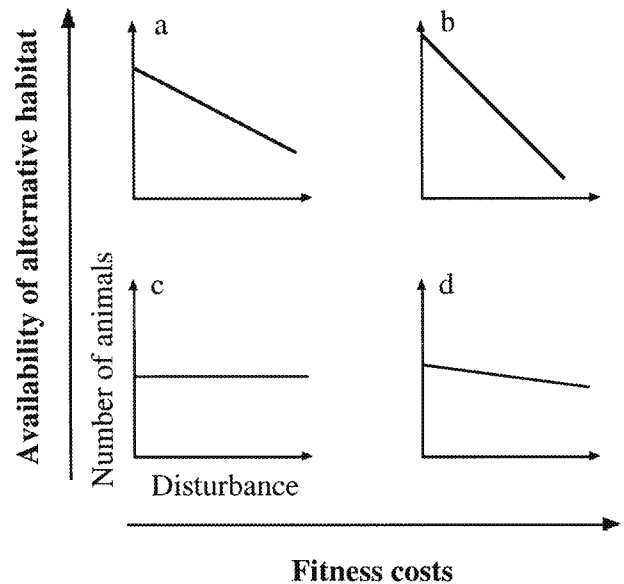


Fig. 1. The effects of increasing fitness costs of disturbance (i.e. increasing mortality or decreasing reproductive success) and availability of alternative habitat, on the distribution of animals across sites varying in disturbance levels. Four scenarios (a–d) are presented showing how the relative number of animals across sites varies with the degree of disturbance in those sites. If the fitness costs of disturbance are high (b and d), individuals move away from disturbed sites and hence numbers are lower in sites with greater disturbance. Similarly, a high availability of alternative habitat elsewhere (a and b), allowing individuals to move readily, will result in a strong decrease in numbers in disturbed sites, even when the fitness costs of disturbance are low (a). If there is little excess habitat to move to (c and d), there will be little change in numbers with increasing disturbance, even if there is a large fitness cost in terms of reduced survival or fecundity (d).

1b) are likely to avoid disturbance even if the fitness costs are low. Traditionally, species showing strong negative relationships (e.g. Fig. 1a and b) would be considered to be those most in need of protection from disturbance. However, the figure shows that this response could in fact be the result of differences in the availability of habitat elsewhere. Thus, species may be able to avoid disturbance because they have alternative sites to go to. By contrast, species may not avoid disturbance because they have no other sites to occupy. From a population viewpoint, the species most likely to be adversely affected by disturbance are those for which the fitness costs are high but they have little excess habitat to move to (e.g. Fig. 1d) and are thus constrained to stay in disturbed areas and to suffer the costs in terms of reduced survival or reproductive success.

For example, as described earlier, many waterfowl species show strong avoidance of disturbance. However, such species are often herbivorous and feed in dense flocks on a wide range of short swards. For these species, the costs of moving to an alternative site are, therefore, likely to be small as there are likely to be similar sites nearby. In addition, such species are often

hunted and so the costs of not moving in response to human presence could potentially be severe. By contrast, for species that feed on mobile or highly aggregated prey, the costs of moving to alternative sites may be great, especially if they are territorial or experience high levels of interference competition. Such species could then be forced to tolerate disturbance which may or may not affect survival or fecundity and hence population size (e.g. Goss-Custard and Verboven, 1993).

The behavioural process that we have concentrated on here is the avoidance of disturbance, as this is the most commonly used behavioural measure in studies of disturbance. However, exactly the same argument could be made for all other forms of behavioural response to disturbance, for example reduced prey intake rates, increased vigilance levels, reduction in levels of parental care or amount of time spent in flight. Whilst all of these clearly have the potential to affect survival or fecundity, the actual fitness costs of such changes in behaviour need to be quantified before they can be used as reliable estimates of the impact of disturbance on populations.

Assessing the relative importance of disturbance to species by their change in distribution could thus give opposite results to those expected. In particular, species that do not avoid disturbance and are thus assumed not to be vulnerable, for example, the herons, egrets, and pelicans in a Florida nature reserve (Klein et al., 1995) and pochard (*Aythya marila*), tufted duck (*A. fuligula*) and goosander (*Mergus merganser*) on inland waters in the UK (Tuite et al., 1984), could potentially be worthy of equal or greater concern than those that clearly avoid human presence. If the aim is to maintain or increase the numbers of animals using a site, then assessing whether disturbance causes birds to leave would be an appropriate methodology. However, in order to assess the impact of disturbance on population size and the relative susceptibility of different species, future studies need to address how behavioural changes in response to disturbance affect demographic parameters such as survival and reproductive success. This will also require an understanding of the strength of density-dependence within a system, in order to determine whether changes in survival or fecundity will have any impact on overall population size. Field estimates of the strength of density-dependent mortality or fecundity are currently rare, however, as we have shown here, without them it is impossible to assess which species are in need of protection. In the short-term, the most sensible approach may, therefore, be to concentrate research and protection efforts on species that are threatened or whose populations are declining, and for which human disturbance is implicated as a possible cause. Otherwise there is a risk that valuable resources will be spent and human access to wildlife areas will be restricted in order to protect species for which human presence alters behaviour but has no other impact.

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Since i wrote you Mike Edwards came in and provided me with this very same reference! so will send along and thank you for quick response! if more questions come up after he reviews this, will ask again!

mia

On Thu, Mar 31, 2016 at 3:25 PM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:

The discussion of this in the SEIS is on pages 376-384 of the SEIS. Good summary with all the literature citations. I don't think we're going to put together a list for an individual. The Environmental Consequences in the SEIS is designed to discuss that.

Appendix H in the SEIS is the list of T&E species and sites where they occur.

Your thoughts Bill?

Daphne

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A thoughtful Muir Beach resident (and member of the CSD) has asked for list of animals and plants impacted/potentially impacted by dogs...probably would be interested in other natural impacts, too...can you provide or would you like me to draft up something, have you review?

mia

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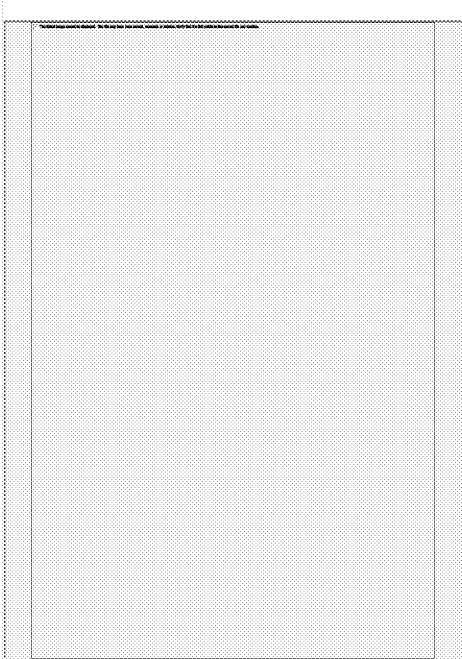
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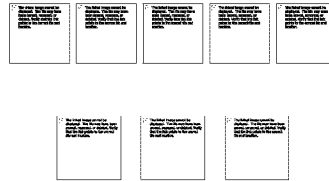
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Dear Daphne,

We hope you are well! After some great events this past month, we've got some more coming up in April, including a screening of *A Dangerous Game* at the Wild Equity office on April 14th at 6:30pm, as well as a hike to seek out the imperiled California Red-Legged Frog and San Francisco Garter Snake at Mori Point on April 30th at 11am, co-hosted by our friends at Save the Frogs! We hope to see you there!

In other news, it's not too late to submit a public comment on the new proposed [Dog Management Plan](#) in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Just [follow this link](#) to submit a comment saying that you support the new rule as a step towards a more equitable park experience for all! You can read more about the plan below.

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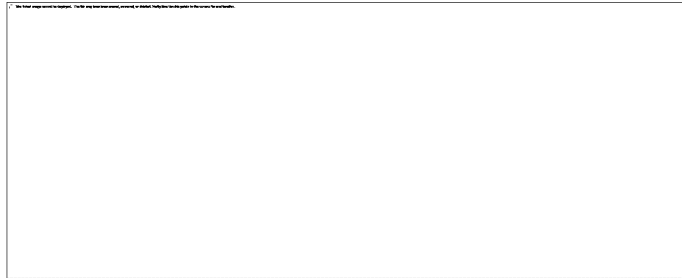
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## **New Proposed Dog Management Plan Creates Better Park Experience For All**



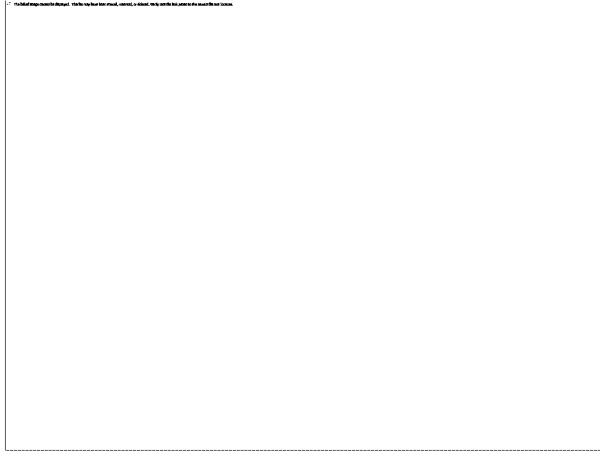
Last month, the National Park Service announced a [new Proposed Rule for Dog Management](#) in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area- and with a little bit of improvement it would ultimately enhance the park experience for visitors, protect our fragile natural resources, and improve the park experience for visitors, wildlife, employees, and dogs.

The GGNRA has had many instances of dogs being attacked by wildlife, falling of cliffs, biting or threatening park visitors and wildlife, and disturbing sensitive habitats. This is because our off-leash dog play areas are unsafe, and because leash laws have not been enforced in any meaningful way. But the new proposed rule would help ensure that our off-leash areas are safe, and would enforce leash laws vigorously outside of these designated areas.

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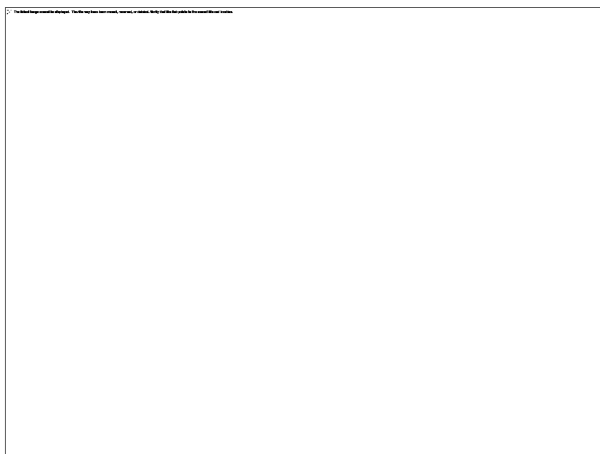
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**Upcoming Events: A Dangerous Game, Mori Point Hike with Save the Frogs, and more!**



**Movie Night: A Dangerous Game Thursday, April 14, 6:30pm, at Wild Equity Institute (474 Valencia Street #295, San Francisco, CA 94103)**

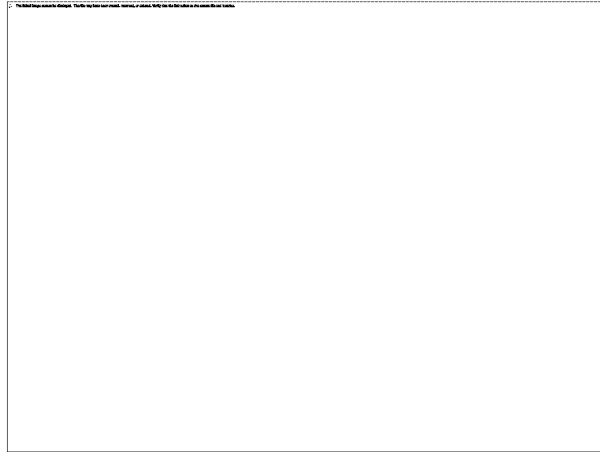
Join the Wild Equity Institute for a screening of *A Dangerous Game*, an explosive documentary from filmmaker and investigative journalist Anthony Baxter (*You've Been Trumped*), which examines the eco-impact of luxury golf resorts around the world. Featuring exclusive interviews with Alec Baldwin, Robert Kennedy Jr. and Donald Trump, the film takes viewers on a globe-spanning journey to a World Heritage site in Croatia; the extravagant desert city of Dubai, the explosion of new but supposedly illegal courses in China and back to the filmmaker's native Scotland, where Donald Trump continues his controversial building.



**Mori Point Hike with Save the Frogs! Saturday, April 30, 11:00am – 1:00pm, at Mori Point Entrance Gate**

On April 30 at 11 am, we'll be joining forces with one of our favorite conservation groups Save the Frogs! We'll be leading a hike at Mori Point. Join us to learn more about the endangered species living there (the California Red-legged Frog and the San Francisco Garter Snake), and

to find out what's been going on at Sharp Park and Mori Point in the past several months.  
Meet at the Mori Point Entrance Gate, at the intersection of Bradford Way and Mori Point Road, Pacifica, CA, 94044



Explore the Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge Saturday, May 14, 10:00am – 11:00am, at Antioch Dunes Wildlife Refuge

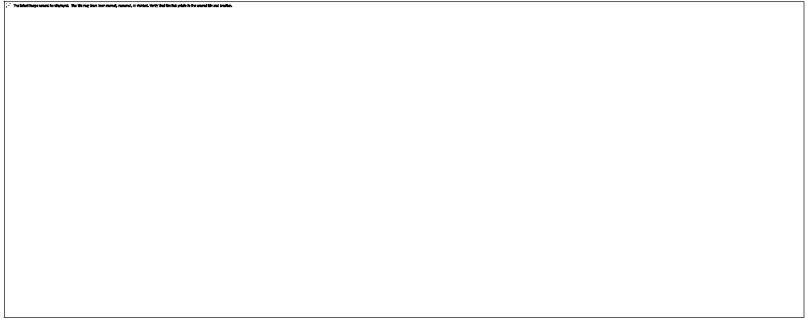
You are invited to join the Wild Equity Institute and the US Fish & Wildlife Service on a guided tour of the Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge! This is an opportunity to visit a unique area normally closed to the public. The Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge is home to three endangered species: the Lange's Metalmark Butterfly, the Contra Costa Wallflower, and the Antioch Dunes Evening Primrose.

Join us to learn more about the history and ecology of this one-of-a-kind ecosystem! The hike is scheduled to last about an hour.

Meet at the Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge Entrance Gate. From Hwy 4, take the "A St/Lone Tree Way" exit. Head north onto A St. Turn right at Wilbur Ave. Turn left onto Fulton Shipyard Rd. Travel approximately 1/4 of a mile until you see a dirt pullout to the right and a chain-linked fence. There will be a sign identifying the refuge. Mori Point Entrance Gate, at the intersection of Bradford Way and Mori Point Road, Pacifica, CA, 94044

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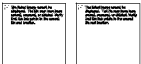
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Had you seen this editorial from the IJ? Alex

## Marin IJ Editorial: Respect should guide GGNRA dog debate



Dogs play on Rodeo Beach on Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015 near Sausalito, Calif. (Frankie Frost/Marin Independent Journal)

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After years of debate and studies, rules for dogs in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area continue to be hotly contested.

That was seen at last month's Sausalito sessions on GGNRA's draft rules, which would limit areas for running dogs off-leash, compared with previous proposals.

GGNRA officials say the rules are less restrictive than in other national parks where dogs are either forbidden or required to be on-leash.

But dog owners argue that the GGNRA is different from Yosemite or Yellowstone, where off-leash dogs are prohibited. GGNRA, they say, was intentionally established as a recreation area, not a park or a wilderness, but an area within a metropolis where people — and their dogs — can freely hike, exercise and wander. That includes letting their dogs romp off-leash.

For some, the GGNRA is their public backyard and the rules mean further restrictions, an increased tightening of limits and loss of freedoms they have enjoyed and expected on federal parklands.

But National Park Service officials see things differently. They have been trying to impose rules governing dogs for nearly 20 years. Those efforts have been met with stiff political opposition and lawsuits.

This round is headed in that same direction. An organization of dog owners has already filed a lawsuit seeking to block the proposed rules.

The park service could simply outlaw dogs, or require them to remain on-leash throughout the GGNRA, but it has tried, in response to political pressure, to come up with a compromise.

Dogs are already banned from Stinson Beach, Muir Wood National Monument and Tennessee Valley Trail — and they likely would have been now banned across the GGNRA if the park service hadn't been pressured to open the door to less restrictive rules.

This latest draft, which the GGNRA calls "a fair compromise," is in response to a court ruling that ordered the park service to do more public outreach.

GGNRA says restrictions on dogs are needed to protect park visitors and their enjoyment of the varied natural and historic offerings of the three-county federal area and to protect the habitat of animals endangered by the intrusion of dogs.

As we saw in the recent meetings, both sides of this debate have dug their trenches.

Many leading environmentalists — the Marin Conservation League and the Marin Audubon Society among them — strongly support the GGNRA's draft rules. Dog owners — and the Marin Humane Society — say they are too restrictive.

Unfortunately, what's missing is a trail-by-trail, beach-by-beach detailed reasoning for the rules. Both sides of this debate should be able to respect scientific rationale for restricting dogs from areas. There



are also areas that are just too popular to let dogs run off-leash. That same rationale is — or should be — widely respected in other parks and parklands.

The rights of those visitors who are fearful of dogs should be respected. Dog owners should understand and respect those rules. They should not expect the trails that they frequent to allow off-leash dogs just because those are the trails they and their dogs frequent.

Dog owners' repeated response that their pets would not harm another animal is far from a guarantee that all dogs would behave that way.

Both sides deserve to be heard during the GGNRA's process, which ends on May 25 and sets the stage for new rules being enforced by early 2017. Park officials have said the draft rules are not set in stone and they are listening.

Participants in this debate should be respectful of the public process, including of opinions contrary to their own.

There is no question that the proposed rules limit off-leash areas in Marin's share of GGNRA, making part of Rodeo Beach the only place dogs can run off leash. But arguments to open more areas should be advanced based on facts.

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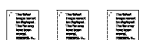
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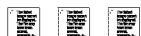
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# Dog owners aren't only ones to consider

By [Eric Mar](#) and [Amy Meyer](#) on April 12, 2016 1:00 am

Under a proposed rule by the National Park Service, areas within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area could limit — and in some cases ban — the presence of dogs. (Marcio Jose Sanchez/2011 AP)



The proposed National Park Service dog management rule is an opportunity for all San Francisco residents who use the incredible resources of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area to come together and help support a system that can provide for the recreational needs of all San Franciscans and visitors to our city. As supervisor for the district that includes Lands End and Ocean Beach and as a conservationist, we understand the need for a rule balancing the needs of all stakeholders. We believe we can have a working partnership between city residents and the NPS that will serve everyone in our community.

The GGNRA is one of the 410 units of the national park system. The first paragraph of the federal legislation that authorized the GGNRA says it is preserved for all the following reasons: to provide for public use and enjoyment of its outstanding natural, historic, scenic and recreational values and to provide for recreational and educational opportunities.

It states the GGNRA is to be managed to protect the park from development and uses that would destroy the scenic beauty and natural character of the area. By NPS policy, nature comes first in all national parks, and recreation has to fit into what allows the natural resources to flourish. Yet even with these considerations, the GGNRA is the most recreation-friendly park in the entire national park system.

The GGNRA has 17.5 million visitors a year, many of whom come from all over the United States and around the world. They view an iconic landscape that Congress conserved to prevent the building of apartment houses and shopping malls on its outstanding scenery. Yes, most of the park's most frequent visitors live nearby, and some of those visitors have dogs. But recreation with dogs is only one kind of recreation this park provides. It also includes visitors without dogs, who come for sight-seeing, walking, hiking, running, bird watching, bicycling, horse-back riding, photography and more. The park also conserves its natural resources for the education of students and for Parks Conservancy programs. The proposed rule allows kids and their families to enjoy the beach without fear of being knocked over by an unruly dog.

Because of a long history of dog walking on trails and beaches before there was a GGNRA, the park's administrators in 1979 tried to preserve some of those opportunities. However, large increases in the number of dogs require more regulation. Loss of wildlife in heavily used areas, increased knowledge of the endangered species in the GGNRA, destruction of the dunes at Fort Funston, conflicts between visitors and dogs — including dog bites and between leashed and unleashed dogs — and rescues of unleashed animals in various situations are some examples of what has led to this tightly crafted rule, in addition to preservation of the park's natural resources.

The special rule under consideration would make the GGNRA the only park in the national park system to officially permit dogs. People here will have 22 spacious places to play with and exercise their dogs, including seven places where they can be unleashed. In all other NPS units, dogs must be on 6-foot leashes near the cars that brought them or else confined. Visitors have the right to enjoy parts of the park free of dogs.

We want residents to comment on elements of the proposed dog management rule. They may express their support for the rule and/or their specific concerns to the superintendent: GGNRA, Dog Management Proposed Rule, Building 201 Fort Mason, San Francisco, CA, 94123 by mail. You can also use the comment form online by May 25 at [www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NPS-2016-0002](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NPS-2016-0002) (regular email won't work).

*Eric Mar is a San Francisco supervisor. Amy Meyer is a local parks activist.*

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**Subject:** Fwd: GGNRA - Mori Point - Meeting with Local residents

Hi guys--

What are your thoughts about meeting with a group of neighbors at Mori Point? See context below.

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Mike, Christine, Susie,  
See Abigail Marshall's note, below. Let's talk about a small delegation touring with her and a few of her neighbors. Howard

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**Subject:** Re: GGNRA - Mori Point - Meeting with Local residents

Dear Howard,

Thank you for your reply -- I certainly understand your situation. I have been experiencing similar problems within my own family.

Would a meeting on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday next week be workable (April 18, 19, or 20) ?

If not then, any date after April 26th other than Thursdays would be acceptable.

We would of course much prefer that Chris could come out but we will be happy to meet with other representatives who part of the planning process if that is not possible. We have made online comments but based on what has been put out in the proposals, we have the sense that the plans were made by people who have looked at maps but don't seem to be considering the actually terrain and usage problems.

On Tue, Apr 12, 2016 at 5:37 PM, Levitt, Howard <[howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov)> wrote:

Dear Abigail,

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. I was helping my 94-year old father-in-law in Southern California last week, and have only just come up for air since I got back to the office yesterday. Chris's assistant, Kimiko, had given me the phone message she had taken from your call with her.

Chris has a busy schedule over the next several weeks; it might be best for another of our key staff working on the dog management issue to meet with you onsite. Can you propose several days in which that might occur? Please let me know.

I'm assuming your concerns over Mori Point trail use were expressed during the comment period for the Supplemental Draft Dog Management Plan from 2013/14. If so, those comments are still active - they will be rolled up with the comments on the Proposed Rule and will used to help shape a final plan and final rule later this year.

Best.

Howard

On Wed, Apr 6, 2016 at 4:24 PM, Abigail Marshall <[abigailrm@](mailto:abigailrm@) wrote:

Dear Mr. Levitt,

Attached is a copy of an email I sent to Chris Lehnerz on Friday.

I want to arrange a meeting between residents of Fairway Park in Pacifica and Ms. Lehnerz to discuss issues concerning proposed trail closures for on-leash dogs at Mori Point. We believe the plan will increase rather than diminish conflict, and create possible health & safety issues. We are also concerned about the failure or inability of the park service to enforce existing leash laws, as our leashed pets are at risk in encounters with unleashed and poorly controlled dogs.

I spoke to Kaniko today and she says that you are responsible for scheduling these meetings

We are willing to meet at any location, but we think it is best if there can be a walk through of the trails so that we can point out the specific issues that concern us.

I look forward to receiving a response from you soon.

Best wishes,

Abigail Marshall

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Dear Ms. Lehnerz,

I want to thank you for hosting the community meeting yesterday evening in Pacifica.

I am one of the people who approached you after the meeting to discuss concerns about closure of trails for on-leash dog-walking at Mori point. Our primary concern was that the proposed trail closures would increase conflict by forcing all dog walkers to use a single corridor shared with cyclists, families with small children in strollers, and other park visitors who want to relax on benches in an area that dog walker would be forced to use with the new plan.

We are also all concerned about the poor enforcement of existing leash restrictions. We do not want off-leash dogs on the trails as they often create risks for our on-leash pets.

You very kindly offered to arrange a meeting with local residents.

I live in Fairway Park, the housing tract that sits at the base of Mori point. I believe that we are stakeholders with a particular interest in both recreational and environmental concerns, as well as a high level of knowledge and experience about park usage patterns.

I shared your offer with others in the neighborhood and there has been a very positive response and high level of interest in meeting with you. Would you be willing to come to our neighborhood on a weekday for a walking tour of the park, so we could show you the trails that we are concerned about, and also the problems we feel the new plan would create? Perhaps you would also be able to point out areas that are of particular concern to the park service because of environmental concerns.

We simply are worried about the negative impact of closing existing trails to dog walkers, and I think that a walk through of the area is the best way that you can get a sense of the actual setting and why the proposed limitations seem to use to be counter-productive.

Would you be able to arrange a weekday meeting? After a brief poll of the neighbors, it seem that a Wednesday would be the day that would best meet everyone's schedule, but we would be willing to meet any day. A weekend meeting would also be fine-- we just want to respect your time and work schedule as well. Several of us are retired or work from home, so we can be very flexible about the time.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Abigail Marshall

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**Subject: Draft Agenda for Dog Mgt Plan Coordination mtg.**

(Thursday, 4/14: 10:30-12PM); Location: Chris's office.

Call-in #: 1-866-732-4230, then dial Non-Responsive

**A. Interim Commercial Dogwalking (10:30-10:45)**

-2016 CDW permits and issues (Katie)

**B. Enforcement Reports(10:45-11:00)**

-LE/USPP weekly field reports; and database query capability on citations, past & present(Xave; Pam/Tim)

**C. Proposed Rule (11:00-11:20)**

-Major milestones toward Final Rule (Mike, Michael)  
-Outline of county/regional regs(attached) (Mike)

**D. Communications (11:20-11:50)**

-Status of Comms Actions(Howard, Erin?)  
-Strategic Comms: Next Steps (Howard)  
-FOIA follow-up & Resources Needed: (Howard)

**E. Preliminary Implementation Planning(11:50-12)**

-Overview(Mike)

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**Subject:** Fwd: Nat Resource mapping for Dog Mgt planning

Bill-

Good topic for staff meeting since it looks like the components might be done after you review what Marie sent (pretty much the same as what we already did with a few minor tweaks). Craig thinks Michael Norelli might have done some of this already. We should probably go far back in time- lots of stuff.

Daphne

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Hi Mike and Chris,

Since I'm on vacation in a few minutes I just wanted to provide a brief update on what mapping NR is working on for dog mgt planning purposes. I spoke with Craig Scott about this today and we're hoping these can all initially be interactive GIS shape files that we can live demo for you by early June, with the ability to overlay with the maps in the rule, and with trails and other park features. We'd like to present these in-person so we can fully explain what is represented. If you'd like the T&E maps sooner, let Bill and Alison know and we can get prioritize those. We can decide then what format would be most useful for our week of July 11 Dog IDT meeting.

1) Site specific T&E/sensitive species maps for internal use only (we have the GIS layers already that may need a few tweaks to update)

2) T&E maps for sharing with the public that do not reveal site specific locations, but represent the habitat and/or somewhat more general locations within the sites in the dog plan.

3) Parkwide restoration sites represented by the Annual Vegetation Work Plan (in PEPC) - these include all sites where invasive plant control activities occur, whether by contract, volunteers, Park Stewardship, etc.

4) Larger scale restoration projects- we have to compile these sites but would include places like Muir Beach, Banducci, Easkoot Creek, Mori Point, Milagra Ridge, Rodeo Beach surfer lot, Fort Baker, Coastal Trail corridor in Marin, Marin Headlands Transportation Mgt Plan mitigation, Hawk Hill restoration, Oakwood Valley/Alta eucalyptus removal and so on...

I think Chris will be blown away by the scope and scale of our natural resource restoration and vegetation management programs. Being on the urban edge, we cannot sit idle for a moment or the aliens will take over in the blink of an eye! We hope this will explain why every bit of native habitat is so precious.

Please let us know if you have thoughts about this or if you're looking for something different or something additional. This will take a bit of work to pull together in an intelligible way. You can let Bill and Alison know if this sounds like what you're looking for or not.

Thanks!

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## MINUTES

**Meeting:** San Mateo Geographic Leadership Team

**Date:** March 24, 2016 9:30-11am

**Location:** 201 Fort Mason, Golden Gate Room

<b>Attendees:</b>	Mark Warmerdam (LE)	Susie Bennett (NR Biologist)
	Brian Ullensvang (Env Chief)	Jaimie Baxter (Stewardship)
	Trevor Rice (Planner)	Melissa Bleier (BM Equestrian)
	Larry Miranda (NEPA)	Marcus Koenen (Interp)
	Kirsten Holder (Planning, LA)	Dan Collman (Facilities Manager)
	Christine FitzGerald (Coordinator)	Eamon Schneider (Trail Crew Lead)
		Sophia (Trail Intern)

See slideshow of images [HYPERLINK "[https://drive.google.com/open?id=0BxzFRE-\\_gwhrZjIGSDdqQ3JyZ1k](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0BxzFRE-_gwhrZjIGSDdqQ3JyZ1k)"].

### 1. LE STAFF CHANGES

Dan Stark was promoted to Supervisor, and will eventually transition out of the house at Gregerson and be replaced by another LE field ranger. Chief Ranger Randy Lavoisier will be on detail in the Southeast Region for 60 days starting in April. Deputy Chief Ranger Chad Marin will be acting as Chief; Matt Knowles will be acting as Deputy. San Mateo-related issues should still be addressed to Matt and Dan, and if they are not available, to Matt Harrison.

### 2. RANCHO

- San Vicente Creek Water Quality – Brian Ullensvang

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board is currently accepting public comment on General Waste Discharge Requirements for Confined Animal Facilities. These requirements implement federal and State regulations, and regional Total Maximum Daily Loads for locally impaired watersheds. This water quality permit may apply to all types of confined animal facilities, including our equestrian operations at Rancho.

NPS will be required to follow a permit issued by the Water Board, will have 90 days to provide Notice of Intent with willingness to comply, and will have a 2-year timeline to bring facilities into compliance. This may include training, annual reporting, water quality monitoring, addressing runoff etc. It is still unclear who is legally responsible for compliance (owner or lessee). Brian Ullensvang will be leading this effort and coordinating with Melissa, Susie, Andrea Lucas and others as needed. This may shift our funding priorities in the future for our equestrian lease proceeds.

- Moss Beach Remediation – Vika Sirova

NPS has been working with POST and consultants on the remediation project at Moss Beach Ranch since Rancho acquisition. Testing in November 2015 revealed that the extent of contamination is much larger than originally anticipated. Pesticides (chlordane) are present in the creek sediment and

are above residential or ecological exposure limits. Origin of pesticides on site are unclear, but were historically used to protect against termites. If the past application was legal, there is no federal mandate to clean up. POST has already spent the majority of the funds that were anticipated for the cleanup on testing and spot-fill.

Next steps: Vika will brief the Superintendent's office et al on site in April and determine the best way to proceed.

### **3. MORI TRAILHEAD – HAZMAT DELAY**

Trailhead construction began in January 2016 with tree removal. Hazardous materials and debris were found dumped at the site. The volume has been defined and Rich Melbostat (construction project manager) is determining best way to remove. Additional funding will be needed as this is an unanticipated cost. Construction will be delayed likely a few months.

### **4. MUSSEL ROCK TRANSFER STATION – CLOSED**

Waste transfer station just south of NPS Mussel Rock property has closed. No update yet if anything is proposed for the site.

### **5. PHLEGER – MIRAMONTES TRAIL WASHOUT**

Due to recent storm events, a 50' segment of the Miramontes Trail washed out again. This is the same area that slid three years ago. Trail is unsafe for visitor use, particularly equestrians, and is currently closed. Trail crew indicated potential options to fix trail include bridges, reroute, abandon trail and create new connection from Richards Road, or a "quick fix" similar to previous one, which will not last permanently.

Barnaby, Eamon, Susie, Peter, Kirsten, Christine, and others as needed will visit the site in the next few weeks and make recommendations for improvement. Jaimie noted that the Trail Center and VoCAL have been interested in doing a project ta Phleger, and could potentially bring a crew of 50-100 people to help.

### **6. DOG PLAN MEETING UPDATE**

Public meetings are underway for the Proposed Rule for the Dog Management Plan (three this week, three next week). Attendance has been ~ 75 people per meeting, and concerns were as expected about restricting off-leash areas in San Mateo as well as commercial dog walking. Following the public meetings and public comment period, the team will evaluate and consider if any changes are warranted.

### **7. PG&E LINE 109 – EA EXTENSION**

Larry provided an update on the PG&E Line 109 projects. PG&E is proposing expanded easements in the SFPUC watershed, over which GGNRA holds Scenic & Recreation easements. The EA is currently out for public comment and the deadline extended 15 days.

### **8. PACKING THE PARKS – FINAL ROUTE**

Trevor reviewed the final route for the July Centennial event, Packing the Parks. 50 people will be hiking from Farallone View School in Montara to Sanchez Adobe, to Oceana HS, to Fort Miley, to Crissy Field. Hikers will travel through Rancho, Sweeney and Milagra Rdige. The group will meet another 50 that begin in Marin. Dates are July 21-24, 2016.

### **9. CATTLE HILL IMPROVEMENTS**

Pacifica residents are making improvements to Cattle Hill to minimize erosion and stabilize trails. This property is on the Priority Acquisition List for GGNRA, so we may want to observe the improvements they are making to ensure it is consistent with our maintenance standards. Eamon will stop by next time he is at Sweeney; Jaimie suggested coordinating with Katie Teschler (new Conservancy Trails Stewardship manager) to help educate neighbors on proper trail maintenance.

## 10. ENCROACHMENT IDT – “TEMP”

Melissa is coordinating new IDT for Trespass & Encroachment Management Program (TEMP) to address outstanding issues throughout the park. System Unit Resource Protection Act (SURPA) training will be held at Fort Mason Center on 4/22, which will describe how the park can recover costs to address damages made to the park.

## 11. ROUNDTABLE

- Natural Resources – Georgia & others will be attending annual Clipper Ridge Easter Egg hunt in El Granada – good community outreach. Volunteer list is growing, good field communication. Potentilla project is starting next week!
- Business Management – Renegade Ranch has changed their mind and is no longer closing their doors, just reducing the size of their footprint. Horses will still be removed from the damaged hillside, and NPS will still have a revenue stream to restore the area.
- Maintenance/Trails – Staff is shifting, backfilling behind Barnaby’s old position. Eamon will check on erosion issues at Le Conte turnaround. Trail crew has received several calls about trees down across trails at Phleger; has been working on treadwork, little bridge at Redondo Trail in creek area. Proposed Ember Ridge Trail reroute; hopeful compliance will be completed before summer so SCA crew can work on it.
- Stewardship – National Trails Day 6/4 will host big project at Milagra Battery Trail, anticipate ~ 75-100 people, staging at Oceana HS. Will also host a smaller NTD volunteer day at Rancho. Georgia is preparing for Centennial Bioblitz on 4/1 at Farallone View School. Expect 120 students in 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade to participate.
- NEPA – Several new trail projects in PEPC; suggest developing IDT prior to bringing to Project Review to help streamline process.

**NEXT MEETINGS:** 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month

- April 28, 2016 9:30am - 11am (Golden Gate Room)
- May 26, 2016 9:30am - 11am (Golden Gate Room)
- **June 16, 2016 9:30am - 11am (Golden Gate Room) – Note date change**

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- March 31 – Dog Management Public Meeting, Pacifica
- April 1 – Centennial Bioblitz, Rancho
- April 23 – Pacifica Earth Day/EcoFest
- April 27 – MCC Annual Parks Forum
- July 21-24 – Packing the Parks hike

- July 23 – PARCA Devil's Slide Ride (runners only)
- Monthly Stewardship days will be 10am – 1pm. Locations as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – Rancho
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday – Mori
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – Milagra
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – TBD

	<b>NEW ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>Assigned Staff</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Status</b>
1.	Provide input on San Vicente Water Quality Plan (led by Brian U)	Susie, Melissa	4/22/16	
2.	Site visit to MBR for remediation (led by Vika)	Christine, Susie, Sup. Office	5/1/16	
3.	Phleger site visit – Miramontes	Kirsten, Eamon, Barnaby, Susie, Peter, Christine	4/4/16	
4.	Check Cattle Hill improvements	Eamon, Katie T.	n/a	

	<b>PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>Assigned Staff</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Status</b>
5.	Check Mori bluffs after rains for erosion	Eamon	5/1/16	
6.	Mori Quarry – confirm boundary and acquisition; circulate development plan	Christine	3/24/16	✓
7.	Trail crew deputized as biomonitors for Milagra	Barnaby, Darren Fong	4/1/16	✓
8.	Compliance for MWSD soil. Funding to develop prescriptions	Eamon, Trevor, Christine	5/1/16	Soil was given to another agency
9.	Equestrian lease \$ - finalize spending plans	Melissa, Barnaby, Dan	3/1/16	✓
10.	Ember Ridge Trail reroute – site visit and planning	Kirsten, Eamon	3/1/16	✓
11.	Scarper and Gregerson – schedule site visit with POST	Christine	5/1/16	Scheduled for 4/25
12.	Coordinate with equestrian leasees on emergency preparedness	Melissa	2/1/16	✓
13.	Finalize SkyRidge \$	Daphne, Melissa	-	
14.	Consider feasibility of coastside shuttle	Christine (with Darren Brown)	1/1/16	Delayed until 2016/2017
15.	Summarize CR info from NWIC	Peter	11/1/15	
16.	Compliance on Le Conte bridge	Eamon, Larry,	11/1/15	

		Trevor		
17.	Rancho purpose, need, objective to Trevor	Dan, Melissa, Susie, Kirsten	8/27/15	
18.	Meet with Montara lighthouse re: housing	Matt, Christine	10/1/15	Advance Gregerson first
19.	Inform staff of red flag days	Dan, Matt	8/24/15	
20.	Stories for website to Christine	Georgia	10/1/15	
21.	Provide recommendation to CCWD regarding pipeline	Christine	7/1/15	
22.	Proposal to Aaron for horse patrol	Matt (w/ LE support)	9/1/15	
23.	Proposal to Aaron for San Mateo hub	Christine	9/1/15	Temporary office space at Funston; ranger housing at Gregerson
24.	Coordinate interim Rancho facilities	Dan, Hilary, Christine	12/31/14	Scheduled with Anthony DuBois in November
25.	Coordinate Sweeney Nike Demolition w/Mike Rafferty	Christine	10/1/14	Account approved. Hazmat testing underway. Demo expected summer 2016
26.	Scarper Ridge – discuss liability & maintenance	Kirsten, Christine, Matt, Dan	8/28/14	Met with POST 1/25/16. Will discuss again following 4/25 site visit
27.	Phleger – Richards Rd boundary	Christine	8/28/14	Added to unfunded needs list. Jordan to find \$
28.	Schwab image for San Mateo	Christine	3/1/15	Included in Conservancy FY16 budget. Christine met with Ellen Fortier. Current funding only to do Mori Point. Will continue to pursue other sites for future years.



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**From:** bill\_merkle@nps.gov [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/28/2016 4:08:32 PM  
**To:** michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov; Michael\_J\_Savidge@nps.gov; Susie\_Bennett@nps.gov; Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** MBB for Dogs - Invitation to collaborate

William Merkle has invited you to **contribute** to the following shared folder:



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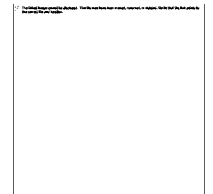
This is a nice data consolidation report we did on MBB at Marin Headlands--just to give you an idea.

I will still work on summarizing and including other work, and work for Sweeney.

-Bill



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**From:** Ward, Kristen [kristen\_ward@nps.gov]  
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**Subject:** dog news from the southland

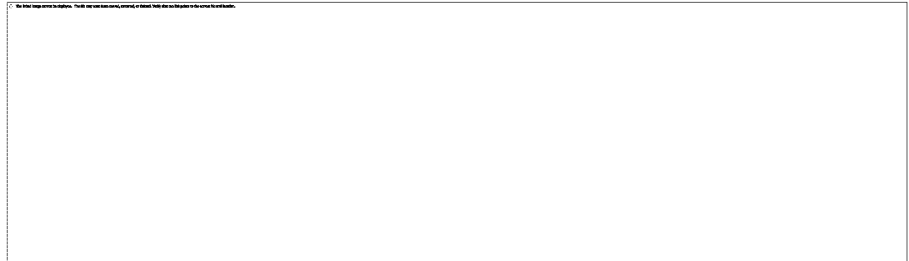
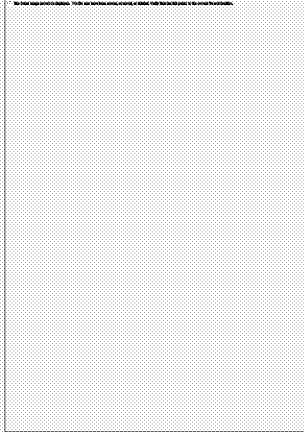
<http://abc7.com/pets/dog-beaches-in-los-angeles-would-be-increased-under-proposed-ballot-measure/1333812/>

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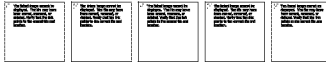


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**From:** Roman Berenshteyn, Wild Equity Institute [Roman\_Berenshteyn\_Wild\_Equity\_In@mail.vresp.com]  
**Sent:** 5/20/2016 3:40:04 PM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Last Chance to Support Better Dog Management in GGNRA!



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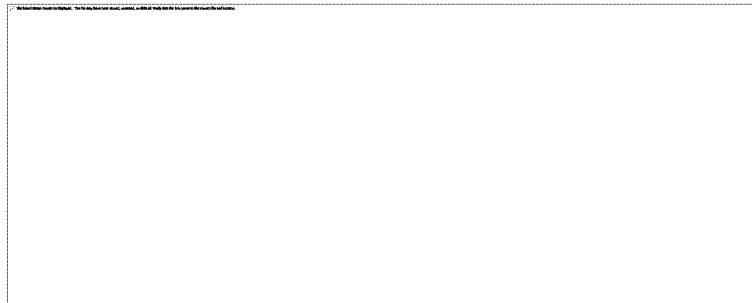
Daphne,

Back in March, we emailed you about the National Park Service's new Proposed Rule for Dog Management in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area- and though there is some room for improvement in the plan, we support the new proposed rule, which would ultimately enhance the park experience for visitors, protect our fragile natural resources, and improve the park experience for visitors, wildlife, employees, and dogs.

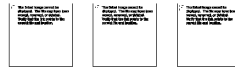
The clock is ticking on the opportunity to submit a public comment on the new proposed [Dog Management Plan](#) in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Just [follow this link](#) to submit a comment saying that you support the new rule as a step towards a more equitable park experience for all!

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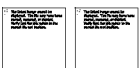
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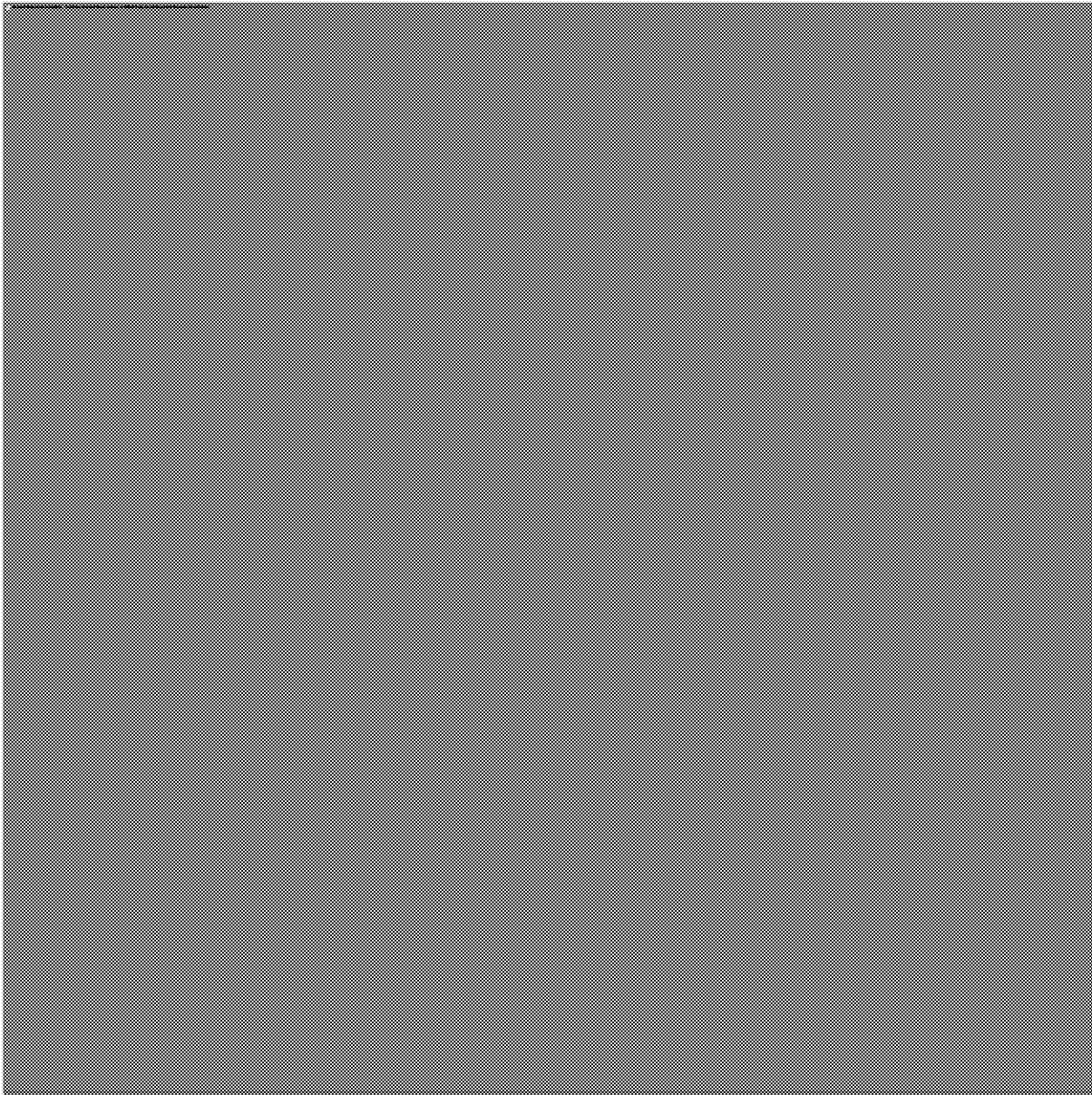


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**From:** GGNRA Planning Division [brian\_aviles@nps.ccsend.com]  
**on behalf of** GGNRA Planning Division [goga\_dogmgt@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/19/2016 1:21:58 PM  
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Dear Friends of GGNRA:

The 90 day public comment period on the Proposed Rule for Dog Management in Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) will close on May 25, 2016 at 11:59pm EST.

The Proposed Rule would designate where and how people would be able to enjoy the park with their dogs - both on and off-leash - as well as places that would be dog free. If implemented, the rule would ensure the protection of the park's natural and cultural resources and continue to provide recreational opportunities for a wide variety of park users.

### How to Comment

Comments on the Proposed Rule will be accepted at [regulations.gov](http://regulations.gov) or via letter to:

Superintendent, GGNRA  
Attn: Dog Management Proposed Rule  
Building 201 Fort Mason  
San Francisco, CA 94123

Your comments on the Proposed Rule will play an important role in the development of the final plan and rule, which are expected later this year. We welcome your participation in the process. For more information on dog management planning and the Proposed Rule, please visit our [website](#). If you have questions about the Proposed Rule, please email [goga\\_dogmgt@nps.gov](mailto:goga_dogmgt@nps.gov).

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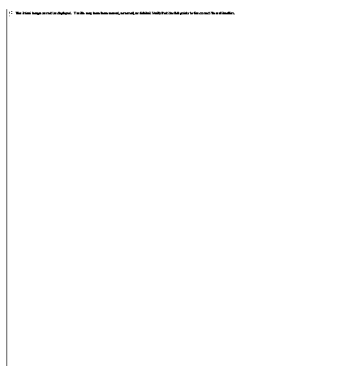
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**From:** Chris Leggett [chris.leggett@bedrockstatistics.com]  
**Sent:** 5/25/2016 5:12:57 PM  
**To:** 'Hatch, Daphne' [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available for a call tomorrow or next Wed. morning?

Hi Daphne,

Yes, sounds great, let's talk at 8am pacific tomorrow if that works and if you don't hit traffic. I won't have time to digest all of this by then but I can at least take a quick look and we can follow up later if needed. I mentioned to Mike that I'm flying through San Francisco June 13<sup>th</sup> and could easily meet before heading back to NH.

-Chris

**From:** Hatch, Daphne [mailto:daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 25, 2016 6:45 PM  
**To:** Chris Leggett <chris.leggett@bedrockstatistics.com>  
**Subject:** Are you available for a call tomorrow or next Wed. morning?

Hi Chris,

## **EXEMPTION 6: Non responsive private information**

So, I hear Mike Savidge contacted you about our dog monitoring. I was hoping we might be able to talk a bit about it as well. Our plans are to be monitoring compliance with regulations that are intended to protect resources as well as compliance with the proposed regulations when they are finalized and put in place. Mike keeps pushing us to contract with an ecologist to help design the monitoring program, but we don't intend to monitor actual impacts to resources. Seems much more like a sampling design and analysis most likely of some form of count data, which is why I've been thinking you might be well-suited to helping us out. I'll attach a spreadsheet of the types of actions we might consider monitoring. You know the beach sites, but not the others on trails. The 2nd tab in the Excel file has a brain dump list of potential parameters that could be monitoring in relation to compliance with the proposed dog regulation for 21 different sites in the park. Just to give you a flavor of what we're talking about.

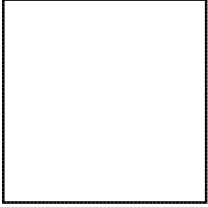
Let me know if you might have 15 minutes or so tomorrow between 8-9 am PDT or 12-2pm PDT, or next Wed anytime before 11:30 am PDT. I'm usually in the office no later than 8.

Hope you're all well and that Sydney is enjoying her new endeavors!

Daphne



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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/31/2016 8:24:38 AM  
**To:** Chris Leggett [chris.leggett@bedrockstatistics.com]  
**Subject:** Re: Nice talking today!

Funny question. No definitely not formal, both are seen in jeans in the office at times! Thinking I'm too late for your packing.

Here's info on one of the wildlife camera projects:

<http://onetam.org/programs-and-projects/wildlife-camera-project>

We are doing a similar thing in San Mateo Co. portions of GGNRA and will be adding the Redwood Creek watershed to the Wildlife Picture Index project including Muir Woods and Muir Beach in GGNRA. I'm not sure all the various other applications we have but I do know about the camera at Muir Beach that is used to monitor water level in the lagoon (and incidentally captures people/dogs playing in the lagoon). There is also the Bay Area Puma Project that has some cameras on GGNRA lands:

<http://www.bapp.org/>

Maybe I'll see you on the 13th. Enjoy Santa Barbara.

Daphne

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On Sat, May 28, 2016 at 8:20 AM, Chris Leggett <[chris.leggett@bedrockstatistics.com](mailto:chris.leggett@bedrockstatistics.com)> wrote:

Odd question, but I'm packing for Santa Barbara field work and was wondering if mike/Chris are formal folks...need to bring nice clothes to meet with them?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 26, 2016, at 9:42 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi there,

I'm out the door for the weekend but just wanted to inquire if you know Jerry Vaske (spelling?) at Colorado State. He is the social scientist/statistician that I believe will be part of Mike's team. Others are consultants that have worked with Colorado Open Space or work directly for them.

We're going to try to set up a meeting - on the 13th right? - with you, Mike and our Superintendent Chris Lehnertz to share insights on benefits of using cameras for monitoring. Mike may have other stuff as well.

Hi to the family!

Daphne

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**From:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/3/2016 3:07:19 PM  
**To:** Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]; Brian Aviles [brian\_aviles@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Gerald Scheumann [jerry\_scheumann@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: pre-IDT Marin county dog mgt field trip on Monday 6/27:12-4PM

Please hold these dates/times for same requested decisionmaking input to Chris to evaluate (and hike) in Marin county:  
Muir beach fencing and loop  
Oakwood Valley loop  
Rodeo fencing  
Other from public comment

thanks,

Mike

PS. Chad-if you feel someone else also should be there to represent LE concerns/issues, please let me know and invite along.

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:55 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

Chris would like us to investigate the field parameters for our decision-making regarding San Mateo lands. Since June 6 and 9 did not work, I am requesting that we do this on June 13.

I was thinking that we would get started by 10AM. And I will work out itinerary with Christine F. on Monday that will include:

1. Mori Point-Old Mori trail, Timigtac trail and Headlands Bluff down Bootlegger's steps
2. Milagra ridge-paved scenic view for dogwalkers-Summitt trail?
3. Mori Ridge trail to Nike site
4. Fallow field
5. Airport lands

Can we meet FOMA at 9:30 and pick up maint 4 x 4 at Funston by 10AM? If truck allows four folks then we might ask LE to also bring such a vehicle.

Please confirm your participation.

Mike

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:40 PM, Bennett, Susan <susie\_bennett@nps.gov> wrote:

Hi,

I was able to get a 4x4 truck that fits 4 (I believe) for Monday 6/13. What time is our meeting? The truck is stationed out of Fort Funston so we'll either need to meet there or I'll need to pick it up and drive it back to FOMA before heading out to Sweeney.

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From: **Bennett, Susan** <[susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)>  
Date: Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:38 PM  
Subject: Re: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7  
To: Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)>  
Cc: Naomi LeBeau <[NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org](mailto:NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org)>, Ruby Kwan <[RKwan@parksconservancy.org](mailto:RKwan@parksconservancy.org)>, Christina Crooker <[CCrooker@parksconservancy.org](mailto:CCrooker@parksconservancy.org)>, Meghan Steinharter <[msteinharter@parksconservancy.org](mailto:msteinharter@parksconservancy.org)>, Michael Chasse <[michael\\_chasse@nps.gov](mailto:michael_chasse@nps.gov)>, Yakuta Poonawalla <[Ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org](mailto:Ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org)>, Izaac Russo <[izaac.russo@g](mailto:izaac.russo@g)> **Exemption 6**

Thanks, Katie and Naomi! Yakuta, if your truck is still available on Tuesday 6/7, we'd love to use it! (We need it the whole day since our work sites are about an hour away each direction.)

And we'll plan to use yours, Katie, on Monday 6/13. Thanks a bunch!

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On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 1:52 PM, Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

Jaimie and I picked up the TF truck this morning – it's back at FOFU and ready to drive! I would like to be able to use it either in the morning or afternoon on Tuesday 6/7 to install a book nook at Mori point. What time would you want to borrow it on Tuesday, Susie? Definitely feel free to take it on Monday, 6/13!

Katie

**From:** Naomi LeBeau

**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:17 PM

**To:** Bennett, Susan; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse

**Cc:** Yakuta Poonawalla

**Subject:** RE: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

Hey Susie,

Both trucks from 34 are being used, but Yakuta's trucks aren't checked out. Yakuta also has watering supplies that you may be able to borrow in 1226.

I've put Yakuta on this email in case she has needs that haven't been put on the calendar. I'll sign you out a truck in the meantime while you two connect and make plans.

**Naomi LeBeau**

Restoration Specialist

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**From:** Bennett, Susan [[mailto:susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)]

**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:12 PM

**To:** Naomi LeBeau; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse

**Subject:** Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

Hi guys,

I'm hoping to borrow a truck so we can water our recently planted plants on Tuesday 6/7 (preferably with a water tank). Can anybody help? :)

Also, I've been asked by upper management to get a 4x4 vehicle on Monday 6/13 for a site visit with some division chiefs. Katie, do you think the TF truck will be back by then?

Thanks for your help with all this! Sometimes it takes a village! :)

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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/8/2016 6:34:21 PM  
**To:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]; Kimiko De Pedro [kimiko\_depedro@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: HOLD THE DATE(s): IDT-Pref Alt & Proposed Rule Review-2 day IDT: JULY 20-21, 2016 - [8:30-4:30pm]

I can make these dates 7/20-21. Need to have others fill in for other meetings. Please make sure an invite gets sent out ASAP if dates are changed, and that the 7/13-14 dates get changed.

Thanks.  
Daphne

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On Wed, Jun 8, 2016 at 1:40 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Sorry, needed to edit the subject line to July 20-21, 2016.

On Wed, Jun 8, 2016 at 1:39 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi folks,

To ensure that our Deputy Supt can be involved in our discussions/deliberations, I am canvassing you all to hold the revised dates of July 20-21 for the Dog IDT. Please confirm your availability by responding to Kimiko with copy me.

The IDT will review key substantive comment summary on proposed dog mgt rule to finalize decisions, and preferred alternative, for FEIS to move forward prior to briefing of PWR Director and NPS Director in late July.

Mike

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**From:** Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>  
**Date:** Tue, May 24, 2016 at 4:56 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: HOLD THE DATE(s): Pref Alt & Proposed Rule Review-2 day IDT: JULY 12-13, 2016 - [8:30-4:30pm]  
**To:** Kimiko De Pedro <[kimiko\\_depedro@nps.gov](mailto:kimiko_depedro@nps.gov)>

Please send out invite to all those listed below for July 13-14, 2016. Could you also book GG room for July12 (all PM), as well as 7/13-14 from 8-5PM so project team can review materials day before?

Thanks,



Mike

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From: **Savidge, Michael** <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>

Date: Mon, May 23, 2016 at 12:40 PM

Subject: HOLD THE DATE(s): Pref Alt & Proposed Rule Review-2 day IDT: JULY 12-13, 2016 - [8:30-4:30pm]

To: Daphne Hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>, William Merkle <[bill\\_merkle@nps.gov](mailto:bill_merkle@nps.gov)>, Christine Carey <[christine\\_carey@partner.nps.gov](mailto:christine_carey@partner.nps.gov)>, Susan Bennett <[Susie\\_Bennett@nps.gov](mailto:Susie_Bennett@nps.gov)>, Barbara Goodyear <[barbara.goodyear@sol.doi.gov](mailto:barbara.goodyear@sol.doi.gov)>, Howard Levitt <[Howard\\_Levitt@nps.gov](mailto:Howard_Levitt@nps.gov)>, "Savidge, Michael" <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>, Matthew Wallat <[matt\\_wallat@nps.gov](mailto:matt_wallat@nps.gov)>, Aaron Roth <[aaron\\_roth@nps.gov](mailto:aaron_roth@nps.gov)>, Gerald Scheumann <[jerry\\_scheumann@nps.gov](mailto:jerry_scheumann@nps.gov)>, Danny Collman <[dan\\_collman@nps.gov](mailto:dan_collman@nps.gov)>, Barnaby Fisher <[barnaby\\_fisher@nps.gov](mailto:barnaby_fisher@nps.gov)>, Brian Aviles <[brian\\_aviles@nps.gov](mailto:brian_aviles@nps.gov)>, Erin Heimbinder <[eheimbinder@Exemp. 6](mailto:eheimbinder@Exemp.6)>, Mia Monroe <[mia\\_monroe@nps.gov](mailto:mia_monroe@nps.gov)>, Chad Marin <[chad\\_marin@nps.gov](mailto:chad_marin@nps.gov)>, Timothy Hodge <[timothy\\_hodge@nps.gov](mailto:timothy_hodge@nps.gov)>, Kathleen Beltrano <[katie\\_beltrano@nps.gov](mailto:katie_beltrano@nps.gov)>, Craig Scott <[craig\\_scott@nps.gov](mailto:craig_scott@nps.gov)>, Michele Gee <[michele\\_gee@nps.gov](mailto:michele_gee@nps.gov)>, Kirsten Holder <[kirsten\\_holder@nps.gov](mailto:kirsten_holder@nps.gov)>  
Cc: Michael Edwards <[michael\\_b\\_edwards@nps.gov](mailto:michael_b_edwards@nps.gov)>, Kimiko De Pedro <[kimiko\\_depedro@nps.gov](mailto:kimiko_depedro@nps.gov)>

Hi folks,

Per announcements at prior leadership team mtgs and dog coord mtg, this is a hold the date email for upcoming IDT to review key substantive comment summary on proposed dog mgt rule and to finalize decisions on input on it, and preferred alternative, for FEIS to move forward prior to briefing of PWR Director and NPS Director in August.

Mike

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**From:** craig\_glassner@nps.gov [craig\_glassner@nps.gov]  
**on behalf of** GOGA PRES SocialMedia, NPS [goga\_pres\_socialmedia@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/13/2016 9:26:54 AM  
**To:** Howard Levitt [howard\_levitt@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: From NPS.gov: Coyote attack. June 8, 2016 @ 6:30PM

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**From:** <neiledde@cc[redacted] Ex. 6 [redacted]>  
**Date:** Thu, Jun 9, 2016 at 1:48 PM  
**Subject:** From NPS.gov: Coyote attack. June 8, 2016 @ 6:30PM  
**To:** goga\_pres\_socialmedia@nps.gov

Email submitted from: neiledde@[redacted] Ex. 6 [redacted] at /prsf/contacts.htm

Hi there. I'm sure you're receiving a lot of coyote-sighting e-mails, but I wanted to report an incident, if only for your records. Yesterday (June 8) at ~6:30PM, a very aggressive coyote attempted to bite (or eat?) my two pugs, both of whom were on leashes. The attack occurred near the golf course snack shop where Park Trail meets Washington Blvd. I shouted loudly at the coyote, but that only made it pause. I kept my dogs behind me and the coyote continued to try to do an end-around to get at them until a golfer came over with his club, at which point the coyote retreated. The golfer said, "That coyote owns this place." I suspect there's a pupping den in the brush nearby. What surprised me was how aggressive the coyote was in broad daylight. Even at 6:30PM, there was plenty of daylight. Anyway... all's fine now, and I'll be sure to avoid that area. But I've heard of other incidents where coyotes have aggressively attacked dogs, even large dogs on leashes, in recent weeks. The "Coyote Aware" signs are helpful, but I'm wondering at what point you either have to ban dog-walking (which would be unfortunate) or take measures to either reduce the coyote population or remove some of the brush where they're establishing dens close to frequently traveled paths and roads. Thanks for your time and consideration. Neil Edde

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**Sent:** 6/23/2016 10:45:56 AM  
**To:** Rachel Gulbraa - NOAA Affiliate [rachel.gulbraa@noaa.gov]; Karen Reyna - NOAA Federal [karen.reyna@noaa.gov]; Shafer, Cyndy [cyndy.shafer@parks.ca.gov]; Hardcastle, Bree [bree.hardcastle@parks.ca.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: GGBR: Contact List for your review

Thanks Cyndy,

I'm copy our intern Rachel, and Karen from NOAA. Just for clarification, Monday's call is about mission and goals, while the July in-person meeting is about zoning, but this input is great as I think we'd like to come to that meeting with a proposal. We may be talking to you more before then.

I hope you'll be able to make the meeting in July.

Daphne

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**Subject:** RE: GGBR: Contact List for your review  
**To:** "Hatch, Daphne" <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Hardcastle, Bree@Parks" <[Bree.Hardcastle@parks.ca.gov](mailto:Bree.Hardcastle@parks.ca.gov)>

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Thank you,

Cyndy

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**To:** Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]; Brian Aviles [brian\_aviles@nps.gov]; Mia Monroe [mia\_monroe@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Gerald Scheumann [jerry\_scheumann@nps.gov]; Erin Heimbinder [eheimbinder@g Exemp. 6]  
**Subject:** Re: pre-IDT Marin county dog mgt field trip on Monday 6/27:12-4PM

Hi folks,

We had asked that you set aside some time on Monday, June 27, from 12-4PM to participate in field trip (with some hiking) in Marin county to look at areas of key public comment viz a viz sites. Attached is our itinerary and planning considerations. **Please confirm your participation by end of day Friday.** I have a van reserved so we will take off from FT.Mason at 9AM promptly. Can meet those in Marin along way or at Muir beach parking lot at 9:30.

I will have maps of prop rule for each area as handouts. **\*\*Expect that NR will provide initial overview of NR sensitive resources at each area; LE & Facilities reps will identify operational constraints/opptys; and planning will help identify mgt objectives/context for site. I will cover public comment.**

**Thank you.**

**Mike**

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 3:07 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:  
Please hold these dates/times for same requested decisionmking input to Chris to evaluate(and hike) in Marin county:  
Muir beach fencing and loop  
Oakwood Valley loop  
Rodeo fencing  
Other from public comment

thanks,

Mike

PS. Chad-if you feel someone else also should be there to represent LE concerns/issues, please let me know and invite along.

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:55 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:  
Chris would like us to investigate the field parameters for our decision-making regarding San Mateo lands. Since June 6 and 9 did not work, I am requesting that we do this on June 13.



I was thinking that we would get started by 10AM. And I will work out itinerary with Christine F. on Monday that will include:

1. Mori Point-Old Mori trail, Timigtac trail and Headlands Bluff down Bootlegger's steps
2. Milagra ridge-paved scenic view for dogwalkers-Summitt trail?
3. Mori Ridge trail to Nike site
4. Fallow field
5. Airport lands

Can we meet FOMA at 9:30 and pick up maint 4 x 4 at Funston by 10AM? If truck allows four folks then we might ask LE to also bring such a vehicle.

Please confirm your participation.

Mike

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:40 PM, Bennett, Susan <[susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

I was able to get a 4x4 truck that fits 4 (I believe) for Monday 6/13. What time is our meeting? The truck is stationed out of Fort Funston so we'll either need to meet there or I'll need to pick it up and drive it back to FOMA before heading out to Sweeney.

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From: **Bennett, Susan** <[susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)>

Date: Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:38 PM

Subject: Re: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

To: Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)>

Cc: Naomi LeBeau <[NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org](mailto:NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org)>, Ruby Kwan <[RKwan@parksconservancy.org](mailto:RKwan@parksconservancy.org)>, Christina Crooker <[CCrooker@parksconservancy.org](mailto:CCrooker@parksconservancy.org)>, Meghan Steinharter <[msteinharter@parksconservancy.org](mailto:msteinharter@parksconservancy.org)>, Michael Chasse <[michael\\_chasse@nps.gov](mailto:michael_chasse@nps.gov)>, Yakuta Poonawalla <[ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org](mailto:ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org)>, Izaac Russo <[izaac.russo@g](mailto:izaac.russo@g)> **Exemp. 6**

Thanks, Katie and Naomi! Yakuta, if your truck is still available on Tuesday 6/7, we'd love to use it! (We need it the whole day since our work sites are about an hour away each direction.)

And we'll plan to use yours, Katie, on Monday 6/13. Thanks a bunch!

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On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 1:52 PM, Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

Jaimie and I picked up the TF truck this morning – it's back at FOFU and ready to drive! I would like to be able to use it either in the morning or afternoon on Tuesday 6/7 to install a book nook at Mori point. What time would you want to borrow it on Tuesday, Susie? Definitely feel free to take it on Monday, 6/13!

Katie

**From:** Naomi LeBeau  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:17 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Susan; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse  
**Cc:** Yakuta Poonawalla  
**Subject:** RE: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

Hey Susie,

Both trucks from 34 are being used, but Yakuta's trucks aren't checked out. Yakuta also has watering supplies that you may be able to borrow in 1226.

I've put Yakuta on this email in case she has needs that haven't been put on the calendar. I'll sign you out a truck in the meantime while you two connect and make plans.

Naomi LeBeau

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**From:** Bennett, Susan [[mailto:susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)]

**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:12 PM

**To:** Naomi LeBeau; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse

**Subject:** Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

Hi guys,

I'm hoping to borrow a truck so we can water our recently planted plants on Tuesday 6/7 (preferably with a water tank). Can anybody help? :)

Also, I've been asked by upper management to get a 4x4 vehicle on Monday 6/13 for a site visit with some division chiefs. Katie, do you think the TF truck will be back by then?

Thanks for your help with all this! Sometimes it takes a village! :)

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Subject: **Draft Itinerary for Marin pre-IDT field visit(6/27)**

- A. Leave from Ft.Mason bldg. 201 at 12PM  
(Travel time north, 20 min)
- B. 12:30: Muir Beach, starting near picnic tables and then going up Coastal trail to Pirates Cove & and back down to Kaashi Way & finally to beach- 1.5 hours.
- C. 2:15: Oakwood Valley, taking Meadow trail up to Valley trail and Alta and coming back down Valley trail and identifying social trail used now ~ 60 min)
- D. 3:30: Rodeo beach(if time allows; otherwise separate trip & discuss en-route to FT.Mason)
- E. 4:00: Ft.Mason

Issues:

Muir Beach area: loop trail(s)option; coastal hike; time of use on beach

Oakwood Valley: evaluate loop trail option; seasonal or time of use restrictions.

Rodeo Beach: discuss 'safety' factor of beach identified by families

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**To:** Chad Marin <chad\_marin@nps.gov>, William Merkle <bill\_merkle@nps.gov>, Howard Levitt <Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov>, Brian Aviles <brian\_aviles@nps.gov>, Mia Monroe <mia\_monroe@nps.gov>, Daphne Hatch <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>, Gerald Scheumann <jerry\_scheumann@nps.gov>, Erin Heimbinder <eheimbinder@exemption6>  
**Subject:** Re: pre-IDT Marin county dog mgt field trip on Monday 6/27:12-4PM!  
6/27 Marin county schedule(attached itinerary)\*:

12PM-depart FT.mason

12:15-pick up at bldg. 507 in Ft.Baker

12:40-meet others at Muir beach parking lot near picnic tables for overview

We will be hiking up coastal trail at Muir beach and then up Oakwood Valley; so please wear appropriate layers of clothes\* and hiking shoes.

Please confirm where you will be meeting us in return email.

thanks

Mike

PS. Bill and Daphne please confirm that you will meet us in parking lot for 12:15 departure outside 507.

PPS. Chad-if you are getting to Muir beach late(after 12:40), we will be up coastal trail toward Pirates Cove.

On Thu, Jun 23, 2016 at 4:16 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Sorry, the times are 12-4PM on Monday, and we will be leaving at 12 noon promptly and meeting at Muir beach parking lot for those in Marin at 12:30!

Mike

On Thu, Jun 23, 2016 at 3:33 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi folks,

We had asked that you set aside some time on Monday, June 27, from 12-4PM to participate in field trip (with some hiking) in Marin county to look at areas of key public comment viz a viz sites. Attached is our itinerary and planning considerations. **Please confirm your participation by end of day Friday.** I have a van reserved so we will take off from FT.Mason at 12PM promptly. Can meet those in Marin along way or at Muir beach parking lot at 12:30.

I will have maps of prop rule for each area as handouts. **\*\*Expect that NR will provide initial overview of NR sensitive resources at each area; LE & Facilities reps will identify operational constraints/opptys; and planning will help identify mgt objectives/context for site. I will cover public comment.**

**Thank you.**

**Mike**

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 3:07 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Please hold these dates/times for same requested decisionmking input to Chris to evaluate(and hike) in Marin county:  
Muir beach fencing and loop  
Oakwood Valley loop  
Rodeo fencing  
Other from public comment

thanks,

Mike

PS. Chad-if you feel someone else also should be there to represent LE concerns/issues, please let me know and invite along.

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:55 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Chris would like us to investigate the field parameters for our decision-making regarding San Mateo lands. Since June 6 and 9 did not work, I am requesting that we do this on June 13.

I was thinking that we would get started by 10AM. And I will work out itinerary with Christine F. on Monday that will include:

1. Mori Point-Old Mori trail, Timigtac trail and Headlands Bluff down Bootlegger's steps
2. Milagra ridge-paved scenic view for dogwalkers-Summitt trail?
3. Mori Ridge trail to Nike site
4. Fallow field
5. Airport lands

Can we meet FOMA at 9:30 and pick up maint 4 x 4 at Funston by 10AM? If truck allows four folks then we might ask LE to also bring such a vehicle.

Please confirm your participation.

Mike

On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:40 PM, Bennett, Susan <[susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

I was able to get a 4x4 truck that fits 4 (I believe) for Monday 6/13. What time is our meeting? The truck is stationed out of Fort Funston so we'll either need to meet there or I'll need to pick it up and drive it back to FOMA before heading out to Sweeney.

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From: **Bennett, Susan** <[susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)>

Date: Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 2:38 PM

Subject: Re: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

To: Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)>

Cc: Naomi LeBeau <[NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org](mailto:NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org)>, Ruby Kwan <[RKwan@parksconservancy.org](mailto:RKwan@parksconservancy.org)>, Christina Crooker <[CCrooker@parksconservancy.org](mailto:CCrooker@parksconservancy.org)>, Meghan Steinharter <[msteinharter@parksconservancy.org](mailto:msteinharter@parksconservancy.org)>, Michael Chasse <[michael\\_chasse@nps.gov](mailto:michael_chasse@nps.gov)>, Yakuta Poonawalla <[Ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org](mailto:Ypoonawalla@parksconservancy.org)>, Izaac Russo <[izaac.russo@Exemption 6](mailto:izaac.russo@Exemption 6)>

Thanks, Katie and Naomi! Yakuta, if your truck is still available on Tuesday 6/7, we'd love to use it! (We need it the whole day since our work sites are about an hour away each direction.)

And we'll plan to use yours, Katie, on Monday 6/13. Thanks a bunch!

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On Fri, Jun 3, 2016 at 1:52 PM, Katie Teschler <[kteschler@parksconservancy.org](mailto:kteschler@parksconservancy.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

Jaimie and I picked up the TF truck this morning – it's back at FOFU and ready to drive! I would like to be able to use it either in the morning or afternoon on Tuesday 6/7 to install a book nook at Mori point. What time would you want to borrow it on Tuesday, Susie? Definitely feel free to take it on Monday, 6/13!

Katie

**From:** Naomi LeBeau

**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:17 PM

**To:** Bennett, Susan; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse

**Cc:** Yakuta Poonawalla

**Subject:** RE: Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7



Hey Susie,

Both trucks from 34 are being used, but Yakuta's trucks aren't checked out. Yakuta also has watering supplies that you may be able to borrow in 1226.

I've put Yakuta on this email in case she has needs that haven't been put on the calendar. I'll sign you out a truck in the meantime while you two connect and make plans.

**Naomi LeBeau**

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**From:** Bennett, Susan [[mailto:susie\\_bennett@nps.gov](mailto:susie_bennett@nps.gov)]

**Sent:** Thursday, June 02, 2016 6:12 PM

**To:** Naomi LeBeau; Ruby Kwan; Christina Crooker; Meghan Steinharter; Katie Teschler; Michael Chasse

**Subject:** Borrowing a truck on Tuesday 6/7

Hi guys,

I'm hoping to borrow a truck so we can water our recently planted plants on Tuesday 6/7 (preferably with a water tank). Can anybody help? :)

Also, I've been asked by upper management to get a 4x4 vehicle on Monday 6/13 for a site visit with some division chiefs. Katie, do you think the TF truck will be back by then?

Thanks for your help with all this! Sometimes it takes a village! :)

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Subject: **Draft Itinerary for SF pre-IDT field visit(6/30)**

- A. Leave from Ft.Mason bldg. 201 at 9AM  
(Travel time to Baker beach, 20 min)
- B. 9:20: Baker beach, starting in north parking lot near battery, hiking north along beach and dunes & and back down to Lobos Creek, 45 min.
- C. 10:30: Ocean beach, brief stop at Stairwell 21, then at Stairwell 28 walking south around dunes to snowy plover habitat; back in van along Great Highway to Judah then Taraval St. dune outlets ~ 60 min)
- D. 11:30:Return to FOMA\*
- E. 12PM: Arrive Ft.Mason

Issues:

**Baker beach area:** dog free visitor oppty should be close to parking; off-leash, north of battery reduces potential conflicts; time of use on beach accommodates neighbors and historic use.

**Ocean beach:** weekday, seasonal or time of use to accommodate residents below Lincoln; designate on-leash only above Stairwell 21; improve the scenic, natural beach experience by eliminating all dogs; improve buffer zone for T & E species and shorebirds; utilize natural landform as demarcation; no safe alternative for on-leash south of Lincoln.

**\*Optional addition if time allows:** Funston: review Funston beach north trail access challenges

## Open questions:

1. Is there a formal definition of an administrative warning letter?  
Why is this not called a warning letter?  
Do we need to specify that is coming from LE, LT or OSPU?  
I removed the line where it said the letter is coming from the permit office, as that seemed pointlessly limiting, but internally we can make it OSPU's responsibility.
  2. I removed "at discretion of law enforcement" from the list of consequences for offenses, as it may be that LE makes a recommendation to the Superintendent which is not followed. I put in "discretion of the Park" instead. I realize the Park is not a person, so it might be better to say NPS staff... though it isn't up to any and all staff.
  3. Do you think this can be applied to all Special Use Permits?
  4. Can what is being proposed be accomplished?  
Do any of these consequences violate 36 CFR including <https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/36/1.3>
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## Draft Guidelines for Interim CDW Permit Probation and Revocation Updated July 1, 2016

According to Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the following applies:

### § 2.50

*(e) Violation of the terms and conditions of a permit issued in accordance with this section is prohibited and may result in the suspension or revocation of the permit.*

Additionally, according to permit conditions 4 and 5 in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) Commercial Dog Walking Special Use Permit (CDWSUP), which the permit holder has agreed to, the following applies:

*4. In carrying out activities under this permit, Permittee and its agents, at Permittee's expense, shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including those found in 36 CFR Parts 1-5.*

*5. Any failure by the Permittee or its agents to comply with applicable laws and regulations or with any of the terms and conditions of this permit may result in the immediate probation or revocation of the permit as determined in the sole discretion of the Superintendent, or his or her designee. Permittee expressly acknowledges the revocable nature of this permit. If this permit is revoked, Permittee and its Company Badge Holders may not engage in any commercial dog walking activities that require a commercial dog walking permit.*

In order to maintain safety for Park staff, Park visitors, and the Natural and Cultural Resources of the park, the following consequences for permit violations will be in place beginning immediately:

**First offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a first offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

- Warning letter *and* any or all of the following:
- Probation of permit
- Suspension of permit

**Second offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a second offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

- Warning letter *and* any or all of the following:
- Probation of permit
- Suspension of permit
- Revocation of permit

*A second offense involves receiving a Citation while operating under Probation of Permit – OR - Second Citation for violating a term or condition of a permit or for violating any applicable laws and regulations while carrying out activities under this permit within GGNRA.*

**Third offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a third offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

- Warning letter *and* any or all of the following:
- Suspension of permit
- Revocation of permit

*A third offense involves receiving a Citation while operating under Probation of Permit – OR - Third Citation for violating a term or condition of a permit or for violating any applicable laws and regulations while carrying out activities under this permit within GGNRA.*

## **GLOSSARY**

### **Appeal Process**

Any person who has a permit revoked or suspended may file a written appeal to the Park.

There is no appeal process offered for a permit under probation, as the permit holder is still able to operate within the Park.

The written appeal will be reviewed by a panel consisting of General Superintendent's designee,

member of Special Park Uses Office, and a member of the Park's Visitor and Resource Protection Division or the United States Park Police. The Officer or Ranger who issued the citation will provide the panel with additional details regarding the citation, and therefore neither they nor their direct supervisor will be a member of the panel hearing the appeal.

A permit holder may begin this appeal process at any time after receiving a warning letter. The Park's goal is to have a written reply to the permit holder within one month of receiving the appeal, but may be delayed, especially if there is a current citation to the permit holder that is going through judicial process.

After the Suspension or Revocation period is over, the permit holder may apply for a new permit. Approval is not guaranteed.

### **Offense**

Warning or citation for violating a term or condition of a permit or for violating applicable laws and regulations while carrying out activities under this permit within GGNRA.

### **Order of Consequences**

#### **1. Probation** *(lowest level of consequences)*

Probation of a permit allows a permit holder to still operate in the park, but puts the permit holder on warning that a second offense will likely result in the suspension or revocation of their permit.

**Duration:** Until February 1st of the following year or until six months have elapsed from Probation date, whichever is longer.

#### **2. Suspension** *(middle level of consequences)*

A suspended permit prohibits the permit holder from operating within the Park during the suspension period, but is of a shorter duration than a revoked permit.

**Duration:** Until February 1st of the following year or until six months have elapsed from Suspension date, whichever is longer.

#### **3. Revocation** *(highest level of consequences)*

A revoked permit prohibits the permit holder from operating within the Park during the current permitting year and a full year afterwards.

**Duration:** For the remainder of the current permitting year and one full year after that.

### **Warning Letter**

A written letter sent to the permit holder by mail or email from the Park. The letter identifies the violation and clarifies the nature and duration of the consequences which have resulted from the violation.

Message

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**From:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/25/2013 2:35:34 PM  
**To:** Alison Forrestel [Alison\_Forrestel@nps.gov]; Allen Fish [afish@parksconservancy.org]; Andrew Georgeades [Andrew\_Georgeades@nps.gov]; Betty Young [byoung@parksconservancy.org]; Bill Frick [Bill\_Frick@nps.gov]; Bill Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]; Bruce Badzik [Bruce\_Badzik@nps.gov]; Caroline Christman [cchristman@parksconservancy.org]; Carolyn Shoulders [Carolyn\_Shoulders@nps.gov]; Chris Briggs [cbriggs@parksconservancy.org]; Christina Crooker [ccrooker@parksconservancy.org]; Craig Scott [Craig\_Scott@nps.gov]; Daniel George [Daniel\_George@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]; Darren Fong [Darren\_Fong@nps.gov]; henry75 [henry75@sonic.net]; James Cartan [James\_Cartan@nps.gov]; Jonathan Sifuentes-Winter [Jonathan\_Sifuentes-Winter@nps.gov]; Katie Booth [Katie\_Booth@nps.gov]; Kristen Ward [Kristen\_Ward@nps.gov]; Maria Alvarez [Maria\_Alvarez@nps.gov]; Michael Chasse [Michael\_Chasse@nps.gov]; Michelle O'Herron [moherron@parksconservancy.org]; Naomi LeBeau [NLeBeau@parksconservancy.org]; Robert Steers [Robert\_Steers@nps.gov]; Sharon Farrell [sfarrell@parksconservancy.org]; Stephen Skartvedt [Stephen\_Skartvedt@nps.gov]; Sue Gardner [sgardner@parksconservancy.org]; Susie Bennett [Susie\_Bennett@nps.gov]; Tamara Williams [Tamara\_Williams@nps.gov]; Victoria Seher [Victoria\_Seher@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Canine Behavior/Bite Prevention - RECOMMENDED FOR FIELD STAFF IN AREAS FREQUENTED BY DOGS

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**From:** Roth, Aaron <[aaron\\_roth@nps.gov](mailto:aaron_roth@nps.gov)>  
**Date:** Mon, Mar 25, 2013 at 1:48 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Canine Behaviour/Bite Prevention  
**To:** Aaron Roth <[aaron\\_roth@nps.gov](mailto:aaron_roth@nps.gov)>, Abby Fisher <[Abby\\_Sue\\_Fisher@nps.gov](mailto:Abby_Sue_Fisher@nps.gov)>, brian\_ullensvang <[brian\\_ullensvang@nps.gov](mailto:brian_ullensvang@nps.gov)>, daphne\_hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>, Don Mannel <[don\\_mannel@nps.gov](mailto:don_mannel@nps.gov)>, "Feierabend, Carey" <[carey\\_feierabend@nps.gov](mailto:carey_feierabend@nps.gov)>, Frank Dean <[frank\\_dean@nps.gov](mailto:frank_dean@nps.gov)>, Howard Levitt <[howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov)>, Jessica Carter <[jessica\\_carter@nps.gov](mailto:jessica_carter@nps.gov)>, kevin\_cochary <[kevin\\_cochary@nps.gov](mailto:kevin_cochary@nps.gov)>, Laurinda Furtado <[lori\\_furtado@nps.gov](mailto:lori_furtado@nps.gov)>, michael\_j\_savidge <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)>, Michele Gee <[michele\\_gee@nps.gov](mailto:michele_gee@nps.gov)>, nancy\_honor <[nancy\\_honor@nps.gov](mailto:nancy_honor@nps.gov)>, Steven Maged <[steven\\_maged@nps.gov](mailto:steven_maged@nps.gov)>

Did I say March? I meant the training was on APRIL 8

On Mon, Mar 25, 2013 at 1:48 PM, Roth, Aaron <[aaron\\_roth@nps.gov](mailto:aaron_roth@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Senior Staff,

Shirwin and I wanted to make sure you were aware, and had the opportunity to encourage attendance for, an upcoming safety and awareness training on **March 8 from 12-1:30 (bring a lunch) in Building 201, First Floor conferene area.**

***NPS and Parks Conservancy employees that regularly work in the field, especially where off-lease use is prevalent, are strongly encouraged to attend***

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Thank you!

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Message

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**From:** Christine Lehnertz [chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/6/2016 7:32:44 AM  
**To:** Brian Aviles [brian\_aviles@nps.gov]; Jessica Carter [Jessica\_Carter@nps.gov]; Dan Collman [dan\_collman@nps.gov]; Miko De Pedro [kimiko\_depedro@nps.gov]; Carey Feierabend [Carey\_Feierabend@nps.gov]; Abby Sue Fisher [abby\_sue\_fisher@nps.gov]; Michele Gee [Michele\_Gee@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [Daphne\_Hatch@nps.gov]; Randy Lavasseur [randy\_lavasseur@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [howard\_levitt@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; Aaron Roth [aaron\_roth@nps.gov]; Michael Savidge [Michael\_J\_Savidge@nps.gov]; Gerald Scheumann [jerry\_scheumann@nps.gov]; Noreen Schirmer [noreen\_schirmer@nps.gov]; Jennifer Treutelaar [jennifer\_treutelaar@nps.gov]; Brian Ullensvang [brian\_ullensvang@nps.gov]; alison\_forrestel@nps.gov; george\_durgerian@nps.gov; katharine\_arrow@nps.gov; Laura\_Castellini@nps.gov; stephen\_haller@nps.gov; steve\_ortega@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Re: LT at 10:45 this morning

Sorry - I hit Send accidentally, before finishing!

There's no formal presentation on our agenda, though we will spend a little bit of time talking about the dog management IDT meeting that starts two weeks from today, and the WASO briefings scheduled for the subsequent week.

We'll use most of the time to share updates.

Thanks much!

Chris

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> On Jul 6, 2016, at 7:29 AM, Christine Lehnertz <chris\_lehnertz@nps.gov> wrote:  
>  
> Hi All,  
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> Due to a conflict on my schedule, we'll start LT at 10:45 today, in  
> the Golden Gate room in Building 201.  
>  
> There's no formal presentation  
>  
> Chris Lehnertz, Superintendent  
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**From:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/6/2016 4:55:20 PM  
**To:** Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Timothy Hodge [timothy\_hodge@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Kristin Wheeler [wheeler.kristin@nps.gov]; [Exemption 6]; noemi margaret [noemi\_robinson@nps.gov]; Erin Heimbinder [eheimbinder@nps.gov]; [exemption 6]  
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**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(7/7 )from 10:30-12

Attached is our draft overall agenda. Please let me know if there are any other items for the agenda that require a timely action or response.

Please note that we will be discussing CDW interim permit violations "guidelines"(attached below) drafted by Noemi as well as the Corgi Event request and past history of any communications with them.

Will also cover upcoming IDT agenda (attached here with one of the pre-read handouts).

Thanks,

Mike

**Subject: Draft Agenda for Dog Mgt Plan Coordination mtg.**

(Thursday, 7/07:10:30-12PM); Location: Chris's office.

Call-in #: 1-866-732-4230, then dial Non-Responsive

**A. Interim Commercial Dogwalking (10:30-11:00)**

-CDW interim permit violations: draft protocol; Corgi event request  
(Katie/Noemi)

**B. Enforcement Reports(11-11:15)**

-LE/USPP weekly field reports (Xave;Tim)

**C. Proposed Rule (11:15-11:30)**

-IDT agenda(attached):7/20-22(Mike, Michael)  
-Follow-up pre-IDT field trips (Mike)

**D. Communications (11:30-11:45)**

-Update on Media/Messaging Results (Kristin)  
-FOIA Update; Production Schedule: Milestones with Actions  
Required (Kristin)

**E. Other Related Planning Considerations (11:45-11:50)**

-Status (Mike)

**F. WASO/DOI status reports (11:50-12)**

-Draft WASO briefing(Mike)  
-Draft Comms Plan(Kristin)

**DRAFT Agenda**  
**Roundtable Meeting**  
**GGNRA Dog Management Plan/  
Proposed Rule**  
**July 20-22, 2016 – Golden Gate Room**



-----Wednesday, July 20 -----

- Welcome and Introductions (Park) 12:45 –1PM
- Review of meeting goals and parameters and handouts (Park) 1:00-1:15PM
- Review of dog mgt. planning principles, alt elements common to all, and alt elements considered but dismissed (EQD) (handouts) 1:15-1:45PM
- Review of decision-making process 1:45-2:00PM
- Site-specific alternative element considerations 2:00 – 4:45PM
  - Marin County

-----Thursday, July 21 -----

- Recap from Wednesday 8:15 – 8:30 AM
- Site-specific alternative element considerations 8:30 – 10:00
  - San Francisco County
- BREAK** 10:00-10:15 AM
- Site-specific alternative element considerations 10:15 – 12 NOON
  - San Francisco County continued
- LUNCH** 12-12:45PM
- Site-specific alternative element considerations 12:45 – 2:30PM
  - San Francisco County continued
- BREAK** 2:30-2:45PM
- Other non-geographic alternative element considerations 2:45 – 4:45 PM
- ADJOURN** 4:45 PM

-----Friday, July 22 -----

- Recap from Thursday 8:15 – 8:30AM
- Site-specific alternative element considerations 8:30 – 10:00AM
  - San Mateo County

<b>BREAK</b>	<b>10:00-10:15 AM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Site-specific alternative element considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● San Mateo County continued</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>10:15 – 12 NOON</b>
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>12-12:45PM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Site-specific alternative element considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● San Mateo County continued</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>12:45 – 2:30PM</b>
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>2:30-2:45PM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Site-specific alternative element considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● San Mateo County continued</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>2:45 – 4:15PM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Meeting Review and Next Steps re: FEIS and Final Rule (EQD and Park)</li> </ul>	<b>4:15 – 4:45 PM</b>
<b>ADJOURN</b>	<b>4:45 PM</b>

## **Planning Principles:**

### **SEIS PURPOSE, NEED, OBJECTIVES OF DOG MGMT PLAN**

#### **Purpose for Taking Action**

The purpose of the Draft Dog Management Plan / Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (draft plan/SEIS) is to determine the manner and extent of dog use in appropriate areas of the park. This draft plan/SEIS would promote the following objectives:

- Provide a clear, enforceable dog management policy
- Preserve and protect natural and cultural resources and natural processes
- Provide a variety of visitor experiences
- Improve visitor and employee safety
- Reduce user conflicts
- Maintain park resources and values for future generations.

#### **Need for Action**

A plan/EIS is needed because Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA or park) resources and values, as defined by the park's enabling legislation and the National Park Service (NPS) Organic Act, could be compromised to the extent that, without action, those resources and values in some areas of the park might not be available for enjoyment by future generations. Additionally, a dog management policy inconsistent with NPS regulations and increased public expectations for use of the park for dog recreation have resulted in controversy, litigation, and compromised visitor and employee safety, affecting visitor experience and resulting in resource degradation. The conflicts will likely escalate if not addressed in a comprehensive plan/EIS.

#### **OBJECTIVES (operationalized in red text below, including alts common to all, alts considered but dismissed)**

Objectives are specific goals that describe what GGNRA intends to accomplish by preparing a plan/EIS. These objectives come from a variety of sources, including NPS management policies, laws, and regulations. The objectives help develop alternatives for evaluation and public review. The internal scoping process yielded the following specific objectives for this planning process:

#### **Natural Resources**

- Protect native wildlife and their habitat (including sensitive species and their habitat, and federally or state listed, unique, or rare species) from detrimental effects of dog use, including harassment or disturbance by dogs.
- Minimize degradation of vegetation, soil and water resources by dog use.
- Preserve opportunities for future natural resource restoration and enhancement.

Preserve large areas of contiguous habitat and focus dog walking in developed or disturbed areas, or on periphery of habitat areas. This preserves habitat connectivity and corridors; also important for wide ranging mammals (e.g. lions, coyotes, bobcats).

Continued protection of areas that have previously received special protection through rulemaking (Crissy Field WPA and Ocean Beach SPPA).

No voice and sight control on trails (see p. 93 SEIS)

A ROLA is inappropriate in areas where there is habitat for listed species that can be harmed by off-leash dogs.

Permits required for more than 3 dogs for both commercial and non-commercial.

Demarcations such as fencing to define areas and improve management so long as does not prevent movement of wildlife.

Monitoring management plan.

### **Visitor Experience and Safety**

- Minimize conflicts related to dog use by providing a variety of safe, high-quality visitor use experiences, including areas where dogs are allowed.

Provide for a range of visitor experiences, including off-leash dog walking and dog-free visitor experiences.

No voice and sight control on trails (see p. 93 SEIS).

Where NPS lands abut adjacent park jurisdictions, dog walking regulation should be as consistent as possible with adjacent jurisdictional requirements, to minimize confusion, increase compliance, and ensure continuity of visitor experience.

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Parking lot and picnic areas generally open to dogs with some site specific exceptions, all are closed to commercial dog walking, dogs off leash, and those with more than 3 dogs.

Dogs are prohibited in campgrounds.

Various dog walking requirements as described in SEIS Appendix E and further refined in the Proposed Rule (definition of voice and sight control, unattended dogs, ID tags, leash length, etc).

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### **Law Enforcement / Compliance with Dog Rules, and Park Operations**

- Maximize dog walker compliance with clear, enforceable parameters in order to improve park operations and use of staff resources in managing dog walking.

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### **Park Operations**

- Provide adaptability and flexibility so that information gathered from monitoring can be used in future decision making based on estimated outcomes, including in new park areas.
- Ensure a safe and healthy working environment for park staff.
- Evaluate commercial dog walking, and if allowed, create and implement an enforceable policy.

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### **Cultural Resources**



- Preserve opportunities for future cultural resource restoration and enhancement.
- Protect cultural resources from the detrimental effects of dog use.

Prevent digging around important cultural sites, including batteries.

Monitoring management plan.

### **Education**

- Build community support for the plan to maximize management of dog walking use.
- Increase public understanding of NPS policies.

Routine outreach to stakeholder groups and formation of partnerships.

Monitoring management plan.

### **Nine Guiding Principles from Negotiated Rulemaking Consensus:**

- Guiding Principle 1: Minimize conflicts with other visitors and park staff.
- Guiding Principle 2: Protect sensitive species and their habitat. Sensitive species means federal-listed, state-listed, unique or rare species.
- Guiding Principle 3: Protect native wildlife and their habitat.
- Guiding Principle 4: Minimize soil/water resources degradation.
- Guiding Principle 5: Ensure consistency with National Park Service visitor experience definition.
- Guiding Principle 6: Continue recreational use including special events.
- Guiding Principle 7: Avoid obstructions/barriers to wildlife, except where the purpose of barriers would be protective of wildlife.
- Guiding Principle 8: Ensure public safety/visitor protection.
- Guiding Principle 9: Consider historic and social use values

## Open questions:

1. Is there a formal definition of an administrative warning letter?  
Why is this not called a warning letter?  
Do we need to specify that is coming from LE, LT or OSPU?  
I removed the line where it said the letter is coming from the permit office, as that seemed pointlessly limiting, but internally we can make it OSPU's responsibility.
  2. I removed "at discretion of law enforcement" from the list of consequences for offenses, as it may be that LE makes a recommendation to the Superintendent which is not followed. I put in "discretion of the Park" instead. I realize the Park is not a person, so it might be better to say NPS staff... though it isn't up to any and all staff.
  3. Do you think this can be applied to all Special Use Permits?
  4. Can what is being proposed be accomplished?  
Do any of these consequences violate 36 CFR including <https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/36/1.3>
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## Draft Guidelines for Interim CDW Permit Probation and Revocation Updated July 1, 2016

According to Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the following applies:

### § 2.50

*(e) Violation of the terms and conditions of a permit issued in accordance with this section is prohibited and may result in the suspension or revocation of the permit.*

Additionally, according to permit conditions 4 and 5 in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) Commercial Dog Walking Special Use Permit (CDWSUP), which the permit holder has agreed to, the following applies:

*4. In carrying out activities under this permit, Permittee and its agents, at Permittee's expense, shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including those found in 36 CFR Parts 1-5.*

*5. Any failure by the Permittee or its agents to comply with applicable laws and regulations or with any of the terms and conditions of this permit may result in the immediate probation or revocation of the permit as determined in the sole discretion of the Superintendent, or his or her designee. Permittee expressly acknowledges the revocable nature of this permit. If this permit is revoked, Permittee and its Company Badge Holders may not engage in any commercial dog walking activities that require a commercial dog walking permit.*

In order to maintain safety for Park staff, Park visitors, and the Natural and Cultural Resources of the park, the following consequences for permit violations will be in place beginning immediately:

**First offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a first offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

- Warning letter *and* any or all of the following:
- Probation of permit
- Suspension of permit

**Second offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a second offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

- Warning letter *and* any or all of the following:
- Probation of permit
- Suspension of permit
- Revocation of permit

*A second offense involves receiving a Citation while operating under Probation of Permit – OR - Second Citation for violating a term or condition of a permit or for violating any applicable laws and regulations while carrying out activities under this permit within GGNRA.*

**Third offense:**

Based on the severity of the offense and other contributing factors, the consequences for a third offense are at the discretion of the Park and include following, in addition to any law enforcement actions such as a citation or court appearance.

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## **GLOSSARY**

### **Appeal Process**

Any person who has a permit revoked or suspended may file a written appeal to the Park.

There is no appeal process offered for a permit under probation, as the permit holder is still able to operate within the Park.

The written appeal will be reviewed by a panel consisting of General Superintendent's designee,

member of Special Park Uses Office, and a member of the Park's Visitor and Resource Protection Division or the United States Park Police. The Officer or Ranger who issued the citation will provide the panel with additional details regarding the citation, and therefore neither they nor their direct supervisor will be a member of the panel hearing the appeal.

A permit holder may begin this appeal process at any time after receiving a warning letter. The Park's goal is to have a written reply to the permit holder within one month of receiving the appeal, but may be delayed, especially if there is a current citation to the permit holder that is going through judicial process.

After the Suspension or Revocation period is over, the permit holder may apply for a new permit. Approval is not guaranteed.

### **Offense**

Warning or citation for violating a term or condition of a permit or for violating applicable laws and regulations while carrying out activities under this permit within GGNRA.

### **Order of Consequences**

#### **1. Probation** *(lowest level of consequences)*

Probation of a permit allows a permit holder to still operate in the park, but puts the permit holder on warning that a second offense will likely result in the suspension or revocation of their permit.

**Duration:** Until February 1st of the following year or until six months have elapsed from Probation date, whichever is longer.

#### **2. Suspension** *(middle level of consequences)*

A suspended permit prohibits the permit holder from operating within the Park during the suspension period, but is of a shorter duration than a revoked permit.

**Duration:** Until February 1st of the following year or until six months have elapsed from Suspension date, whichever is longer.

#### **3. Revocation** *(highest level of consequences)*

A revoked permit prohibits the permit holder from operating within the Park during the current permitting year and a full year afterwards.

**Duration:** For the remainder of the current permitting year and one full year after that.

### **Warning Letter**

A written letter sent to the permit holder by mail or email from the Park. The letter identifies the violation and clarifies the nature and duration of the consequences which have resulted from the violation.

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**A. Interim CDW report 10:30-10:40 (Katie/Noemi)**

**B. Enforcement Reports(10:40-10:50)**

-LE/USPP weekly field reports (Xave;Tim)

**C. Status of Legislative Action (10:50-11)(Chris)**

**D. Proposed Rule (11-11:15)**

-status of IDT materials (Mike, Michael)

-Recent pre-IDT field trips (Mike)

-ROD/Final rule process (Mike, Michael)

**E. Other Related Planning Considerations (11:15-11:30)**

-Overall Timelines; Signage, Facilities, LE Phasing (Mike, Andrea, Dan C., Chad)

**F. Communications (11:30-11:45)**

-Update on Media/Messaging Results (Kristin)

-FOIA Update; Production Schedule: Milestones with Actions Required (Kristin)

**G. WASO/DOI status reports (11:45-12)**

-WASO briefing discussion (Chris, Mike)

-Draft Comms Plan (Howard/Kristin/Erin)



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**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(7/7 )from 10:30-12

To accommodate Comms Division, we will rearrange agenda such that Planning Considerations & Timelines are now up at 11:15-1:30. Dan, Chad, Noreen, and Andrea: please note that you should be there at 11:165 now instead. See attached revised agenda schedule.

Thanks,

Mike

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**Subject:** CANCELLED: 7/28 Dog Mgmt Meeting

Hello all,

With much of the dog management team out or traveling this week we will NOT hold the dog coordination meeting tomorrow (7/28).

Stay tuned for next week!

Thanks,  
Kristin

Message

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**From:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/22/2016 8:55:32 AM  
**To:** Darren Fong [Darren\_Fong@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Mori trails?

Hi Darren,

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Discussing San Mateo trails this morning.

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Daphne

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**To:** Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Mori trails?

Daphne- just spoke with Susie about Upper Mori and L. trail (can;'t remember spelling). Dogs on either would not be a first choice. We've had snakes basking on trails (nice and dark) before and increasing dog use could lead to potential conflicts.

Darren Fong  
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-Status of 2012-2016 incident summaries (Xave, Tim)

**C. Proposed Rule (11:-11:15)**

-WASO briefing/decisions (Chris/Aaron)

-FEIS schedule/follow-up (Michael)

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**Subject:** Re: No dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(8/25)

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On Wed, Aug 17, 2016 at 12:06 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

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Getting back on track with our dog mgt coord mtgs. Attached is a draft agenda for tomorrow. Please let me know if there are timely items that need to be addressed to be included.

thanks,

Mike

Message

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**From:** Schirmer, Noreen [noreen\_schirmer@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/29/2016 2:56:26 PM  
**To:** Lavasseur, Randolph [randy\_lavasseur@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Merkle, William [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; Michael Savidge [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]; Jerry Marshall [jerry\_marshall@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: From NPS.gov: Buckosan@gr [Exemption 6]

Hi all,

I have looped Jerry Marshall into this conversation. I concur with Randy's assessment and would re-emphasize that the should call dispatch if they see a violation, preferable at the time the violation is occurring.

On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 2:04 PM, Lavasseur, Randolph <randy\_lavasseur@nps.gov> wrote:

Yes, they do outreach and education if its in the area they are in. if they are watching a rip with people in or around the water they will keep there focus on the water and people and wont be distracted.

On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 1:58 PM, Merkle, William <bill\_merkle@nps.gov> wrote:

Hi,

I can respond. I am not sure whether truck reference was literal or not?

One question I have is whether lifeguards do any outreach related to off leash dogs in the snowy plover protection area-or if that is just too distracting from their focus on water safety?

-Bill

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On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 1:49 PM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:

I was hoping that either you guys or Bill would respond. I don't plan to.

Thanks.

Daphne

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On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 1:16 PM, Lavasseur, Randolph <[randy\\_lavasseur@nps.gov](mailto:randy_lavasseur@nps.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Daphne,

I would advise them that we are in the rule making process right now and are hiring more staff and encourage them to call us at dispatch when they see this accrue. Not sure if the truck was a lifeguard or maintenance. Added mike and USPP too.

Randy

On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 12:19 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:  
There is a question in the attached social media request. Any takers on providing a response?

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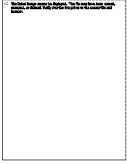
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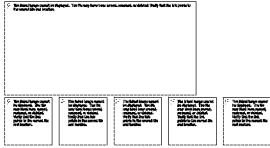
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To: Howard Levitt <[howard\\_levitt@nps.gov](mailto:howard_levitt@nps.gov)>, Daphne Hatch <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)>



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 To: [goga\\_socialmedia\\_goga@nps.gov](mailto:goga_socialmedia_goga@nps.gov)

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Mailing Address:

Daniel Bucko  
[Exemption 6](mailto:Exemption 6)  
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I was at Ocean Beach yesterday Sunday August 28th. There were two large groups of snowy plovers feeding near the Judah area of the beach. On two occasions I saw two off-leash dogs chasing the birds. I was only walking by for a minute or two. I can imagine this went on all day. What is the GGNRA doing besides sitting in a truck? Regards, Daniel Bucko [Exemption 6](mailto:Exemption 6)

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**Subject: Draft Agenda for Dog Mgt Plan Coordination mtg.**

(Thursday, 9/1:10:30-12PM); Location: GG room.

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**A. CDW report (10:30-10:40)**

-Issues to resolve?(Noemi/Katie)

**B. Enforcement Reports(10:40-11)**

-LE/USPP weekly field reports (Xave;Tim)

-Status of 2012-2016 incident summaries (Xave, Tim)

**C. FEIS/final Rule (11:-11:30)**

-Map review for final changes/decisions (Mike)

(MUB, Ft.Baker, Ft.Mason, Crissy Airfield, Baker Beach, Mori Point, Milagra, Rancho(Flat Top))

-Timeline (Mike/Michael)

**D. Communications (11:30-11:50)**

-Status of Legislative Action (Howard/Hale/Aaron)

-Update on Media/Messaging Results (Erin)

-Status of Comms Plan (Howard/Hale/Kristin)

-FOIA Update; Production Schedule: Milestones with Actions Required (Kristin)

**E. Planning Considerations (11:50-12) (Mike)**

-Outreach & Educ

-Facilities

-Monitoring

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**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg tomorrow(9/1)

I will not be there but sent invite to Bill.

Also, I need to write up a dog incident I was part of this week but I'm out the door. A woman with 6 dogs off leash on Old Bunker Rd had one of her dogs run off and chase a deer that was several hundred yards away and way up the hill. I asked her to call her dog and she said 'oh he saw a deer' and I asked if she was going to let it chase the deer. She just let it go with barely any attempt to stop it. There's more but that's the gist. I'll try to remember to write it up. Her dog got within 20 ft of the deer that got away.

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Hi all,

Attached is our agenda for tomorrow. We will be meeting in GG room since we will be doing final map reviews with decision points from IDT. Full agenda attached. Thanks for your participation and representation of your division in these decisions!

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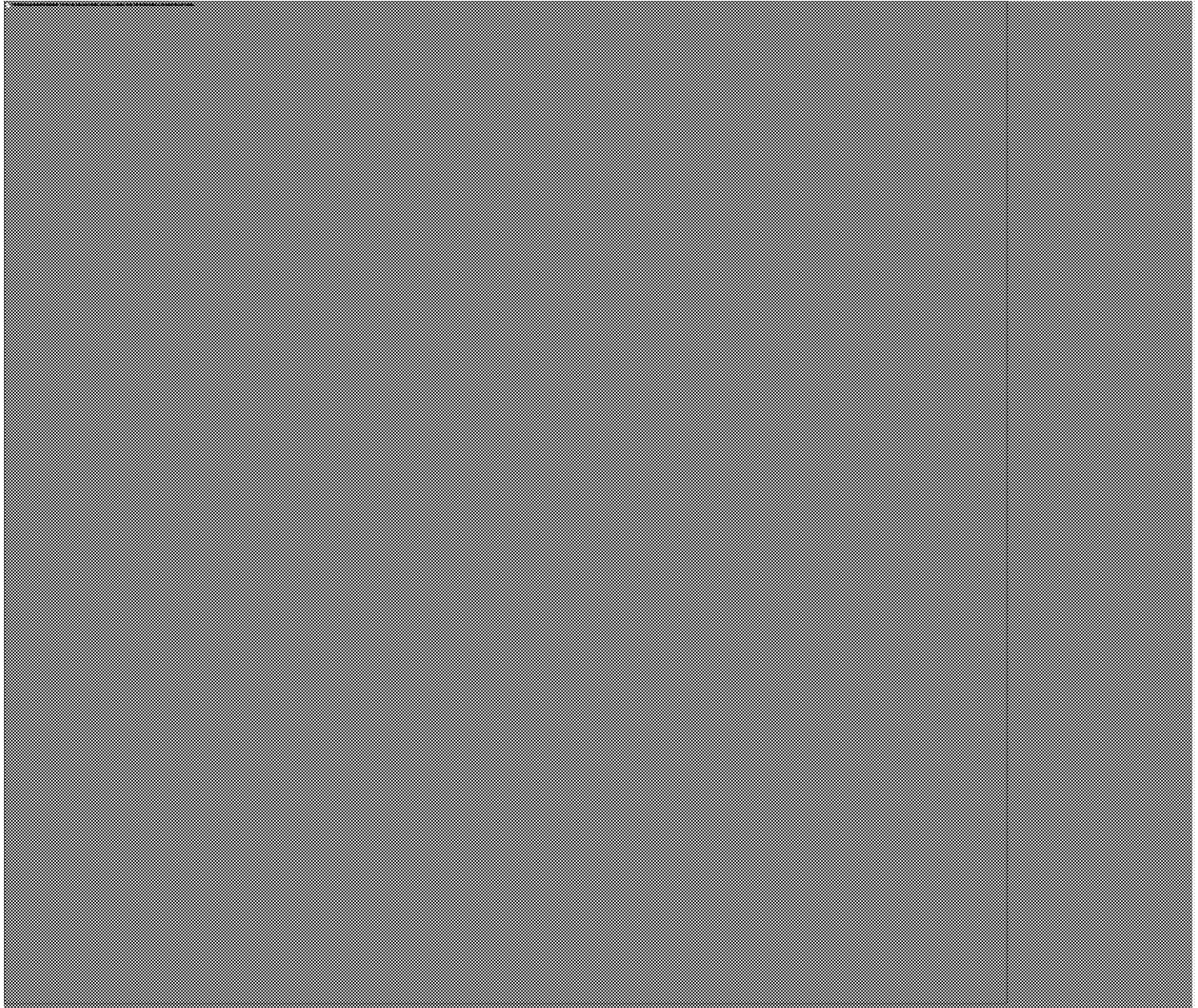
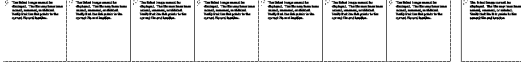
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**on behalf of** Golden Gate National Recreation Area [goga\_planning@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/27/2014 7:01:19 PM  
**To:** daphne\_hatch@nps.gov  
**Subject:** Commercial Dog Walking in GGNRA and Presidio

This email best viewed with [images displayed](#).



**Interim Permit Requirement for Commercial Dog Walking in  
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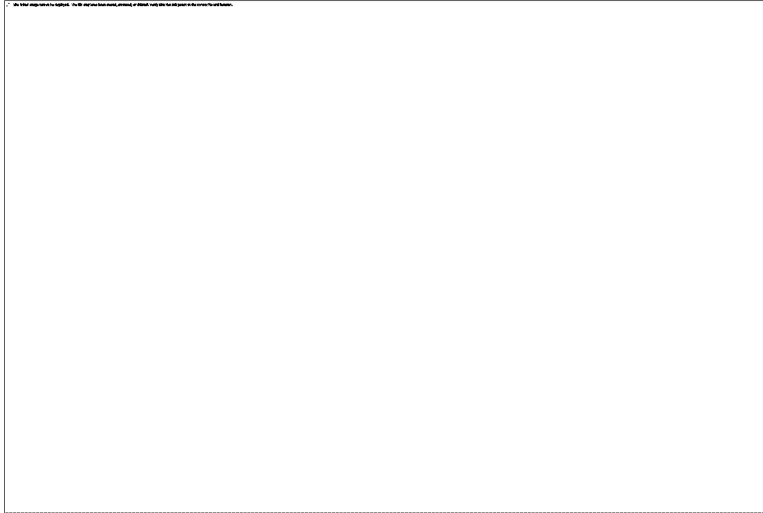
Dear Park Friend,

On May 27, Golden Gate National Recreation (GGNRA) Superintendent Frank Dean, in coordination with the Presidio Trust, signed into effect an interim permit requirement for commercial dog walkers on lands administered by the National Park Service in Marin and San Francisco counties. This NPS decision follows a public notice on the NPS proposal released on March 14, 2014. Comments received since the notice of proposed action was released have helped shape the final requirements, timeline and format of the application process. This interim permit requirement will remain in effect until a final special regulation addressing dog walking and commercial dog walking in GGNRA is completed, in late 2015.

### Bird Walk at Mountain Lake - June 7, 2014

Come observe the bird life at Mountain Lake! This walk will be open to all skill levels. Field guides and binoculars will be provided. We will meet at the beach on the south side of the lake by the tennis courts at 1pm, and will return at 3pm.

For more information, click [here](#).



### Permit Details

Detailed information on permit requirements and how to apply can be found at [www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialparkuses.htm](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialparkuses.htm).

Permit holders will be able to use any GGNRA and Presidio Trust (Trust) lands where dog walking is allowed. On GGNRA Marin and San Francisco lands, permit holders will continue to be able to walk dogs off leash and under voice control in areas currently open to voice control per the 1979 Pet Policy.

The annual permit cost will consist of a \$75 application fee, and a \$300 fee per individual dog walker, for a non-transferable badge. As an example, the annual cost for a company with one employee conducting commercial dog walking will be \$375; for a company employing two dog walkers, the total annual cost will be \$675. There will be a separate process and reduced cost for replacement badges. The permit costs are based on cost recovery estimates for the management and administration of the commercial dog walking program. As we are part way through 2014, the \$300 badge cost will be prorated to \$175. The \$75 application cost will remain unchanged.

Permits issued this year will be valid until January 31, 2015. The open application period for 2015 will be the month of January, and the permit will be valid until January 31, 2016.

### Requirements

Certain requirements must be met in order to be issued a permit. Where possible, we are following the same requirements as the county jurisdictions in which the commercial dog walking will take place. If you will be conducting commercial dog

walking in both San Francisco and Marin Counties, you will need to meet the requirements for both counties.

### **Training Requirements**

- If you are conducting commercial dog walking in San Francisco, you are required to either:
  - complete one of the courses accepted by San Francisco Animal Care and Control (see <http://helpacc.org/SFDogWalkerLaw/2013/04/19/recommended-schools-to-fulfill-training-requirement/>) **OR**
  - provide proof of three consecutive years as a commercial dog walker in good standing.
- If you are conducting commercial dog walking in the county of Marin, you are required to have completed the Marin Pet Care Association (MPCA) Trail Manners Class, **OR** one of the courses accepted in San Francisco (see <http://www.marinpetcareassociation.org/trailmanners.html>)
- If you have completed one of these programs in the past, you will not need to re-take it, but rather must provide documentation of completion as part of your permit application submission.

### **Insurance Requirements**

A Certificate of Insurance is required, for \$1,000,000 per occurrence/ \$2,000,000 aggregate, listing "The U.S. Government, National Park Service, and Golden Gate National Recreation Area" as Additional Insured.

A valid business license is also required from the county or counties in which commercial dog walking will take place.

### **Implementation**

The Compendium Amendment, signed by the General Superintendent, will go into effect June 2, 2014, and applications will begin to be processed at that time. Application forms and instructions are available now [here](#). It will take no longer than 30 days after receipt of completed qualifying applications for GGNRA to issue the permit.

A transition period will allow filing permit application packages and receiving the permit within 30 days after submitting a complete application packet. Applicants who submit complete application packages will be given a "reference number" as proof they have begun the process while waiting to receive the permit and badge. This "reference number" should be carried at all times when walking dogs commercially in GGNRA, after June 2, 2014, until such time as you receive your completed permit.

### **For Application and Permits:**

<http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialparkuses.htm>

### **For More Information on the Decision:**

To see the Compendium Amendment and supporting documents visit

<http://go.nps.gov/commercialdogwalking>

- 1) Click the "Document List" link on the left side
- 2) Select the link "Interim Compendium Amendment for Commercial Dog Walking"

### **Information about the Presidio Trust Commercial Dog Walking Interim Rule:**

<http://www.presidio.gov/about/Pages/commercial-dog-walking.aspx>

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The National Park Service has issued a Proposed Rule for public comment.

Summary: The National Park Service is proposing to define and differentiate service animals, from pets, domestic animals, feral animals, livestock, and pack animals, and describe the circumstances under which service animals would be allowed in a park area.

Public Comments are due June 17, 2014.

Here is a link to the document and also attached to this document for your information.

No action is needed from you.

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# Proposed Rules

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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

#### 29 CFR Part 1910

[Docket No. OSHA–2013–0010]

RIN 1218–AC80

#### Record Requirements in the Mechanical Power Presses Standard

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** With this notice, OSHA is withdrawing the proposed rule that accompanied its direct final rule revising the record requirements contained in the Mechanical Power Presses Standard.

**DATES:** Effective April 18, 2014, OSHA is withdrawing the proposed rule published November 20, 2013 (78 FR 69606).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

*General information and press inquiries:* Contact Frank Meilinger, Director, OSHA Office of Communications, Room N–3647, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–1999; email: [meilinger.francis@dol.gov](mailto:meilinger.francis@dol.gov).

*Technical information:* Contact Todd Owen, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Room N–3609, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–1941; fax: (202) 693–1663; email: [owen.todd@dol.gov](mailto:owen.todd@dol.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of this **Federal Register** notice:

Electronic copies of this **Federal Register** notice are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. This **Federal Register** notice, as well as news releases and other relevant information, also is available at OSHA's Web page at <http://www.osha.gov>.

*Withdrawal of the proposal:* On November 20, 2013, OSHA published a companion proposed rule (NPRM) along

with the direct final rule (DFR) (see 78 FR 69543) revising the record requirements contained in the Mechanical Power Presses Standard. In the DFR, OSHA stated that it would withdraw the companion NPRM and confirm the effective date of the final rule if it received no significant adverse comments to the DFR by the close of the comment period, December 20, 2013. OSHA received two comments on the DFR by that date, neither of which were significant adverse comments (see ID: OSHA–2013–0010–0003 and OSHA–2013–0010–0004 in the docket for this rulemaking). Accordingly, OSHA is withdrawing the proposed rule. In addition, OSHA is publishing a separate **Federal Register** notice confirming the effective date of the final rule.

#### List of Subjects in 29 CFR Part 1910

Mechanical power presses, Occupational safety and health, Safety.

#### Authority and Signature

David Michaels, Ph.D., MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210, authorized the preparation of this document. OSHA is issuing this document pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 653, 655, and 657, 5 U.S.C. 553, Secretary of Labor's Order 1–2012 (77 FR 3912), and 29 CFR part 1911.

Signed at Washington, DC, on April 14, 2014.

**David Michaels,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### 36 CFR Parts 1, 2, and 7

[NPS–WASO–REGS–12881; PXXVPAD0517.00.1]

RIN 1024–AE06

#### Areas of the National Park System; General Provisions, Resource Protection, Public Use and Recreation, Pets and Service Animals; Special Regulations of the National Park System, Olympic National Park, Isle Royale National Park

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The National Park Service is proposing to define and differentiate service animals, from pets, domestic animals, feral animals, livestock, and pack animals, and describe the circumstances under which service animals would be allowed in a park area. Special regulations for Olympic National Park and Isle Royale National Park would be amended to conform with the proposed service-wide rule.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by June 17, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit your comments, identified by Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 1024–AE06, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail to:* A.J. North, Regulations Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW., MS–2355, Washington, DC 20240.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and RIN for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For additional information, see the Public Participation heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A.J. North, National Park Service Regulations Program, by telephone:

202–513–7742 or email: *service\_animals@nps.gov*.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

##### *General Authority and Jurisdiction*

In the National Park Service Organic Act of 1916 (Organic Act) (16 U.S.C. 1 *et seq.*), Congress granted the National Park Service (NPS) broad authority to regulate the use of areas under its jurisdiction, but the associated impacts must leave the “scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life [in these areas] unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.”

Section 3 of the Organic Act authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the NPS, to “make and publish such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary or proper for the use and management of the parks.”

The NPS protects park resources and visitors by regulating pets and other domestic animals within park areas. The regulations governing pets (36 CFR 2.15) were last amended in 1983. Since 1983, federal statutes governing accessibility for persons with disabilities, as well as the use of service animals, have changed significantly. In response to these changes, the NPS is proposing to amend its regulations to ensure that we provide the broadest possible accessibility to individuals with disabilities.

The proposed rule would define and differentiate service animals from pets, domestic animals, feral animals, livestock, and pack animals and describe the circumstances under which service animals would be allowed in a park area. The rule also ensures NPS compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and better aligns NPS regulations with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) (42 U.S.C. 12111–12117) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) service animal regulations (28 CFR part 35 and 36). Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act states,

No otherwise qualified individual with a disability in the United States . . . shall, solely by reason of her or his disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance or . . . conducted by any Executive Agency . . . (29 U.S.C. 794)

This law requires the NPS to provide persons with disabilities access to park programs, services, and facilities, and the opportunity to receive as close as possible the same benefits as those received by other visitors.

The ADA, which does not apply to the federal government, extends a legal mandate similar to the coverage of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act to all state and local governments and to places of public accommodations and commercial facilities. Although the NPS is not governed by the ADA, NPS policy, as expressed in NPS Director’s Order #42, is to align its regulations with the ADA and make NPS facilities, programs, and services accessible to and usable by as many people as possible, including those with disabilities. It is also NPS policy to follow, as appropriate, the DOJ regulations that implement title II and III of the ADA.

##### *History of Service Animal Regulation in the Parks*

NPS regulations first addressed the predecessor to service animals in 1966, when the existing rule at 36 CFR 2.8(b) prohibiting pets in “public eating places, food stores and on designated swimming beaches” was revised to include an exception for “Seeing Eye dogs” (31 FR 16650). This exception was expanded in 1983 to encompass “guide dogs accompanying visually impaired persons or hearing ear dogs accompanying hearing-impaired persons” (48 FR 30252). Because these dogs provide direct services for persons with disabilities, they are not considered pets under NPS regulations. Accordingly, guide dogs and hearing ear dogs have been allowed to enter park areas where pets are prohibited.

In 1991, after the passage of the ADA, the DOJ expanded the definition of service animals to include “any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability” (56 FR 35544). After the DOJ broadened the definition of service animal, a number of parks began receiving requests from the public to bring a variety of service animals into the parks, including, but not limited to: dogs, cats, horses, primates, goats, birds, rodents, and reptiles. Over the years, this has resulted in some confusion within the NPS, because the regulations at 36 CFR 2.15(a)(1) recognize only guide dogs and hearing ear dogs as exceptions to the prohibitions on pets in certain public areas. These requests have also caused park personnel to voice concerns regarding threats to wildlife if other species of animals were allowed into areas where pets are prohibited.

##### *NPS Interim Guidance on Service Animals*

On September 5, 2002, the NPS Director issued a Memorandum

providing interim guidance on the use of service animals in units of the National Park System while the NPS began the process of amending its regulations to adopt the broader range of service animal as specified in the 1991 DOJ regulations (28 CFR 36.104). According to the Memorandum, service animals were not to be considered pets, and in general, when accompanying a person with a disability (as defined by Federal law and DOJ regulations), service animals were to be allowed wherever visitors were allowed. Due to the concern for visitor safety and wildlife protection, park superintendents retained authority to close an area to the use of service animals if it was determined that the service animal posed a threat to the health or safety of people or wildlife. The NPS immediately implemented the interim guidance. However, park superintendents continue to express concerns regarding the appropriateness of allowing certain types of animals declared to be service animals in parks.

##### *DOJ Revised ADA Regulations*

On September 15, 2010, the DOJ published revised regulations implementing title II and III of the ADA, including a new definition of service animal that limits service animals to dogs. Under the revised DOJ regulations, a service animal is defined as “any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability.” (28 CFR 35.104 and 36.104). The revised definition states that other species of animals are not service animals.

The DOJ revised regulations also state that “[t]he work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the individual’s disability.” (28 CFR 35.104 and 36.104). Examples of the appropriate work of service animals include, but are not limited to, assisting individuals who are blind with navigation, alerting individuals who are deaf to the presence of sounds, pulling a wheelchair, alerting individuals to the presence of allergens or the onset of a seizure, retrieving items, and providing physical support and assistance to individuals with mobility disabilities. The DOJ regulations state that, “[t]he crime deterrent effects of an animal’s presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this definition.”

According to the DOJ regulations, a public entity may require an individual with a disability to remove a service



animal from the premises if: (a) The animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it; or (b) the animal is not housebroken (28 CFR 35.136(b)). If a service animal is excluded for these reasons, the public entity must give the individual with the disability the opportunity to participate in the service, program, or activity without having the service animal on the premises (28 CFR 35.136(c)).

The DOJ revised regulations also include a provision that requires covered entities to make reasonable modifications to policies, practices, or procedures to permit the use of a miniature horse by a person with a disability if the miniature horse has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of the individual with a disability. Although the miniature horse is not included in the DOJ's definition of service animal (which is limited to dogs), miniature horses can be trained in ways similar to dogs to provide a wide array of services to their handlers, such as guiding individuals who are blind or have low vision, pulling wheelchairs, providing stability and balance for individuals with disabilities that impair the ability to walk, and supplying leverage that enables a person with a mobility disability to get up after a fall. Miniature horses may also serve as viable alternatives to dogs for individuals with allergies, or for those whose religious beliefs preclude the use of dogs. Miniature horses commonly are sized similar to a large dog at heights of 24 to 34 inches measured to the shoulders and generally weigh between 70 and 100 pounds. However, because miniature horses can vary in size and be larger and less flexible than dogs, the revised DOJ regulations allow entities to exclude miniature horses if the presence of the animal results in a fundamental alteration to the nature of the programs, activities, or services provided.

#### Proposed Rule

Although the NPS is not a regulated entity under the ADA, the NPS intends to allow qualified individuals with disabilities to bring working service animals and miniature horses to the parks in the manner as provided for in the DOJ title II and III regulations governing service animals. Consistent with DOJ regulations, the proposed rule would define a service animal as a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for persons with disabilities. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, would not be considered service animals. The work or tasks a

service animal is trained to perform must be directly related to the person's disability. A dog utilized solely for comfort or emotional support would not be considered a service animal and would be subject to the regulations governing pets.

#### Revision of NPS Regulations at 36 CFR 1.4

Section 1.4 would be amended to add the terms *disability* and *service animal* and to modify the term *pet*. These definitions would distinguish pets used primarily for companionship from service animals trained to assist a person with a disability.

The term *domestic animal* would be added and defined to mean an animal tamed to live in the human environment. The term *feral animal* would be added and defined to mean a domestic animal that is existing in a wild or untamed state. The definition of *pack animal* would be revised and would no longer be limited to "horses, burros, mules, or other hoofed animals." The existing language may unnecessarily exclude consideration of certain types of pack animals that do not have proper hooves, including alpacas, llamas, and camels. Instead, the term *pack animal* would mean a domestic animal designated as a pack animal by the superintendent. This gives the superintendent the authority to adjust rules about the use of particular pack animals after considering the impact from this use on the park environment. The definition of the term *livestock* would be added to distinguish farm animals utilized for agricultural use from pets, service animals, and pack animals.

Amending § 1.4 to differentiate pets, service animals, pack animals, and livestock from each other would clarify the regulations governing domestic animals in the National Park System. For example, if a visitor wishes to bring a goat into a park, the park would first look to the purpose or function of the goat. If the goat would be used to transport equipment on designated routes, and the superintendent has designated goats as pack animals, the goat would be considered a pack animal subject to 36 CFR 2.16. If the goat was being used primarily for the production of milk, it would be livestock subject to 36 CFR 2.60. If the goat was tamed to live in the human environment as a domesticated animal and not being used as a pack animal or livestock, the goat would be considered a pet subject to 36 CFR 2.15. Because the goat is not a dog trained to do work for the benefit of a person with a disability, the goat could not be a service animal and thus would

not be allowed in areas of the park where pets, livestock, or pack animals are prohibited.

#### Revision of NPS Regulations at 36 CFR 2.15

Service animals would be allowed in all NPS areas accessible to the public or employees except in those circumstances where the superintendent determines the presence of a service animal in a specific area would pose a threat to the health or safety of people or wildlife. In this case, the superintendent may impose additional conditions or restrictions or close the area to service animals. If the need for conditions or closures arises, the superintendent must prepare a written determination based on objective evidence of the threat that explains why a less restrictive measure will not suffice. If an area is closed to service animals, then that area must also be closed to pets.

After consultation with the U.S. Public Health Service's Wildlife Health Branch on the serious potential for disease transmission between service animals and wildlife, the NPS has determined that a superintendent may use this authority to require individuals wishing to bring a service animal into an area where the service animal is likely to pose a threat to the health of wildlife to demonstrate proof of the service animal's current vaccinations for diseases such as, but not limited to, rabies, distemper, parvovirus, and adenovirus, and proof of current treatment for intestinal parasites and heart worms. A superintendent may also require similar proof for miniature horses, such as, but not limited to, demonstration of a rabies vaccine and negative Coggins test for equine infectious anemia. An individual could demonstrate proof by showing a copy of a veterinarian bill for the required vaccines and treatments, a state-issued rabies tag, and/or a state health certificate, provided that the state vaccination requirements for the state health certificate mirror those established by the superintendent.

To protect park resources and the safety of visitors, the proposed rule would subject the use of service animals to certain standard rules that also govern pets. Service animals may not be left unattended, may not make unreasonable noise or exhibit aggressive behavior, and handlers must comply with excrement disposal conditions established by the superintendent. Service animals must be under control at all times while in the park. Acceptable means of restraint would include a harness, leash, or tether.

However, the NPS acknowledges that in some instances, a disability may limit a person's ability to exert physical control of a service animal. Further, some devices may interfere with the service animal's safe, effective performance of its work or tasks. In these cases, voice commands, signals, or other effective means would be required to control the service animal while it is performing its work or tasks.

#### *Law Enforcement and Emergency Service Dogs*

The proposed rule would retain the current exception authorizing dog use by law enforcement officers and also allows a park superintendent to authorize dog use for search or recovery operations.

#### *Service Animals in Training*

Service animals in training are not yet trained, and thus do not meet the legal definition of service animal. To protect park resources and the safety of park visitors, the rule would restrict the use of service animals in training to areas that are also open to pets.

#### *Miniature Horses*

Miniature horses are not included in the DOJ definition of service animal, but they were included in the authorizing section of the DOJ regulations for service animals. The DOJ regulations require that an entity shall make "reasonable modifications in policies, practices, or procedures to permit the use of a miniature horse by an individual with a disability if the miniature horse has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of the individual with a disability." (28 CFR 35.136(i)(1) and 36.302(c)(9)(i)). Under this proposed rule, the superintendent may permit the use of a miniature horse by an individual with a disability in accordance with the assessment factors outlined in the DOJ regulations at 28 CFR 35.136(i)(2) and 36.302(c)(9)(ii). The use of miniature horses would be subject to the same requirements that govern the use of service animals.

#### *Proposed Revisions to 36 CFR 7.28 and 7.38*

Two units of the National Park System, Olympic National Park and Isle Royale National Park have park-specific special regulations that use the term "guide dog." Olympic National Park is proposing to drop its current regulation on dogs and cats in favor of regulating where visitors may take these animals and service animals under the proposed service-wide rule.

Isle Royale National Park is an isolated island whose wilderness ecology is defined through predator-prey systems. There, concerns that nonnative mammals (and in particular those which might be brought as pets) could alter those systems by transmitting disease to the wild canids of the park (the Eastern Timber Wolf and the Red Fox), led to a regulatory prohibition. (42 FR 21777). That prohibition excepted "guide dogs accompanying the blind." Isle Royale is proposing to retain the general prohibition on mammals and to replace the guide dog exception with the proposed service-wide definition and § 2.15(b) provision for service animals.

#### **Compliance With Other Laws, Executive Orders, and Department Policy**

##### *Regulatory Planning and Review (Executive Orders 12866 and 13563)*

Executive Order 12866 provides that the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) in the Office of Management and Budget will review all significant rules. OIRA has determined that this rule is not significant.

Executive Order 13563 reaffirms the principles of Executive Order 12866 while calling for improvements in the nation's regulatory system to promote predictability, to reduce uncertainty, and to use the best, most innovative, and least burdensome tools for achieving regulatory ends. The executive order directs agencies to consider regulatory approaches that reduce burdens and maintain flexibility and freedom of choice for the public where these approaches are relevant, feasible, and consistent with regulatory objectives. Executive Order 13563 emphasizes further that regulations must be based on the best available science and that the rulemaking process must allow for public participation and an open exchange of ideas. We have developed this rule in a manner consistent with these requirements.

##### *Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA)*

This rule will not have a significant economic effect on a substantial number of small entities under the RFA (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*)

##### *Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA)*

This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2), the SBREFA. This rule:

- (a) Does not have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more.
- (b) Will not cause a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, Federal, State, or

local government agencies, or geographic regions.

(c) Does not have significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of U.S.-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises.

##### *Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA)*

This rule does not impose an unfunded mandate on State, local, or tribal governments or the private sector of more than \$100 million per year. The rule does not have a significant or unique effect on State, local or tribal governments or the private sector. It addresses public use of national park lands, and imposes no requirements on other agencies or governments. A statement containing the information required by the UMRA (2 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) is not required.

##### *Takings (Executive Order 12630)*

This rule does not affect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630. A takings implication assessment is not required.

##### *Federalism (Executive Order 13132)*

Under the criteria in section 1 of Executive Order 13132, the rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism summary impact statement. This proposed rule only affects use of NPS administered lands and waters. It has no outside effects on other areas. A Federalism summary impact statement is not required.

##### *Civil Justice Reform (Executive Order 12988)*

This rule complies with the requirements of Executive Order 12988. Specifically, this rule:

- (a) Meets the criteria of section 3(a) requiring that all regulations be reviewed to eliminate errors and ambiguity and be written to minimize litigation; and
- (b) Meets the criteria of section 3(b)(2) requiring that all regulations be written in clear language and contain clear legal standards.

##### *Consultation With Indian Tribes (Executive Order 13175 and Department Policy)*

The Department of the Interior strives to strengthen its government-to-government relationship with Indian tribes through a commitment to consultation with Indian tribes and recognition of their right to self-governance and tribal sovereignty. We have evaluated this rule under the

Department's consultation policy and under the criteria in Executive Order 13175 and have determined that it has no substantial direct effects on federally recognized Indian tribes and that consultation under the Department's tribal consultation policy is not required.

*Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)*

This rule does not contain information collection requirements. The Paperwork Reduction Act's implementing regulations define "information" as "statement or estimate of fact or opinion, regardless of form or format, whether in numerical, graphic, or narrative form, and whether oral or maintained on paper, electronic or other media." 5 CFR 1320.3(h). However, "information" does not include "facts or opinions obtained through direct observation by an employee or agent of the sponsoring agency or through nonstandardized oral communication in connection with such direct observations." 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(3) (italics added). In the proposed rule, an authorized person may need to determine a number of facts, such as the tasks that a service animal is able to perform (2.15(b)(1)(i), 2.15(b)(3)(iii)); the type, size, and weight of the animal (2.15(d)(i)(A)); and whether the animal is housebroken. These facts will be determined by the authorized person via direct observation of the animal. Because these facts are obtained through direct observation, they are not considered information for the purposes of the PRA, and a submission to the Office of Management and Budget under the PRA is not required. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

*National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*

This rule does not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. A detailed statement under the NEPA of 1969 is not required because the rule is covered by a categorical exclusion. This rule is excluded from the requirement to prepare a detailed statement because it is a regulation of administrative, legal, and technical nature (43 CFR 46.210(i)). We have also determined that the rule does not involve any of the extraordinary circumstances listed in 43 CFR 46.215 that would require further analysis under NEPA.

*Effects on the Energy Supply (Executive Order 13211)*

This rule is not a significant energy action under the definition in Executive Order 13211. A Statement of Energy Effects in not required.

*Clarity of This Rule*

We are required by Executive Orders 12866 (section 1(b)(12)) and 12988 (section 3(b)(1)(B)) and by the Presidential Memorandum of June 1, 1998, to write all rules in plain language. This means that each rule we publish must:

- (a) Be logically organized;
- (b) Use the active voice to address readers directly;
- (c) Use clear language rather than jargon;
- (d) Be divided into short sections and sentences; and
- (e) Use lists and tables wherever possible.

If you feel that we have not met these requirements, send us comments by one of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section. To better help us revise the rule, your comments should be as specific as possible. For example, you should tell us the numbers of the sections or paragraphs that you find unclear, which sections or sentences are too long, the sections where you feel lists or tables would be useful, etc.

*Drafting Information:* The primary author of this rule is C. Rose Wilkinson, National Park Service, Regulations and Special Park Uses, Washington, DC.

*Public Participation*

It is the policy of the Department of the Interior, whenever practicable, to afford the public an opportunity to participate in the rulemaking process. Accordingly, interested persons may submit written comments regarding this proposed rule by one of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section. All comments must be received by midnight of the close of the comment period. Bulk comments in any format (hard copy or electronic) submitted on behalf of others will not be accepted.

*Public Availability of Comments*

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**List of Subjects**

*36 CFR Part 1*

National parks, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Signs and symbols.

*36 CFR Part 2*

Environmental protection, National parks, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

*36 CFR Part 7*

National parks, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

In consideration of the foregoing, the National Park Service proposes to amend 36 CFR Parts 1, 2, and 7 as set forth below:

**PART 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. Revise the authority citation for Part 1 to read as follows:

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1, 3, 9a, 460 1–6a(e), 462(k); DC Code 10–137 (2001), 50–2201 (2001).

- 2. In § 1.4 amend paragraph (a) by:
  - A. Adding the terms "Disability", "Domestic animal", "Feral animal", "Livestock", and "Service animal"
  - B. Revising the terms "Pack animal" and "Pet"

The additions and revisions to read as follows:

**§ 1.4 What terms do I need to know?**

(a) \* \* \* *Disability* means a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of an individual.

\* \* \* \* \* *Domestic animal* means an animal that has been tamed to live in the human environment.

\* \* \* \* \* *Feral animal* means a domestic animal that is existing in a wild or untamed state.

\* \* \* \* \* *Livestock* means any domestic animal raised for the production of food or other agricultural-based consumer products.

\* \* \* \* \* *Pack animal* means any domestic animal designated as a pack animal by the superintendent and used to transport people or equipment on designated routes.

\* \* \* \* \* *Pet* means any domestic animal that is not a service animal, pack animal, or livestock.

\* \* \* \* \* *Service animal* means any dog that has been individually trained to do

work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for purposes of this definition.

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## PART 2—RESOURCE PROTECTION, PUBLIC USE AND RECREATION

■ 3. The authority citation for Part 2 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1, 3, 9(a), 462(k).

■ 4. Revise § 2.15 to read as follows:

### § 2.15 Pets and service animals.

(a) *Pets.* (1) Pets are not allowed in public buildings, public transportation vehicles, any location designated as a swimming beach, or any area the superintendent has closed to the possession of pets.

(2) Pets must be crated, caged, restrained with a leash no longer than six feet in length, or otherwise physically confined at all times.

(3) The following are prohibited: (i) Leaving an unattended pet tied to an object, except in designated areas or under conditions which may be established by the superintendent;

(ii) Allowing a pet to exhibit aggressive behavior or make noise such as barking or howling that is unreasonable considering location, time of day or night, impact on park users and other relevant factors, or that frightens wildlife; or

(iii) Failing to comply with pet excrement disposal conditions which may be established by the superintendent.

(4) Pets may be kept by residents of park areas consistent with the provisions of this section and in accordance with conditions which may be established by the superintendent.

(5) In park areas where hunting is allowed, dogs may be used in support of these activities in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws and in accordance with conditions which may be established by the superintendent.

(6) This paragraph does not apply to the use of dogs by authorized Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers, or emergency personnel authorized by the superintendent.

(b) *Service animals.* (1) A service animal may accompany an individual with a disability in a park area where members of the public are allowed or may accompany an employee with a disability in a park area where employees are allowed.

(i) The work or tasks the service animal is trained to perform must be directly related to the individual's disability. In making this determination, an authorized person may observe the animal and ask if the animal is required because of a disability and what work or task the animal has been trained to perform. Authorized persons must not ask about the nature or extent of a person's disability, nor may they require documentation of the disability or proof that the animal has been certified, trained, or licensed as a service animal.

(ii) The crime-deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this provision.

(2) A service animal must be controlled at all times with a harness, leash, or other tether, unless the restraint device would interfere with the service animal's safe, effective performance of work or tasks or the individual's disability prevents using these devices. In those cases, the disabled individual must be able to recall the service animal to his or her side promptly using voice, signals, or other effective means of control. This must be demonstrated when requested by an authorized person.

(3) An individual may be asked to remove a service animal from an area closed to pets if:

(i) The animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it;

(ii) The animal is not housebroken; or

(iii) It is not readily apparent and the individual with a disability is unwilling or unable to articulate or demonstrate the work or task the animal has been trained to perform, consistent with paragraph (b)(1)(i) of this section.

(4) The prohibitions in paragraph (a)(3) of this section also apply to the use of a service animal.

(5) Upon determining that the use of service animals in a specific area poses a threat to the health or safety of people or wildlife, the superintendent may require proof of current vaccinations, impose additional conditions or restrictions, or close the area to service animals. Any area closed to service animals must be closed to pets. In determining whether the use of service animals poses a threat under this paragraph, the superintendent must:

(i) Make a written determination based on objective evidence evaluating the nature, probability, duration, and severity of the threat; and

(ii) Explain in the written determination why less restrictive measures will not suffice.

(c) *Service animals in training.* Service animals in training are regulated as pets under the conditions in paragraph (a) of this section.

(d) *Miniature horses.* (1) The superintendent may allow the use of a miniature horse by an individual with a disability if the miniature horse has been trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of the individual with a disability and after observing and assessing the following factors:

(i) The type, size, and weight of the miniature horse and whether the facility can accommodate these features;

(ii) Whether the handler has sufficient control of the miniature horse;

(iii) Whether the miniature horse is housebroken; and

(iv) Whether the miniature horse's presence in a specific facility compromises legitimate safety requirements that are necessary for safe operation.

(2) If authorized by the superintendent, miniature horses are regulated in the same manner as service animals under the conditions in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

(e) *Animals running at large.* (1) Domestic or feral animals running at large may be impounded, and the owner of a domestic animal may be charged reasonable fees for kennel or boarding costs, feed, veterinarian fees, transportation costs, and disposal. An impounded animal may be put up for adoption or otherwise disposed of after being held for 72 hours from the time the owner was notified of capture or 72 hours from the time of capture if the owner is unknown.

(2) Domestic or feral animals running at large and observed by an authorized person in the act of killing, injuring, or molesting humans or domestic animals or taking wildlife may be destroyed if necessary for public safety or protection of wildlife, domestic animals, including livestock, or other park resources.

(3) This paragraph (e) does not apply to livestock, which are governed by § 2.60 of this chapter.

(f) Violating a closure, condition, or restriction established by the superintendent under this section is prohibited.

## PART 7—SPECIAL REGULATIONS, AREAS OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

■ 5. The authority for Part 7 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1, 3, 9a, 462(k); Sec. 7.96 also issued under 36 U.S.C. 501–511, DC Code 10–137 (2001) and DC Code 50–2201.07 (2001).

■ 6. In § 7.28, remove and reserve paragraph (c) to read as follows:

**§ 7.28 Olympic National Park.**

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(c) [Reserved]

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■ 7. In § 7.38 revise paragraph (c) to read as follows:

**§ 7.38 Isle Royale National Park.**

\* \* \* \* \*

(c) *Mammals.* Dogs, cats, and other mammals may not be brought into or possessed in the park area, except for service animals under § 2.15(b) of this chapter.

Dated: March 14, 2014.

**Michael Bean,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Part 52**

[EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0191; FRL-9909-61-Region-3]

**Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Revision for GP Big Island, LLC**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of establishing a revision to the state operating permit for the control of visibility-impairing emissions from GP Big Island, LLC on a shutdown of an individual unit.

**DATES:** Comments must be received in writing by May 19, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0191 by one of the following methods:

A. *www.regulations.gov.* Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

B. *Email: fernandez.cristina@epa.gov.*

C. *Mail:* EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0191, Cristina Fernandez, Associate Director, Office of Air Program Planning, Mailcode 3AP30, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

D. *Hand Delivery:* At the previously-listed EPA Region III address. Such

deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0191. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at *www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through *www.regulations.gov* or email. The *www.regulations.gov* Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through *www.regulations.gov*, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

*Docket:* All documents in the electronic docket are listed in the *www.regulations.gov* index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in *www.regulations.gov* or in hard copy during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the State submittal are available at the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rose Quinto, (215) 814-2182, or by email at *quinto.rose@epa.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication.

Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

Dated: April 4, 2014.

**W.C. Early,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region III.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**50 CFR Part 679**

[Docket No. 090313314-4317-01]

**RIN 0648-AX78**

**Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Modifications to Federal Fisheries Permits and Federal Processor Permits**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS proposes to change criteria for submission, approval,

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**Subject:** Fwd: Standing together to protect recreation

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Thanks,  
Betty  
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Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Andrea Buffa" <[andrea@saveourrecreation.com](mailto:andrea@saveourrecreation.com)>  
**Date:** July 3, 2014 at 1:11:03 PM PDT  
**To:** Betty Young <youngb0721@Exemption 6>  
**Subject:** Standing together to protect recreation  
**Reply-To:** [andrea@saveourrecreation.com](mailto:andrea@saveourrecreation.com)



Dear Betty,

We must act now, as a community, to preserve recreation in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) or risk losing it forever.

A few staff members at the National Park Service could, with a stroke of a pen, take away recreation for hundreds of thousands of Bay Area residents unless we act now. Their actions indicate they might very well take away recreation – unless we act together to make our voices heard.

Please [sign our petition](#) to make sure the GGNRA preserves recreation and hears all concerns before taking unilateral action to keep Bay Area residents out of our own back yard.

Nearly 40 years ago, the City and County of San Francisco and other local governments transferred management of the GGNRA lands with the express promise that these lands would be managed to preserve recreation. Now that promise and pledge could be broken. The staff has clearly indicated they are moving to severely limit—even ban—local residents from tens of thousands of acres of what is a designated recreation area. This includes restrictions in popular areas where people surf, hike and walk their dogs.

Our request is simple—keep the promise and preserve recreation in this recreation area.

The Bay Area is one of the most crowded urban areas in the nation. And the last thing we need is to lose tens of thousands of acres of recreation area because a few staff members want to designate it a nature preserve. There is

room for both protecting nature and preserving recreational areas. **Please sign our petition today!**

We are fortunate that prominent local leaders like Congresswoman Jackie Speier, San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee, San Francisco Board President David Chiu and the entire San Francisco Board of Supervisors, Marin County Board President Kathrin Sears and the entire Marin Board of Supervisors, San Mateo County Board President Dave Pine, as well as Supervisors Adrienne Tissier, Don Horsley and Warren Slocum, and so many others have joined our cause to preserve recreation.

But your voice matters the most. **Please sign our petition today!**

Sincerely,

Andrea Buffa



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**From:** Bennett, Susan [susie\_bennett@nps.gov]  
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**CC:** Christine FitzGerald [cfitzgerald@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Pillar Point Harbor Bacterial Study

The RCD wrote up a nice summary of their work on the Pillar Point Harbor study. It's available here: [http://www.sanmateorcd.org/PPH/RCD\\_PPH\\_FinalReport\\_012814\\_no%20appendices.pdf](http://www.sanmateorcd.org/PPH/RCD_PPH_FinalReport_012814_no%20appendices.pdf). Here's what is says in regard to dogs:

"Dog-associated Bacteroidales (BacCan) were frequently detected at Capistrano Beach. While the dog marker was also often found at Mavericks Beach, the spatial distribution of BacCan in nearby beaches indicates that the presence of dog marker at Capistrano Beach was more likely introduced from freshwater inflows rather than from Mavericks Beach."

"Upstream MST monitoring revealed that dog feces introduced into the waterway reaches Capistrano Outfall Pipe and Deer Creek Outlet after passing through the urban area located between PPH and the upper watershed. Given the geographical setting upstream wildlife is likely to be the predominant source of fecal pollution at Denniston Creek."

This monitoring study provided significant insights into fecal contamination in PPH.

- Human fecal sources exist but do not account for the majority of fecal indicator bacteria found at Capistrano Beach or elsewhere in the harbor.
- Dogs represent a significant, but not the main, fecal source at Capistrano Beach.
- Resident fecal populations in sediments and biofilms are periodically re-suspended during events of turbulence and can lead to temporal increases in FIB levels.
- The main fecal source at Deer Creek is bovine followed by canine.
- The study eliminated other beaches in PPH as areas of concern and pin-pointed the freshwater inflows as the vectors for bacteria entering the Harbor.

Urban Inputs: The key lesson learned from this project is that the high FIB counts at Capistrano Beach are a landscape-level issue, not based at or in the Harbor itself but rather in the upland urban area.

#### Recommendations and Next Steps:

##### Tier 1 Priorities

1) Continue conducting outreach to upland property owners. We recommend development of a public outreach strategy that helps upland property owners make the connection between the landscape, stormwater runoff and the Harbor. The primary focus would be outreach targeted at reducing inputs from dog waste. A secondary focus would be increased outreach to reduce inputs from other pets, confined animals and livestock. The RCD has conducted outreach in other local watersheds to address confined animal sources of feces resulting in voluntary implementation of BMPs to reduce runoff of pathogens and nutrients. Another approach that serves both as a potential FIB load reduction and an outreach opportunity would be a "doggy clean-up" event where volunteers are organized to clean up dog feces and do outreach in target areas. An event like this could be sponsored by local rescue groups and pet-related businesses.

- Constraints: availability of funding for staff time for outreach and event coordination, the ability of individual property/dog owners to make a connection between pet waste and impacts on "distant" waters, convincing



property/dog owners that individual actions can make a difference, being able to reach a broad enough audience to make a difference

- Impediments: current political environment of dog advocacy and restricted dog access
- Opportunities: collaborate with local dog-owner and dog-walker groups
- Potential responsible parties: RCD, local property owners and dog groups
- Project monitoring: continued FIB monitoring at established inflow and upstream locations, particularly during storm events
- Performance measures: volunteer turn-out to events, reductions in FIB counts at established inflow sites, particularly during storm events, direct measurements of weight of collected feces

(Other priorities (in rough priority order) are: 2) Conduct additional GIS analysis of land uses; 3) Pursue stormwater filtering BMPs; 4) Continue upstream bovine best management practices; 5) Further investigate FIB contributions from sediment and biofilm in stormwater drainage system near outfalls; 6) Further investigate fecal sources from wildlife in the stormwater drainage system; and 7) Pursue a Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment and further investigate fecal sources from sewer inputs into the stormwater drainage system.)

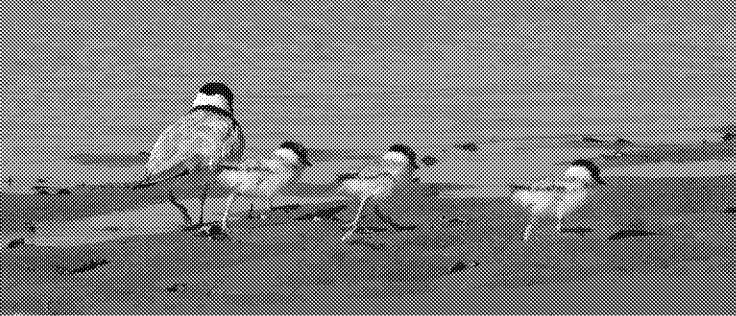
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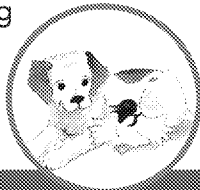
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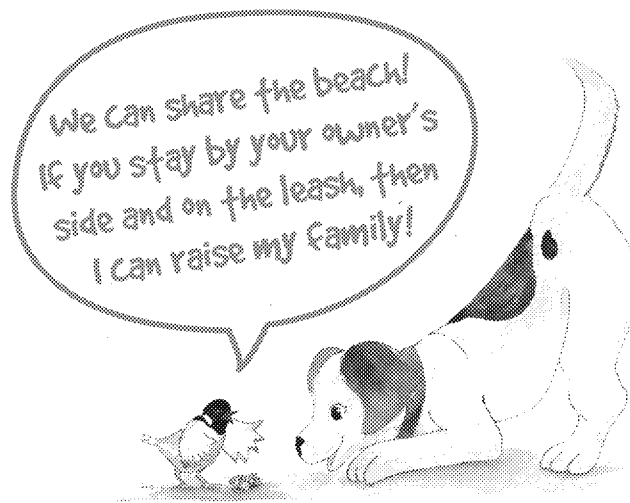
## Please help us raise a family

If you walk your dog at the beach, you can play a huge part in helping these birds escape extinction. Many of the volunteers who take part in BirdLife Australia's Beach-nesting Birds program are dog owners and love their pets but want to make sure they aren't loving them at the expense of wildlife.

There are ways to co-exist!



- Choose an off-leash area that is bird free.
- Respect protected natural areas. National and Coastal Parks are pet free areas because they act as a refuge for vulnerable wildlife.
- Please use a leash on beaches where leashes are compulsory. Even if your dog is well behaved and stays by your side, please set a good example for others whose dog(s) may not be as well behaved as yours.



- Please walk along the water's edge where you are unlikely to step on a nest or chick.
- If you see little birds running swiftly along the beach or hear the larger oystercatchers calling out, please give these birds space. If it is spring or summer, the chances are they will have a nest or chicks nearby.
- Look out for temporary signs that alert you to the presence of nesting birds or chicks.

### Birds on the nest... On lead is best

BirdLife Australia can provide you with information about whether there are beach-nesting birds in your area.

There are still some coastal areas where these birds breed that are off-leash areas and so the birds are not receiving the protection they need to raise their chicks.

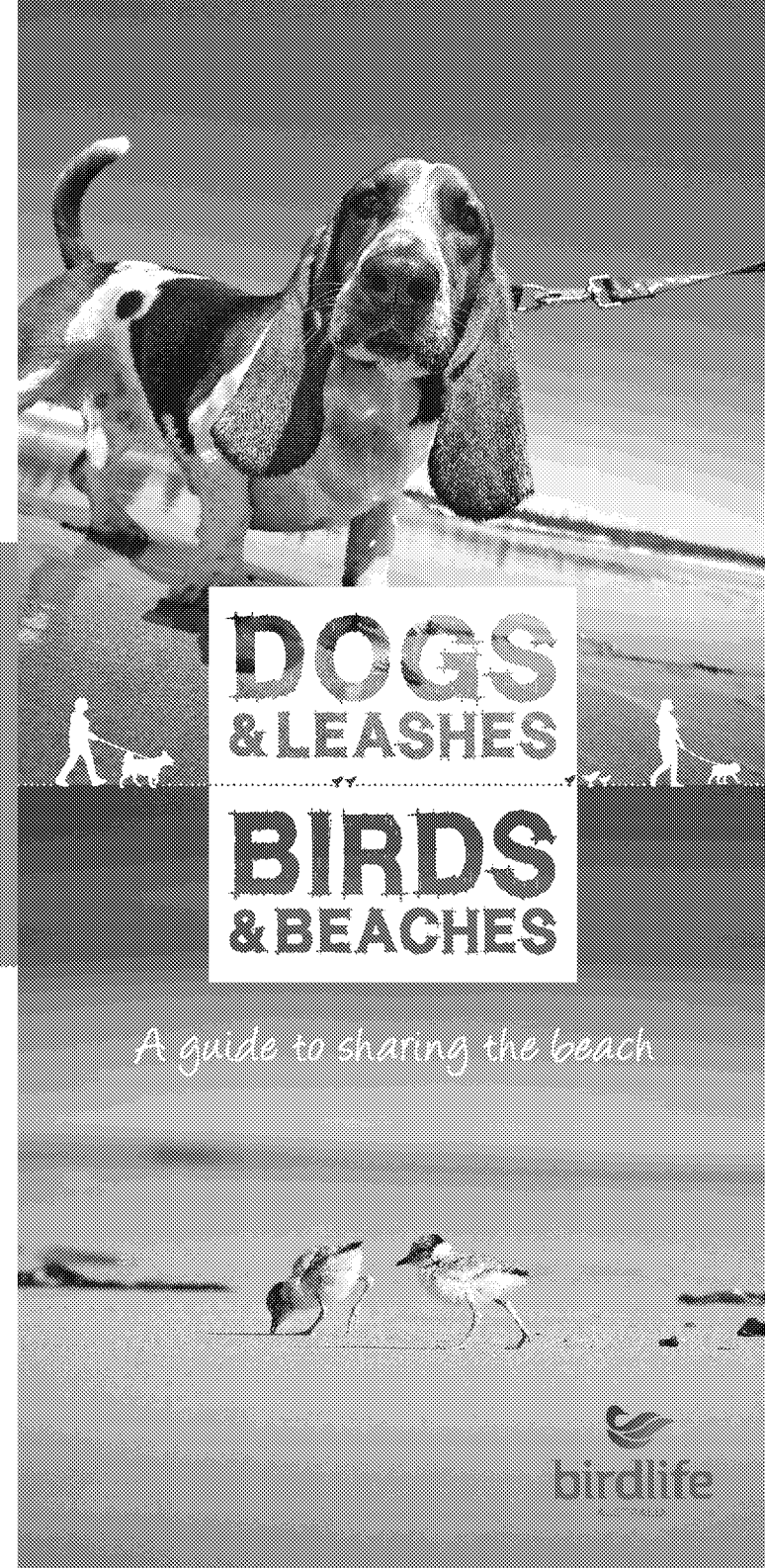
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*A guide to sharing the beach*

## Beach-nesting birds are some of the most threatened birds in the world.

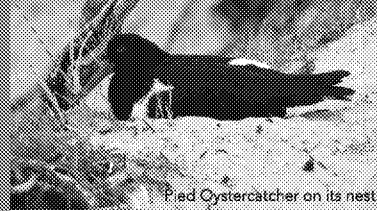
Their numbers are in decline as they struggle to find undisturbed space on beaches to raise a family. If too many birds fail to produce young, they will soon become extinct...

## What are the threats facing beach-nesting birds?

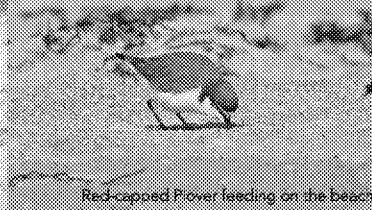
During spring and summer, Australian native shorebirds such as Hooded Plovers and Pied Oystercatchers, nest on the beach or dunes. The beach, after all, is 'habitat', as is a forest or grassland. These birds make simple nest-scrapes in the sand and lay well-camouflaged eggs that are very difficult to spot. This is a clever idea for hiding from predators but gives people no warning they are about to step on eggs!



Chicks are incredibly vulnerable – they are tiny, camouflaged and must wander along the beach in search of food. It takes five weeks for them to be old enough to fly out of harm's way. This makes it a great challenge for these birds to raise a family on beaches visited by people and their pets!



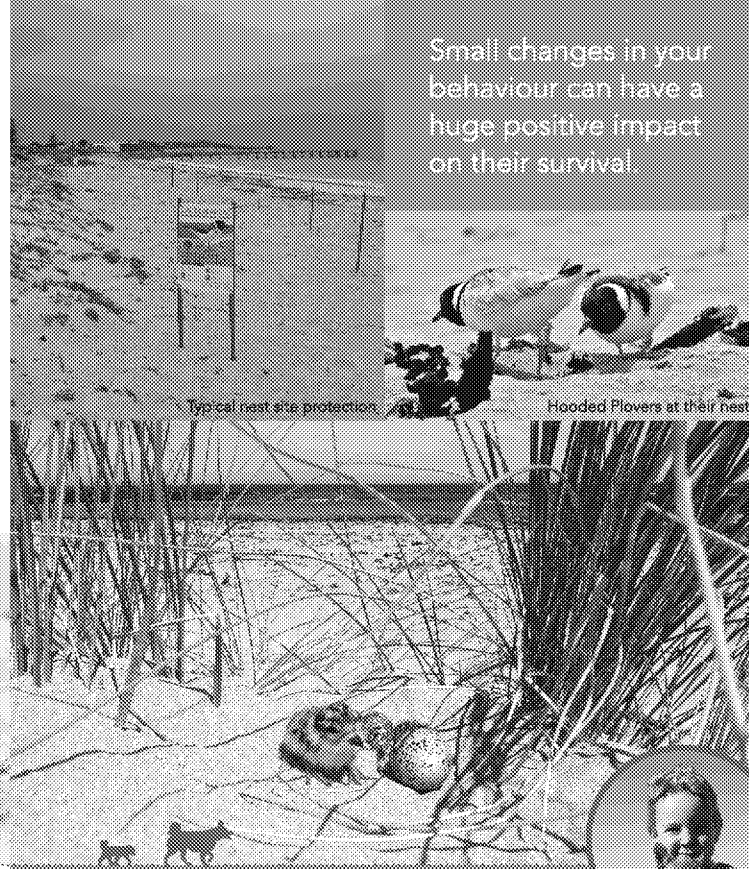
Pied Oystercatcher on its nest



Red-capped Plover feeding on the beach

*They are in desperate need of a helping hand.*

Small changes in your behaviour can have a huge positive impact on their survival.



Typical nest site protection

Hooded Plovers at their nest



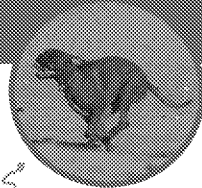
*"My dog wouldn't harm the birds!"*

No matter how well trained your dog is, when it runs around on the beach it can accidentally crush the fragile eggs or harm the chicks.



## Disturbance can be lethal

When adult birds see a person or dog approaching, they will leave their nest to keep its location hidden and won't return until the 'threat' is well out of sight. They are more cautious when a dog is off lead, spending 2-3 times longer off the nest. In summer, this can be enough for the eggs to bake on the hot sand.



*"My dog is only having a bit of fun chasing the birds"*

It is critical that nesting birds are left to sit on their eggs and that their chicks are able to feed on the beach. Each disturbance can add up to a lethal level where eggs fail to hatch, or chicks starve or are predated in the absence of their parents.

The adults warn their chicks into hiding sooner and for longer periods when they spot an unleashed dog approaching.

This is because the birds perceive dogs as predators, like they would a fox or cat. Acting as good parents, they warn their chicks into hiding. Some breeds of dog are naturally curious and drawn to the movement of chicks on the beach. The birds cannot tell the difference between a dog that might chase and hurt their chicks from one that is completely disinterested!

## **Natural Resource August 19<sup>th</sup> 2014 Staff Meeting**

Attended by: Daphne Hatch, Alison Forrestel, Michael Chasse, Susie Bennett, Darren Fong, Andrew Georgeades, Bill Frick, Bill Merkle, Craig Scott, Jonathan Sifuentes-Winter, Kristen Ward, Rachel Townsend, Allen Fish, Daniel George, and Michael Chasse's new interns Brendan and Alison.

Topics discussed:

**End of year Division gathering:** Suggestions for BBQ at Kirby Cove (or elsewhere) on a weekend, after work etc., or possibly Giant's game. Darren and Craig will start a poll to see what staff would prefer, timing, availability etc.,

**Species of the Year:** Michelle Gee inquiring what our division would suggest this year. Suggestions varied from Black Abalone, to Coast Redwood, to Spotted Owl. Staff will consider others and narrow things down so that species is nominated so that artwork can get started.

**GPRA Report:** Alison mentioned that Susie, Darren and Bill have greatly assisted in getting data on this accomplished.

**Franchise Fee Funds:** Daphne reported that due to Grand Canyon's takeover of concession that regional FFF money is getting consolidated so that and un-obligated FY14 GOGA funds will likely be unavailable to us.

**Safety Committee:** Kristen and Susie represent NR Division and will assist in inspections of everyone's work-space as well as field work zones to analyze any potential hazards. In addition they will follow up on programmed work to ensure that JHA's have been established prior to work getting started. In addition, Sherry Ewing will be inspecting ergonomics of work stations.

**Golden Gate Bridge movable median:** Coty is assigned to be the NR rep for impacts on staging area for work scheduled for the barrier.

**Fort Funston Dog Zone:** Discussion about access trail getting moved which should improve endangered habitat. Approximately 1 acre of land could be swapped out from out of bounds to in bounds.

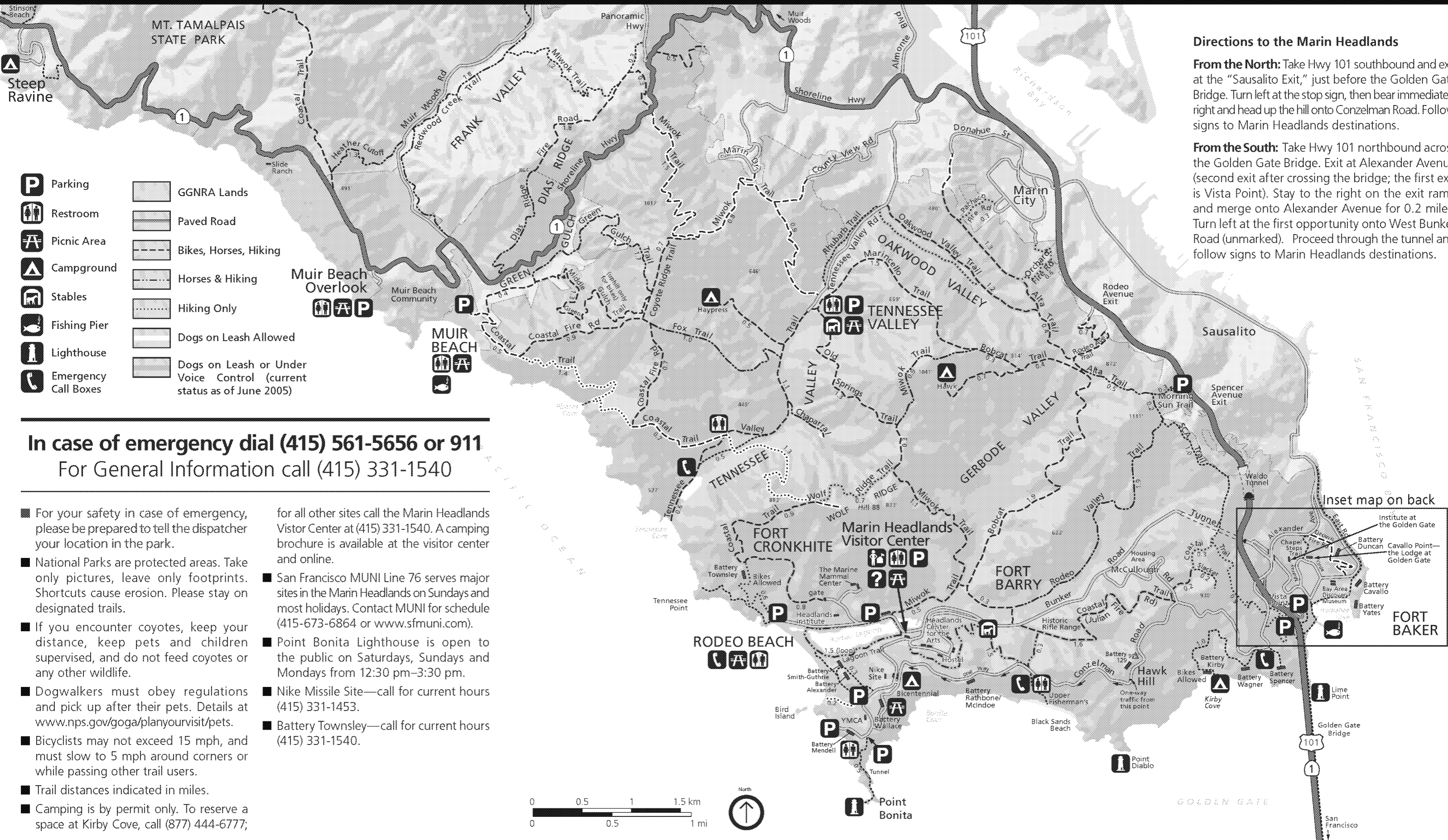
**MOU with Cal Academy:** Daniel George spoke about the specimens documented from Bio Blitz and the need to work with Cal Academy to ensure that collection is maintained for at least 5 years, and to plan for any eventual transfer to GOGA Archives.

**Betty Young:** Betty's retirement party will be at the Presidio Nursery on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Staff from GGNPC and NR division are planning the celebration.

**NRAC Funding Call:** Bill outlined the list of proposal's and the likelihood or not of the following getting on the list for further consideration:

Removal of rip-rap rock from Redwood Creek  
RCTD Management Plan  
Restoration of lower Tennessee Valley  
Restoration of Camino Del Canyon  
Cape Ivy removal from around the Surfer Lot zone at Rodeo Beach  
Removal of Eucalyptus at Fort Funston  
Bolinás Y road re-alignment

# Marin Headlands



- Parking
- Restroom
- Picnic Area
- Campground
- Stables
- Fishing Pier
- Lighthouse
- Emergency Call Boxes
- GGNRA Lands
- Paved Road
- Bikes, Horses, Hiking
- Horses & Hiking
- Hiking Only
- Dogs on Leash Allowed
- Dogs on Leash or Under Voice Control (current status as of June 2005)

**In case of emergency dial (415) 561-5656 or 911**  
For General Information call (415) 331-1540

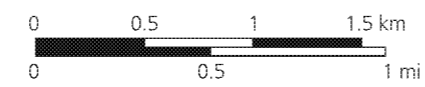
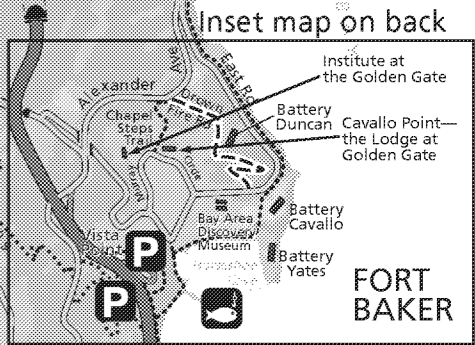
- For your safety in case of emergency, please be prepared to tell the dispatcher your location in the park.
- National Parks are protected areas. Take only pictures, leave only footprints. Shortcuts cause erosion. Please stay on designated trails.
- If you encounter coyotes, keep your distance, keep pets and children supervised, and do not feed coyotes or any other wildlife.
- Dogwalkers must obey regulations and pick up after their pets. Details at [www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/pets](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/pets).
- Bicyclists may not exceed 15 mph, and must slow to 5 mph around corners or while passing other trail users.
- Trail distances indicated in miles.
- Camping is by permit only. To reserve a space at Kirby Cove, call (877) 444-6777;

- for all other sites call the Marin Headlands Visitor Center at (415) 331-1540. A camping brochure is available at the visitor center and online.
- San Francisco MUNI Line 76 serves major sites in the Marin Headlands on Sundays and most holidays. Contact MUNI for schedule (415-673-6864 or [www.sfmuni.com](http://www.sfmuni.com)).
- Point Bonita Lighthouse is open to the public on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays from 12:30 pm–3:30 pm.
- Nike Missile Site—call for current hours (415) 331-1453.
- Battery Townsley—call for current hours (415) 331-1540.

**Directions to the Marin Headlands**

**From the North:** Take Hwy 101 southbound and exit at the "Sausalito Exit," just before the Golden Gate Bridge. Turn left at the stop sign, then bear immediately right and head up the hill onto Conzelman Road. Follow signs to Marin Headlands destinations.

**From the South:** Take Hwy 101 northbound across the Golden Gate Bridge. Exit at Alexander Avenue (second exit after crossing the bridge; the first exit is Vista Point). Stay to the right on the exit ramp and merge onto Alexander Avenue for 0.2 miles. Turn left at the first opportunity onto West Bunker Road (unmarked). Proceed through the tunnel and follow signs to Marin Headlands destinations.



# Fort Baker



This former Army site has been reborn as part of a national park; the last of the dramatic “post to park” conversions that have created the Golden Gate National Parks. Hiking, fishing, viewing wildlife, and spectacular views of the Golden Gate and the Marin Headlands await visitors to Fort Baker.

Several partners also provide recreation and educational opportunities, and visitor amenities at Fort Baker.

Self-guided walking tours of the historic parade ground and for Horseshoe Cove are available at the Marin Headlands Visitor Center, the Bay Area Discovery Museum, or at Cavallo Point—the Lodge at the Golden Gate. They are also available online at:

[www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/fort-baker.htm](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/fort-baker.htm)

■ Since 1991, the **Bay Area Discovery Museum** has provided outstanding children’s educational programs activities for the 6 months to 8 year-old set.

Information 415-339-3900  
[www.badm.org](http://www.badm.org)

■ The **Travis Sailing Center** located on the east side of Horseshoe Cove, offers sailing instruction and boat rentals.

Information 415-332-2319

■ The most dramatic recent change is evident in the historic and contemporary buildings surrounding and overlooking Murray Circle and the historic parade ground. **Cavallo Point—The Lodge at the Golden Gate**, the newest lodge in the National Park System, welcomes visitors for a unique overnight stay in one of 68 historic and 74 contemporary guest rooms. The Lodge also has a restaurant, bar, meeting rooms and Healing Arts Center. The Lodge was constructed to the highest standards of environmental sustainability.

Information 415-339-4700  
[www.cavallopoint.com](http://www.cavallopoint.com)

■ The **Institute at the Golden Gate** is a new program of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy in partnership with the National Park Service. The Institute, which will use facilities at the lodge, advances environmental preservation and global sustainability by facilitating cross-sector dialogue and collaboration, encouraging new partnerships and promoting action.

Information 415-339-4786  
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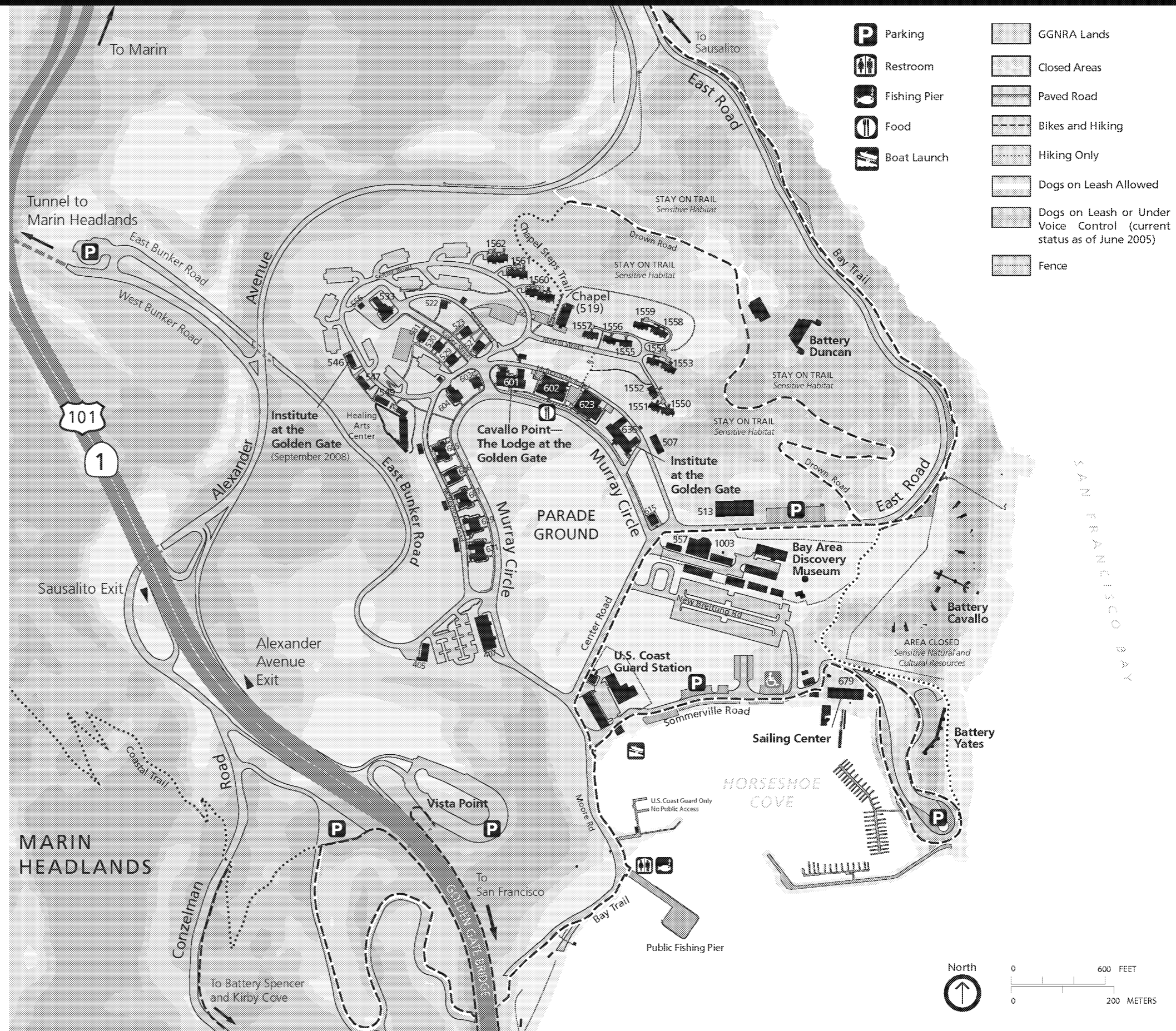
## Driving Instructions to Fort Baker

*From San Francisco*

- North on U.S. Highway 101, over the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Exit at Alexander Avenue (second exit after crossing the bridge; first exit is Vista Point.)
- Stay to the right on the exit ramp and merge right onto Alexander Avenue for 0.2 miles.
- Turn left at the first opportunity onto West Bunker Road (unmarked) and follow signs to Fort Baker.

*From the North*

- Take U.S. Hwy 101 south to the “Sausalito Exit,” just before the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Turn right at the stop sign at the end of the exit ramp and pass under U.S. Hwy 101 to a second stop sign.
- At the stop sign, continue straight onto Alexander Avenue for 0.2 mile.
- Turn left at the first opportunity onto West Bunker Road (unmarked) and follow signs to Fort Baker.



Message

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**From:** Stephen Sayad [ssayad@Exemption 6]  
**Sent:** 10/8/2014 9:17:02 PM  
**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
**CC:** Frank Dean [frank\_dean@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Plovers & Blue Angels

Ms. Hatch -

Would you kindly explain how it is the FAA's responsibility to protect the Plover from the disturbances at issue at Crissy Field, and not the GGNRA's?

Sincerely  
Stephen Sayad



On Oct 8, 2014, at 7:22 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

Dear Mr. Sayad,

I was asked to respond to your email to Superintendent Frank Dean regarding Blue Angels flyovers and disturbance to western snowy plovers at Crissy Field.

We recommend that you take up your concerns regarding the Blue Angels overflights with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as they have jurisdiction over the air space over the park.

The park does implement snowy plover protection measures during Fleet Week that are within our authority by closing the Crissy Field Wildlife Protection Area to the public all day Saturday and Sunday on Fleet Weekend to reduce the level of disturbance from spectators in the area.



As a point of clarification, the National Park Service had no involvement in Megan Warren's study at Crissy Field. GGNRA did not fund her work or provide a research permit for her to conduct her study.

Thank you for contacting us with your concerns. I hope you find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

Daphne Hatch

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From: **Dean, Frank** <[frank\\_dean@nps.gov](mailto:frank_dean@nps.gov)>  
Date: Wed, Oct 8, 2014 at 8:22 AM  
Subject: Fwd: Plovers & Blue Angels  
To: Lori Furtado <[Lori\\_Furtado@nps.gov](mailto:Lori_Furtado@nps.gov)>

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From: **Stephen Sayad** <[ssayad@nps.gov](mailto:ssayad@nps.gov)> **Exemption 6**  
Date: Tue, Oct 7, 2014 at 4:49 PM  
Subject: Plovers & Blue Angels  
To: [Frank\\_Dean@nps.gov](mailto:Frank_Dean@nps.gov)

Dear Superintendent Dean:

In June 2005, at the appellate hearing in *United States v. Barley*, 405 F.Supp.2d 1121 (N.D. Cal. 2005), counsel for the government was asked by the Court whether an "emergency" was being claimed (with respect to the presence of the Western Snowy Plover at Crissy Field) in order for the government to avoid having failed to go through proper rule making under the Code of Federal Regulations. Counsel for the government answered with an unequivocal, "no."

In 2006, without any change in the status of the Plover in regards to off-leash pets, the GGNRA declared an "emergency" (without rule making, of course) and closed off the most westerly portion of the tidelands at Crissy Field and 2.2 miles of tidelands at Ocean Beach.

The legality of these closures have yet to be tested in front of the Court. Nor has the question of whether the Navy must prepare an environmental analysis prior to "Fleet Week" activities in the Bay Area been addressed.

To add further irony (and outrage) to the actions of the GGNRA, the Park Service itself funded the study by Megan Warren in order to determine whether off leash dogs at Crissy Field were posing a threat to the Plover. As you know, the findings of the study (that off leash dogs pose no impediment to the feeding habits and feeding ability of the Plover) have been all but ignored by the GGNRA, much like the science that was ignored and altered in the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm debacle.

To bring things a bit more current, I was at Crissy Field yesterday when the Blue Angels flew overhead. Both yesterday and since the closure of the western tidelands in 2006, I have witnessed all the birds at the beach immediately flying away. This is no doubt due both to the immense sound and immense vibrations caused by the Blue Angels. May I remind you of the GGNRA's own findings (as debatable as they may be) that a Plover turning its head in response to an off-leash dog (some 100 feet away) is considered a harmful disturbance under the ESA.

Given the clear disturbance to the Plover population from the Blue Angels (leaving their roosting area), it is incumbent upon you to seek an injunction forbidding the Blue Angels from disturbing the Plovers, whether at Crissy Field or Ocean Beach or any other site under the management of the NPS/GGNRA. This duty does not fall upon U.S. Fish & Wildlife because it did not declare the emergency or even sanction the GGNRA finding of an emergency. All the USF&W stated in correspondence with the GGNRA was that it did not believe the closures would have a negative impact on the Plover.

The Navy is not exempt from the strictures of the Endangered Species Act, as several decisions out of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals have made clear. There cannot be any dispute that the presence of the jets over Crissy Field and Ocean Beach are disturbances to the Plover. Accordingly, I reiterate that it is the GGNRA's obligation ("emergency" or no emergency) to protect the Plover from this significant disturbance.

I trust you will act in accordance with your duties and not demonstrate through inaction that the presence of the Plover on habitat that is not "critical" is simply a harbinger being used by the GGNRA (without any true scientific backing) to further illegally restrict our rights to recreate off leash with our pets.

Sincerely

Stephen Sayad

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**From:** Shoulders, Carolyn [carolyn\_shoulders@nps.gov]  
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**To:** Hatch, Daphne [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
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**Subject:** Re: Follow up

the only one that comes to mind is possibly Stillwater. They're certainly in to monitoring (WQ, stream work, evaluating projects) and did a great job helping us develop a monitoring framework for MuBe.

This might be a little outside their usual work, but it's very possible they'd have appropriate experience to draw from.

Of course, in the end, it always matters who you work with. The folks who helped us with MuBe are not really there any more. It could still be worth a shot, but I am not certain who to talk there at this point.

Carolyn

On Fri, Oct 10, 2014 at 5:15 PM, Hatch, Daphne <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov> wrote:

Any ideas of consultants who might be helpful in pulling together monitoring protocols for resource impacts related to dog management?

Thanks!

Daphne

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**From:** Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov>  
**Date:** Thu, Oct 9, 2014 at 10:43 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Follow up  
**To:** "Hatch, Daphne" <daphne\_hatch@nps.gov>

Thanks. A CV would be helpful. I am particularly looking for someone in rec ecology to help us understand impacts at our sites...Any regional ideas of folks who are familiar with our sites or flora and fauna?

Mike

On Wed, Oct 8, 2014 at 5:00 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

I should ask for his CV. I'll do that. He's a statistical whiz, but also resource economics. He has worked with other parks on setting up visitor monitoring programs I think, but probably more for counting people in unique situations. Yes, he was the key member of the recreational use consultant team for Cosco Busan.

Daphne

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On Wed, Oct 8, 2014 at 4:00 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Daphne,

Thanks will take a look at it. Is legget the guy you worked with on cosco busan? What's his background?

Mike

PS. Wanted to come over to your staff meeting on Tuesday at 2:30PM if possible to discuss some remaining issues in dog mgt rule, maps, and nomenclature for areas, as well as thoughts on NR expertise in area that I might include in monitoring program research team.

On Wed, Oct 8, 2014 at 3:37 PM, Hatch, Daphne <[daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)> wrote:

This looks like it might have some useful info in it. Haven't read it yet, just a quick scan.

Daphne

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From: **Chris Leggett** <[chris\\_leggett@statsandecon.com](mailto:chris_leggett@statsandecon.com)>

Date: Wed, Oct 8, 2014 at 8:45 AM

Subject: Compliance monitoring

To: [daphne\\_hatch@nps.gov](mailto:daphne_hatch@nps.gov)

Hi Daphne,

I hope you're doing well! In some work for Jim Haas/Heather Best I stumbled across this discussion of a study on compliance with leash laws in a park (see bottom of page 4 to top of page 5). I thought you might be interested.

Take care,

Chris

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**From:** Savidge, Michael [michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/8/2016 8:51:20 AM  
**To:** Michael Edwards [michael\_b\_edwards@nps.gov]; Xave Agnew [xave\_agnew@nps.gov]; Kathleen Beltrano [katie\_beltrano@nps.gov]; Timothy Hodge [timothy\_hodge@nps.gov]; Kristin Wheeler [wheeler.kristin@[exemption 6]]; noemi margaret [noemi\_robinson@nps.gov]; Erin Heimbinder [eheimbinder@[exemption 6]]; Chad Marin [chad\_marin@nps.gov]; Howard Levitt [Howard\_Levitt@nps.gov]; Aaron Roth [aaron\_roth@nps.gov]; William Merkle [bill\_merkle@nps.gov]; Craig Scott [craig\_scott@nps.gov]; Nathan Sargent [hale\_sargent@nps.gov]; Michael Coffey [michael\_coffey@nps.gov]; Daphne Hatch [daphne\_hatch@nps.gov]  
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**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg-new schedule

Redminder: We decided last meeting to hold the broader group dog mgt coord meetings every other week, allowing subgroups like Communications and Facilities to meet on the alternate weeks. Today will be optys for Comms group to meet on dog mgt Comms Plan.

Thank you.

Mike

On Wed, Aug 31, 2016 at 3:43 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hi all,

Attached is our agenda for tomorrow. We will be meeting in GG room since we will be doing final map reviews with decision points from IDT. Full agenda attached. Thanks for your participation and representation of your division in these decisions!

Mike

PS. For those not in room, maps will be available on google drive if you have contacted me by 9AM.

On Wed, Aug 24, 2016 at 4:51 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:

On Wed, Aug 24, 2016 at 4:51 PM, Savidge, Michael <michael\_j\_savidge@nps.gov> wrote:  
Hi all,

Due to the park's Centennial picnic at 11AM, we will not have a dog mgt mtg tomorrow, though everyone should expect a full one next week(9/1) to wrap up our IDT decisions. You will also be receiving a memo next week about reviewing NPS responses to SEIS and proposed rule for your divisional area of expertise. These reviews will require a one week turnaround to keep on schedule and should not be overly-burdensome at this point since both Michael and I are drafting them first. This will help ensure that we can meet the NPS Director's schedule from last WASO mtg.

Thank you for your continued work on making it to a new rule!

Mike

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**2014 Superintendent's Compendium**  
Of Designations, Closures, Permit  
Requirements and Other Restrictions  
Imposed Under Discretionary Authority

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank Dean".

**Frank Dean**  
General Superintendent  
Golden Gate National Recreation Area

A handwritten date in black ink that reads "June 2, 2014".

Date

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In accordance with the regulations and delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1 through 7, authorized by Title 16, United States Code, Section 3, the following regulatory provisions are established for the proper management, protection, government and public use of the portions of Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Presidio of San Francisco - Area A, Muir Woods National Monument, and Fort Point National Historic Site under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations that explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority as required by Section 1.5 (c) appear in this document identified by italicized print.

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## PART 1 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

The specific discretionary authority for Park Superintendents to establish reasonable schedules for visiting hours, impose public use limits, and close park areas for all public use or specific use is found at Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §1.5. These park-specific restrictions are also based upon 36 CFR, Chapters 1-7 to protect park resources, visitors and employees. Under CFR §1.7 notice of all restrictions, closures, designations and permit requirements will be made available to the general public by a least one or more of the following methods of notifications: maps, brochures, signs, permits, or other appropriate methods, as well as within this compendium.

### Section 1.1 Definitions

The following are terms used in this document. A more complete listing can be found in the CFR derived under 36 CFR §1.4 or §1.5 [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_09/36cfr1\\_09.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_09/36cfr1_09.html).

- **BICYCLE** means a device upon which any person may ride, propelled exclusively by human power through a belt, chain, or gears, and having one or more wheels. Persons riding bicycles are subject to the provisions of the CA Vehicle code specified in Sections 21200 and 21200.5.
- **BICYCLE ROUTE** means any lane, way, or path, designated by appropriate signs, that explicitly provides for bicycle travel.
- **COMMERCIAL CARRIER:** Any type of motor vehicle used for commercial transportation service to areas administered by GGNRA, including but not limited to sedans, SUV's, minivans, vans, mini-busses, motor coaches, and limousines used for commercial transportation services subject to authorization. The following exceptions apply in which carriers may use roads within GGNRA without a special CUA; vehicles contracted for use by school programs in NPS areas; vehicles contracted for use by nonprofit organizations' programs in NPS areas; vehicles; taxis; and MUNI or other providers of public transportation.
- **COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE:** Conveyance of visitors via motor vehicle into and/or out of any area administered by GGNRA for a direct or indirect fee and, except for on-board interpretative services, no other services are provided.
- **COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION:** A form or written authorization issued by the Superintendent under which persons are allowed to provide certain commercial services to visitors of the GGNRA.
- **ELECTRIC POWERED MOBILITY ASSISTANCE DEVICES** (e.g. electric scooters, Segway® devices) is a motor vehicle as defined in Title 36 CFR. "Electric personal assistive mobility device" or "EPMAD" means a self-balancing, non-tandem two-wheeled device, that is not greater than 20 inches deep and 25 inches wide and can turn in place, designed to transport only one person, with an electric propulsion system averaging less than 750 watts (1 horsepower), the maximum speed of which, when powered solely by a propulsion system on a paved level surface, is no more than 12.5 miles per hour
- **FIRE** means any combustion of combustible materials of any type outdoors.
- **FREQUENT USE:** Commercial transportation services offered within GGNRA more than one time per month.
- **IDLING** means the engine is running while a truck, bus or any vehicle is stationary.
- **KITE BUGGY** means a light, purpose-built vehicle powered by a traction kite (power kite). It is single-seated and has one steerable front wheel and two fixed rear wheels. The use of these devices fall under skateboarding regulations (See skateboard).
- **KITESURFING OR KITEBOARDING** means using a kite to pull a rider through the water on a surfboard or kite-board (a wakeboard-like board). The use of these devices fall under surfing regulations. Other terms used: Windsurfing.
- **MANAGED DOGS** means those dogs under control of their owner at all times. This control may be by voice or by leash, depending on the legal dog walking status of the area visited. The criterion is that the dog may not harass any person or animal.
- **ORGANIZED GAMES AND SPORTS** mean recreation that requires the erection of associated equipment, use of uniforms, and/or exclusive use of more than one-third of the designated area or patterns of routine use.
- **OVERNIGHT PARKING** means a vehicle parking continuously between 12 midnight and 6:00 a.m.

- **PICNICKING** means an excursion or outing in which the participants carry food with them and have a meal in the open air.
- **SERVICE ANIMAL** means any dog or miniature horse that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Miniature Horses are recognized as SERVICE ANIMALS for the purpose of the definition of Service Animal. (28 CFR Part 35 Section 34.104) Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the purpose of this definition. (28 CFR Part 35 section 34.104)
- **AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY** means any person who has a physical, mental, or sensory impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of such an impairment, or is re-guarded as having such an impairment. (43 CFR Part 17.503)
- **PORTABLE FIRE PIT** mean a free standing portable fire basin used with wood or wood products. The use of these devices falls under the 2.13 fire regulations.
- **POWERLESS FLIGHT.** The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight.
- **PUBLIC PIER OR JETTY** is defined in the sport fishing regulations as a publicly owned man-made structure that has the following characteristics: is connected, above the mean high tide, to the main coastline; has unrestricted free access for the general public; and has been built or currently functions for the primary purpose of allowing angling access to ocean waters.
- **SKATEBOARD** means a board having a set of wheels mounted under it or on the side, ridden in a standing, crouching or seated position. Other terms used for extreme sport skating: Mountain-boarding, Roll-surfing, and Dirt-surfing.
- **SKATESAILING** means a sport where people on skates are propelled by a sail. Traditionally ice skates are used, but other kinds, such as roller skates, skateboards, or wheels can be used. Other terms used: Street-sailing, Wind-skating, Sporting-sails and Land-surfing, the use of these devices fall under skateboarding regulations.
- **UNMANAGED DOGS** means dogs that annoy, harass, or attack people, wildlife, livestock or other dogs, are presumed to be not under control.
- **VOICE CONTROL** means dogs are within earshot and eyesight of the owner/handler and respond immediately to commands to return to leash when called.

### Section 1.2 Applicability and Scope

The regulations and public use limits or restrictions contained in this document apply to all persons entering, using, visiting or otherwise within the boundaries of lands and waters, controlled, leased, administered or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the National Park Service, Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

### Section 1.5 – Visiting Hours, Public Use Limits, Closures

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

#### What Are The Visiting Hours?

The Park is open to visitors every day of the year, 24 hours, except where listed below:

**VISITOR CENTERS** hours are as follows:

##### Marin County

- Marin Headlands Visitor Center: open year-round from 9:30-4:30pm (except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day)
- Muir Woods National Monument Visitor Center: open year-round from 9am until sunset.

##### San Francisco

- Fort Point Visitor Center: open seasonally from November 1 to March 31 Friday-Sunday from 10:00-5:00pm.
- Lands End Lookout: open daily from 9:00am-6:00pm
- Golden Gate Bridge Pavilion: open daily from 9:00am-5:00pm

**DAY USE:** The following areas are closed between one hour after sunset until 6:00am:

Marin County

- Conzelman Road: Closed to motorized vehicle traffic from its junction with McCullough road traffic circle, westward to its junction with Field road.
- Kirby Cove (except registered campers with valid permits)

San Francisco

- China Beach
- Fort Funston
- Battery East Parking Fort Point National Historic Site (all areas outside Historic Fort itself)
- Fort Mason: Black Point Battery stairway path leading to Van Ness Avenue

**DAY USE as posted:**

Marin County

- BATTERY TOWNSLEY (interior): First Sunday of each month, 1:00-4:00pm
- MUIR BEACH: 9:00 am until one hour after sunset
- MUIR BEACH OVERLOOK: 9:00am until one hour after sunset
- MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT: 8:00am until sunset
- NIKE MISSILE SITE:
  - Wednesday through Friday, 12:30–3:30pm
  - First Saturday of the month, 12:30–3:30pm
- POINT BONITA LIGHTHOUSE beyond tunnel:
  - Saturday through Monday 12:30–3:30pm
  - Evening and special programs as advertised in park events calendar
- STINSON BEACH: 9:00am until one hour after sunset

San Francisco

- ALCATRAZ ISLAND public access is limited to the self-guided areas during day, evening and special programs operating hours. Alcatraz Island hours of operations are established by the Superintendent's office according to daylight savings and the after-hours program. Schedule of hours of operation is available on the park web site or through Superintendent's office. <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/hours.htm>
- BAKER BEACH parking 6:00am- until one hour after sunset
- BATTERY EAST parking 6:00am – 11:00 pm
- BATTERY CHAMBERLAIN (interior): First full weekend of the month 11:00am-2:00pm
- MERRIE WAY parking 6:00am-1:00am
- NAVY MEMORIAL parking 6:00am-1:00am.
- OCEAN BEACH 1<sup>ST</sup> Overlook parking open 6:00am-10:00pm. 2<sup>ND</sup> overlook parking open 6:00am-10:00pm.

*These areas are designated as day use due to public safety concerns associated with limited visibility, steep coastal cliffs and the marine environment during hours of darkness. In addition, these areas are significant for the naturally spectacular serpentine coastal bluffs and particularly the Fort Point area is one of our remnant natural areas and contains populations of three rare plants that are highly sensitive to damage with no scheduled attendant protection services.*

**Are There Public Use Limits?**

BEACH FIRES require permit for 25 people or more, refer to §2.13(a) (1) Fires and § 1.6 Permits of this compendium.

Marin County

- Permitted only on Muir Beach in designated fire pits

San Francisco

- Permitted only on Ocean Beach in designated fire pits

*Management of beach fires through permit conditions allows the park to continue this activity without causing resource damage and harm to visitor safety.*

BICYCLE use is prohibited in the following developed park areas:

Marin County

- Battery Yates Trail (top of battery), Fort Baker
- Muir Woods National Monument, except Deer Park Fire Road
- Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail, Marin Headlands

San Francisco

- Crissy Field Lagoon Boardwalk
- Fort Point Pier

San Mateo

- Bicycles must be walked on the portion of the Spine Trail through the Ember Ridge Equestrian Center (**Exhibit 15**)

BICYCLES GROUPS: maximum number of bicyclists in any one group is 10. Larger groups of cyclists will have to divide into groups of no larger than 10.

*Group size restriction is necessary for the safety of the cyclists using public roadways and authorized trails within the Park. Roadways and trails must be shared with other vehicles, pedestrians and horses. Group size does not exempt bicyclists from adhering to California Vehicle Code regulations.*

FOOD is prohibited:

- Alcatraz Island: beyond dock area
- Muir Woods National Monument except gift shop and Muir Plaza.

*The restriction of food reduces rodent infestation and waste on Alcatraz Island and trash litter within Muir Woods National Monument.*

IDLING motor vehicle is prohibited:

- All vehicles traveling in the park while parked for more than 30 seconds must have engines remain off.
- The above prohibition does not apply to law enforcement patrol operations, fire or emergency search and rescue missions or training exercises.

*The purpose of this restriction is to reduce public exposure to diesel, exhaust particulate matter and other toxic air contaminants by limiting the idling of buses, trucks or motor vehicles. In addition, this restriction will eliminate the noise from idling vehicles when parked in or adjacent to residential areas and natural settings located throughout the park.*

MODEL AIRPLANES: The following are the only areas open to model airplane flights and operations:

- Fort Funston (when hang gliders or Para-gliders are not in the air)
- Shoreline Highway north of Muir Beach Overlook

*Model airplanes are a hazard to the safety of people piloting hang gliders and para-gliders in the Fort Funston area.*

ORGANIZED SPORTS: The following areas are closed to organized sports:

Marin County

- Fort Baker Parade Ground

San Francisco

- Crissy Field Airfield
- Fort Mason Great Meadow
- Fort Mason Parade Ground

*Small impromptu pickup games that do not adversely impact the designated natural and cultural resources within designated areas will be allowed, e.g. Frisbee, hacky sack or similar low impact games. This closure is necessary to protect natural resources including the tidal marsh and wildlife therein and protect the newly restored turf from the overall impact, including length of stay*

OVERNIGHT MOORING / ANCHORING are prohibited at Horseshoe Cove at Fort Baker, Marin Headlands.

*This is a congested area with a great deal of boat traffic and emergency response from U.S. Park Rangers and U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate which prohibits the mooring or anchoring of vessels in areas of Horseshoe Cove other than at the Presidio Yacht Club that would create a hazard to navigation and a level of intrusion, associated with these use. The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users and allow the safe passage of emergency response from USCG.*

#### PARKING:

- All parking areas and roads in the park are closed to camping and overnight parking, with the exception of visitors properly displaying (hike-in and hike-through) backcountry camping permits. Those visitors may park at established trailheads located at: Bldg. T-1111, Bicentennial Campground, Kirby Cove, and Tennessee Valley parking in the Marin Headlands. Guests staying overnight at Cavallo Point Lodge, Fort Barry Hostel, Headlands Institute, and the Point Bonita YMCA may park at those locations. Fort Mason Hostel guests must display green parking permit and park in Fort Mason Quad parking area and along MacArthur Avenue only.
- CRISSY FIELD: Parking on any grass berm at East Beach parking is prohibited.
- WEST BLUFF: Expanded Amenity Fee 10am – 5pm. Lot closed between 11 PM and 6 AM.
- BATTERY EAST: Monday thru Friday 3-hour parking limit. Saturday and Sunday \$1d/hr or \$6d/day, between the hours of 10am – 5pm.
- FORT MASON (Upper): Two hour public parking limit, except motorcycles/scooters and vehicles displaying NPS or resident parking permit or under condition of special use permit.
- FORT MASON (Lower): Paid parking operated by City Park through [www.fortmason.org](http://www.fortmason.org)
- FORT MASON (Lower): Parking on Pier 1 and Pier 2 aprons prohibited.
- MUIR WOODS NM: Commercial carrier parking stalls open to public parking after 4:00 p.m.
- SUTRO HEIGHTS: Reserved valet parking for Cliff House patrons. Forty-four (44) parking stalls will be designated "Permit Parking Only - 5 p.m. to Midnight".

*Since overnight use and camping is prohibited in the park except in established campgrounds or park partner facilities there is no valid reason for a vehicle to remain in the park overnight unless the Public Safety division or United States Park Police has been previously advised.*

#### PARK BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

- Park administrative, maintenance, service roads, public safety, storage, resident housing, licensed concessionaires or lessee and park partners' facilities are closed to the public, including but not limited to access roads, outbuildings and grounds. This closure shall not apply to residents, guests of residents, or persons engaged in legitimate government activities or permitted business activities.
- Except for facilities and sites designated open for visitor use, all buildings are closed to unauthorized entry. This shall not apply to persons in non-public areas who have been granted specific permission by the National Park Service (NPS); another authorized Federal agency, licensed concessionaires or lessee, park partners, their representatives and guests, contractors, or those who are under escort of park employees.
- All buildings used for the storage, treatment, or transmission of electricity, gas, telephone, waste disposal, and domestic water are closed to the public, unless under escort of park employees.

*Enhanced security for employees, government property and utilities require these sites to have limited access.*

PICNICKING for groups over 50 people require permit, refer to definition as well as §1.6 "Permits" and §2.11 "Picnicking" of this compendium.

*Because there are limited places in the park which can accommodate a picnic group of this size, and to minimize the impact of such a group on other visitors, a permit system is necessary.*

WEDDINGS AND OUTDOOR CEREMONIES: Indoor and outdoor events in the park require a permit.

*Due to the overwhelming request for these types of events in the park, while maintaining public access for multi-use recreation, these events may require additional utilities, services and oversight best facilitated through a permit. See §1.6 of this compendium for information.*

### **What Park Areas Are Closed To The Public?**

**All areas fenced and / or posted as closed**

#### Marin County

##### **FORT BAKER (Exhibit # 1)**

- Baker/Barry Tunnel closed to pedestrians
- Battery Yates Wildlife Protection Area – beyond cable fencing
- Battery Cavallo
- Battery Spencer historic fortification pill boxes above Golden Gate Bridge
- Golden Gate Bridge north anchorage and pylons
- U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate facilities and docks
- Vista Point service road accessed from lower Conzelman Road
- Lower Conzelman road (south of parking lot to Lime Point access road) closed to vehicles only
- Lime Point access road and light station

##### **MUIR BEACH**

- Big Lagoon and seasonal inlet
- Redwood Creek

##### **POINT BONITA LIGHTHOUSE AREA (Exhibit # 2)**

- Bird Island Overlook – beyond cable fencing, cliff areas and coastal fortifications
- Bonita Cove and tide pools
- Travel off lighthouse main access road and trail
- U.S. Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service radar site

#### San Francisco

ALCATRAZ ISLAND the following locations are closed to public use:

*Closed areas may be accessed under special circumstances with site supervisor approval.*

- All tide pools
- All designated sensitive bird breeding habitats
- Casemates under recreation yard
- Catwalk circling recreation yard
- Cistern area
- Incinerator area
- Lower west road over Barker Beach from Windy Gulch path to New Industries building
- Morgue
- Northeast perimeter path
- Officers club
- Parade Ground rubble piles
- Plaza northeast of Model Industries building (as posted)
- Quartermaster building
- Top tiers of cell house (A, B, C, & D Blocks)
- Warden's house



- Western and northwestern cliffs
- Windy Gulch path
- The Gardens
- Any area barricaded and signed "Area Closed for Your Safety"
- Any Buildings not open to the Public, such as Building 64, Upper Tiers
- The following locations on ALCATRAZ ISLAND will be closed seasonally to public use each year from February 1 through September 15, or the end of the nesting season as determined by the park's wildlife specialist in the following areas: **(Exhibit # 3)**
  - Agave Trail (from dock to tide pools west of steps)
  - Parade Ground and Agave Steps (end of season to be determined)
  - Model Industries Plaza (as posted)
  - Northeast Perimeter (dock to north fog horn) (end of season to be determined)
  - West Side (lower west road from Parade Ground gate, past Apt. A, bird blind, incinerator, and west side of New Industries building) (end of season to be determined).

**FORT FUNSTON (Exhibit #4)**

- Habitat protection area
- Coastal trail south approx. 600 yard section north of Horse Trail intersection

**FORT MASON (Lower) (Exhibit #5)**

- Pier One
- Pier Four
- Historic Guard Shack

**FORT POINT HISTORIC SITE (Exhibit #6)**

- Historic Seawall
- Golden Gate bridge anchorage and pylons

**LAND'S END (Exhibit # 7)**

- Dead Man's Point
- Eagle Point social trails below overlook deck and along Coastal Trail
- Point Lobos Archeological District, Sutro District
- Travel off trail east of Painted Rock east to junction of main Coastal Trail

**PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO (Area A):**

- Lobos Creek riparian corridor **(Exhibit #8 )**
- Former Coast Guard Pier
- Crissy Tidal Marsh consisting of an open water lagoon, sand flats, mud flats and vegetated marsh plain is located in the central portion of Crissy Field. The tidal marsh is defined as: starting at the eastern edge, from the channel inlet promenade footbridge extending along the shoreline; along the northern edge of the wetland; west to the perimeter of the restored airfield; and to the south along the vegetation buffer and barrier fencing parallel and adjacent to Mason Street. Public use is permitted on designated trails, including boardwalks and footbridges. **(Exhibit #10A)**
- Presidio Water Treatment Plant, Bldg. 1773

San Mateo County

**MORI POINT**

- Service road closed to vehicles(except by NPS escort only)
- Ponds

*Areas are designated as closures due to public safety concerns associated with limited visibility, steep coastal cliffs and the marine environment during hours of darkness with no scheduled attendant protection services.*

*Alcatraz Island areas are closed to protect breeding birds. Certain bird species nesting on Alcatraz have demonstrated extreme sensitivity to human presence during the breeding season. These closures minimize the disturbance to their nesting activity.*

*Natural and cultural resources in these areas are highly sensitive to damage. In addition, they provide vital protection of habitat for shorebirds, Mission Blue butterflies, marine mammals, and other sea life.*

*Vegetated areas contain significant native plant communities and habitat that are subject to human-induced impacts to the coastal bluffs and dunes, a significant geological feature.*

*U.S. Coast Guard radar site; Station Golden Gate and Golden Gate Bridge facilities are for agency restricted use and protected for security purposes.*

*Residential areas inside the park are primarily maintained for the use of park residents and their invited guests; limited general public access is allowed.*

*Baker/Barry tunnel is a one-way traffic controlled tunnel for motor vehicles with bicycle lanes in both directions, and therefore not appropriate to allow pedestrian traffic.*

#### Dept. of Homeland Security ENHANCED SECURITY CLOSURES – ELEVATED

- Fort Point National Historic Site
  - Marine Drive closed at Wave gate.
  - Long Avenue
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Marin Headlands)
  - Lower Conzelman road access at Northwest Parking Lot.
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Fort Baker)
  - Lower Conzelman road access closed at Bunker Road & Murray Circle intersection.
  - Sommerville Road access road to Lower Conzelman; boat launch and fishing pier closed east of USCG Station Golden Gate.
- Land and waters surrounding the north and south anchorage of the Golden Gate Bridge:
  - Fort Point NHS 100 yards offshore from the low water mark.
  - Fort Baker 100 yards offshore from the low water mark.
  - no vessels shall

[a] anchor beneath the Golden Gate Bridge, or within 100 feet of the east or west edges of the bridge;

[b] operate or remain beneath the Golden Gate Bridge; or within 100 feet east or west of the edges of the bridge, for longer than it is reasonably necessary to traverse that area, except in an emergency, or with the permission of the Captain of the Port, SF Bay (USCG).

*These closures are necessary when the condition is declared where there is a high risk of terrorist attacks. These closures restricting visitor access will remain in effect during National Threat Level – ELEVATED. These closures are rescinded when threat level high condition ELEVATED is reduced or eliminated.*

#### Dept. of Homeland Security ENHANCED SECURITY CLOSURES – IMMINENT

- Fort Point National Historic Site
  - Marine Drive closed at Wave gate.
  - Long Avenue
  - Coastal trail closed at Fort Point administration Building to Battery East.
  - Coastal trail closed at Battery East to Golden Gate Bridge.
- Coastal Trail
  - Coastal trail closed at Battery Boutelle east to Golden Gate Bridge
- Marshall Beach to Fort Point Beach (Golden Gate Bridge South Anchorage)
  - Batteries to Bluffs trail from Lincoln Ave to Marshall Beach
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Marin Headlands)
  - Lower Conzelman road access at North West Parking Lot.
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Fort Baker)

- Lower Conzelman road access closed at Bunker Road & Murray Circle intersection.
- Sommerville Road access road to Lower Conzelman; boat launch and fishing pier closed east of USCG Station Golden Gate.
- Land and waters surrounding the north and south anchorage of the Golden Gate Bridge:
  - Fort Point NHS 300 offshore from the low water mark.
  - Fort Baker 500 yards offshore from the low water mark.
    - no vessels shall
      - [a] anchor beneath the Golden Gate Bridge, or within 100 feet of the east or west edges of the bridge;
      - [b] operate or remain beneath the Golden Gate Bridge; or within 100 feet east or west of the edges of the bridge, for longer than it is reasonably necessary to traverse that area, except in an emergency, or with the permission of the Captain of the Port, SF Bay, U.S. Coast Guard.

*These closures are necessary when the condition is declared where there is an extreme risk of terrorist attacks. These closures restricting visitor access will remain in effect during National Threat Level – IMMINENT. These closures are rescinded when threat level extreme condition IMMINENT is reduced or eliminated.*

**36 CFR §1.5 (a)(2) What Activities Have Been Designated For A Specific Use Or Area, And Are Under Special Conditions And/Or Restrictions?**

- **BOATING:** The following areas are closed to all vessels, including rowboats, kayaking, sail boarding, kite boarding and windsurfing:
  - Alcatraz Island docks\*, except NPS contracted ferry and barge service
  - Crissy Field Wildlife Protection Area which encompasses the shoreline and beach north of the Crissy Field Promenade (excluding the paved parking area, sidewalks and grass lawn of the former Coast Guard Station complex) that stretches east from the Torpedo Wharf to approximately 700 feet east of the former Coast Guard station landside, and all tidelands and submerged lands to 300 feet off shore. **(Exhibit #10B)**
  - All navigable waters within 500 feet of shore from the eastern boundary of East Beach to Fort Point are closed to vessel traffic from July 1st to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2013.
  - Lobos Creek
  - Redwood Creek
  - Rodeo Lagoon and seasonal inlet
  - Rodeo Lake

*This restriction is for the purpose of protection of irreplaceable natural resources. These areas provide vital habitat for water birds, shorebirds and marine life. These restrictions are necessary to protect water quality in the wetlands. In addition, there is a need to maintain clearance and reduce hazards to navigation for ferries transporting visitors to Alcatraz Island and minimize disturbance to nesting wildlife. Constant boat traffic, loud noise and the use of public address systems from tour vessels and night lighting may cause seabirds to abandon nests. The prohibition on boating will provide important areas of reduced disturbance for wildlife.*

**\*NOTE:** Special regulations pertaining to boat landings on Alcatraz Island are found in 36 CFR Section 7.97(a) and were published in the Federal Register on December 11, 1992.

**CAMPING:**

- Please refer to §2.10 of this compendium for specific camping area regulations.

**DESIGNATED FISHING PIERS** the following areas do not require fishing licenses:

- Fort Baker pier and jetty
- Fort Mason Piers Two & Three (Herbst and Festival Pavillions)

- Fort Point pier (a.k.a. Torpedo Wharf)

*In accordance with California Fish & Game Code of Regulations Title 14 §1.88 public fishing piers and jetties, open 24 hours a day, do not require a State fishing license. See definitions.*

**FISHING:** The following areas are closed to fishing:

Marin County

- Easkoot Creek, Stinson Beach
- Muir Woods National Monument (36 CFR 7.6)
- Redwood Creek (including Muir Beach Lagoon and tidewaters)
- Tennessee Valley Ponds
- Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Headlands
- Rodeo Lake, Marin Headlands

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island shoreline
- Crissy Field Tidal Marsh and Lagoon
- Crissy Field Former Coast Guard Pier, breakwater and seawall
- Lobos Creek, Presidio Area A

*The Endangered Species Act and the Organic Act require special protection for the threatened and endangered species and the anadromous fish found in these areas. The above restrictions afford that protection. Alcatraz Island and the Coast Guard pier are closed to fishing due to public safety concerns associated with steep drop-offs and the marine environment during hours of darkness. Alcatraz Island is also closed to fishing due to the congestion caused by heavy visitation. Lobos Creek is closed to protect the public drinking water supply. The prohibition on fishing will provide important areas of reduced disturbance for wildlife.*

**GLASS BOTTLES/CONTAINERS** possession is prohibited in the following areas:

- All beach areas and 15 feet adjacent
- Crissy Field, north of promenade.
- Historic coastal defense structures
- Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow

*The purpose of this regulation is to reduce the amount of injurious trash in the park and to prevent injury to park visitors.*

**PETS:** <http://www.nps.gov/goqa/parkmgmt/pets.htm>

**WHERE CAN I WALK MY DOG OFF LEASH PER THE 1979 PET POLICY? (Exhibit #11A & 11B)**

The 1979 policy allows for managed pets leashed or under voice control in the following areas:

Marin County

- Rodeo Beach and South Rodeo Beach, Fort Cronkhite
- Muir Beach
- Oakwood Valley Fire Road and upper section of Oakwood Valley Trail to Alta Avenue
- Alta Trail between Marin City and junction with Oakwood Valley Trail
- Orchard and Pacheco Fire Roads between Marin City and Alta Trail
- Tamalpais Area: 4 Corners tract above Mill Valley bounded by State Route 1, Panoramic Highway, Sequoia Valley Road and Homestead Valley area.
- Trail corridors (3) in Marin Headlands:
  1. Coastal Trail from Golden Gate Bridge to junction with Wolf Ridge Trail;
  2. Loop Trail from Rodeo Beach parking lot up Coastal Trail paved road (Old Bunker Road) near Battery Townsley and return to Rodeo Beach on paved road;

3. Wolf Ridge Loop (Coastal Trail to Wolf Ridge Trail; Wolf Ridge Trail to Miwok Trail; Miwok Trail back down to Coastal Trail).

San Francisco

- Baker Beach north of Lobos Creek
- Crissy Field, excluding Wildlife Protection Area seasonal leash restriction\*
- Fort Funston, except in the 12-acre closure in northwest Fort Funston.
- Fort Miley, east
- Fort Miley, west
- Land's End
- Ocean Beach, excluding Snowy Plover Protection Area seasonal leash restriction\*

San Mateo

- None

\* For seasonal leash restrictions, see 2008 Special Regulation, 36 CFR 7.97(d)

<http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/Fed%20Reg%20Final%20Rule091908-2.pdf>

**WHERE MUST I WALK MY DOG ON LEASH PER THE 1979 PET POLICY? (Exhibit #11A & #11B)**

Marin County

- Marin Headlands Trail corridors (3):
  1. Coastal Trail between Hill 88 (junction of Coastal Trail and Wolf Ridge Trail) and Muir Beach
  2. Miwok Trail between Tennessee Valley parking area to State Route 1
  3. Rhubarb Trail

San Francisco

- Baker Beach Picnic areas and Parking lots.
- Crissy Field Picnic areas and Parking lots.
- Fort Mason
- Sutro Heights Park

**WHAT AREAS ARE CLOSED TO DOGS PER THE 1979 PET POLICY? (Exhibit #11A & #11B)**

Marin County

- Audubon Canyon Ranch
- Muir Woods National Monument
- Stinson Beach

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- Baker Beach, south of Lobos Creek
- China Beach(formerly Phelan Beach)
- Fort Point

The 1979 Pet Policy states that "unmanaged animals are not allowed in GGNRA."

In all other areas of the park where dogs are allowed, 36 CFR 2.15 (a)(2), the federal regulation requiring dogs to be on leash, applies.

Refer to §2.15 "Pets" in this compendium for additional areas closed to pets and special conditions imposed by the Superintendent.

The above prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to:

- Emergency search and rescue missions; or
- Law enforcement patrol or bomb dogs; or

- Qualified service dogs accompanying persons with disabilities per the American Disability Act. (NOTE: Companion animals are not service animals, but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statute.)

**SWIMMING BEACHES:** Stinson Beach is designated as a swimming beach.

Please refer to §3.16 and §3.17 for specific swimming area designation uses.

- **SURFING:** Restricted at Stinson Beach, including Kite surfing and Kite boarding, when swimmers are present, and allowed only in areas designated as "Non Swimming Areas" and only at such times as are deemed safe by the Supervisory Ranger or by his/her representative.

**NON-SWIMMING AREAS:** will be designated through the use of movable, brightly colored buoys and/or the posting of flags; the posting of prominent signs on the lifeguard towers and individual contacts with users as necessary.

**36 CFR § 1.5(a)(2) Designate areas for a specific use or activity, or impose conditions or restrictions on a use or activity:**

**REMEDIAION STIES USE RESTRICTIONS**

The use restrictions at the remediation sites are based on work completed by the Presidion Trust.

**LANDFILL 10/GRADED AREA 9 (EXHIBIT #9)**

The soil at the former Landfill 10 (LF10) and Graded Area 9 (GA9) was the subject of a remediation action in 2011. The locations of these sites, also known as the Land Use Control (LUC) Zone, are attached to this Compendium as Exhibit #9.

A soil cover has been placed at each of these sites. The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has required that LUCs be implemented at each site to maintain the cover in a manner protective of human health and the environment.

Any person who intends to conduct activities that could involve digging or disturbance of the soil within the LUC Zone, such as planting, weeding, installation of utilities or maintenance and repair, must contact the Superintendent (or his or her designee) in writing 14 days prior to beginning any such activities.

**36 CFR §1.5 (a)(3) The following restrictions, limits, closures, designations, conditions, or visiting hour restrictions imposed under §§ (a)(1) or (2) have been terminated:**

**BOATING:** The following areas are closed to all vessels, including rowboats, kayaking, sail boarding, kite boarding and windsurfing:

- Alcatraz Island 2013: Seasonal closure from June 21<sup>st</sup> to September 22<sup>nd</sup> of shoreline to 500 feet; excluding the East shoreline between the guard tower and the South East corner of the island. (122 25'07.9"W 37 49'29.9"N) (Exhibit #3)

**36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT**

**(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the superintendent is required:** (415) 561-4300 or visit the park website [www.nps.gov/goga](http://www.nps.gov/goga) .

§1.5(d) The following activities related to Public Use Limits:

- Commercial Tour Vehicles <http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/businesswithpark.htm>
- Picnic:50+ persons [http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/nps\\_permit\\_picnics.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/nps_permit_picnics.pdf)
- Outdoor ceremony <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/weddings.htm>
- Entry into closed area
- Guide and Service dog training

§2.4(d) Carry or possess a weapon, trap, or net

§2.5(a) Specimen collection (Take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals)

§2.10(a) Camping activities: <http://www.recreation.gov/>

- Kirby Cove, Bicentennial, Haypress and Hawk Camp
- Kirby Cove Day-use site
- Overnight parking permits for a hike through the park with accommodations outside of the park

§2.12 Audio Disturbances:

- (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas
- (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas
- (a)(4) Operation of a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51

§2.13(a)(1) Beach Fires <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/10-930%20Special%20Park%20Uses%20beach%20fires.pdf>

§2.17 Aircraft & Air Delivery:

- (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means
- (c)(1) Removal of a downed aircraft

§2.37 Soliciting or demanding gifts, money goods or services (Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit issued under §2.50, §2.51 or §2.52)

§2.38 Explosives:

- (a) Use, possess, store, transport explosives, blasting agents
- (b) Use or possess fireworks

§2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>

§2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>

§2.52(c) Sale or distribution of printer matter that is not solely commercial advertising

§2.60(b) Livestock use

§2.61(a) Residing on federal lands

§2.62 Memorialization:

- (a) Erection of monuments (Requires approval from Director)
- (b) Scattering ashes from human cremation  
[http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/form\\_letter\\_ashes.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/form_letter_ashes.pdf)

§4.11(a) Exceeding of established vehicle load, weight and size limits

§5.1 Advertisements - (Display, posting or distribution.)

§5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (Requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations).

§5.5 Commercial Photography/Filming: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/filming.htm>

- (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television involving the use of professional casts, settings or crews, other than bona fide newsreel or news television
- (b) Still photography of vehicles, or other articles of commerce or models for the purpose of commercial advertising.

§5.6(c) Use of commercial vehicles on park area roads (The superintendent shall issue a permit to access private lands within or adjacent to the park when access is otherwise not available)

§5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.

§7.97(a) Boat landings on Alcatraz

## **PART TWO – RESOURCE PROTECTION, PUBLIC USE AND RECREATION**

### **36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

#### **(b) Where must I stay on the trail?**

All areas fenced and / or posted as closed

Marin County (Exhibit #13A, #13B, #13C, #13D)

- Alta Fire Road
  - Drown Fire Road
  - Clyde's Ridge Trail, Marin Headlands
  - Slacker Trail, Marin Headlands
  - Slacker Ridge Trail, Marin Headlands
  - Bay Trail (Battery Yates, Fort Baker)
  - Chapel Trail, Fort Baker
  - Coastal Trail - Hawk Hill Connector
  - Coastal Trail, Tennessee Valley to Muir Beach
  - Muir Beach Access Trail, Muir Beach
  - Muir Beach Overlook Trail
  - Kaasi Trail, Muir Beach
  - Kirby Cove Road – from Conzelman Gate to Campground Parking Lot
  - Muir Woods National Monument
  - Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail
  - Student Conservation Assoc. (SCA) Trail, Marin Headlands
- € San Francisco
- Alcatraz Island, Agave Trail
  - Coastal Trail, Battery East Earthworks
  - Batteries to Bluffs Trail, Presidio
  - Coastal Trail, Presidio and Land's End
- € San Mateo Exhibit #14
- Notch Trail, Sweeney Ridge

*This restriction is for the purpose of visitor safety associated with uneven surfaces, loose rock formations, and steep drop-offs areas identified as the sites of multiple fatalities over the years. Other areas require protection of irreplaceable cultural resources or threatened and endangered species habitat. In addition, these areas provide vital habitat for federally endangered mission blue butterfly species and other birds, marine mammals, and other sea life. The vegetated areas contain native and historical vegetation that is sensitive to trampling due to shortcutting and erosion paths.*

**(c)(1), (c)(2) The following fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption, in accordance with the noted size, quantity, collection sites and/or use or consumption restrictions:**

- Plums, apples, figs, blackberries and unoccupied seashells may be gathered for personal consumption or use in quantities of less than one (1) quart per person per day and no more than 5 total quarts per person per year.
- Muir Woods National Monument: No collecting of any kind is allowed

*It has been determined that the gathering or consumption of fruits and berries will not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproduction potential of any plant species, or otherwise adversely affect park resources. If future monitoring indicates that such gathering or consumption is likely to cause adverse effects to park resources, then the authorization of this consumptive use will be terminated. Use of these items for any purpose other than personal consumption is specifically prohibited.*

See [http:// www.presidio.gov](http://www.presidio.gov) PART 1002 § 1002.1(c)(2) for areas available for mushroom harvesting on Presidio Trust jurisdiction.

**36 CFR §2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

**(e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light:**

- The entire park is closed to viewing wildlife by artificial light.



*The purpose of this regulation is to protect park wildlife from poaching activity and the effect of temporarily blinding the animal and potentially jeopardizing its safety. NOTE: Night vision devices are not artificial lights; however, infrared lighting /beams are considered artificial lights and are included in this prohibition.*

### **36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING and FOOD STORAGE**

**(a) The sites and areas listed below have been designated for camping activities as noted. A permit system has been established for certain campgrounds or camping activities, and conditions for camping and camping activities are in effect as noted.** Visit the park website at [www.nps.gov/goga](http://www.nps.gov/goga) for specific stay and site limits and reservation systems.

#### **Designated Campgrounds**

##### Marin Headlands

- Bicentennial
- Haypress
- Hawk Camp
- Kirby Cove, including day-use area

#### **Camping Activities**

- Camping, overnight or multiple day parking in any type of motor vehicle is prohibited upon lands administered by Golden Gate National Recreation Area except in campgrounds and designated sites by permit.
- Campground check out is 12:00 noon on the day of departure.
- Campground use fees, if applicable, shall be paid prior to arrival.
- Up to 15 people may visit the registered campers per campsite. Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., registered campers shall not exceed the designated capacity.
- Minors must be supervised. A responsible leader, 21 years or older, must be present for every 10 children under 18 years of age.
- The minimum age of any camper is 18 years of age, unless accompanied by an adult or unless a legal guardian provides a letter of permission. This letter must state the name of minor that has permission to camp, dates allowed to camp, contact name and number of legal guardian.
- Dogs and other pets are prohibited, except Service Animals as defined by 28 CFR part 35 Section 34.104. (NOTE: Crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of the definition of Service Animal but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statute.)
- Amplified music is prohibited.
- Vehicles are prohibited within the boundaries of walk-in or hike-in campgrounds.
- Drive-in access will be allowed at Kirby Cove for disabled visitors. This drive-in access is allowed for the ease of loading and unloading the disabled visitor only, not for loading and unloading gear.

**(b)(3) Camping within 25 feet of a fire hydrant or main road, or within 100 feet of a flowing stream, river or body of water is authorized only in the following areas:**

- In established campsites in designated campgrounds.

**(d) Conditions for the storage of food are in effect, as noted, for designated campgrounds:**

- All food (including canned, bottled or otherwise packaged, equipment used to cook or store food, garbage and toiletries such as soap, toothpaste and cosmetics) should be stored in the food lockers provided.
- When there is more food than can be stored in the locker, canned or bottled items that have never been opened may be stored in the trunk of the vehicle parked in the designated parking areas or if

there is no trunk, as low in the vehicle as possible, provided that the cans and bottles are stored out of sight in odor-tight containers and all vehicle doors, windows and vents are closed.

### **36 CFR §2.11 – PICNICKING**

**(a) The following areas are closed to picnicking:**

- **Muir Woods National Monument, except Muir Plaza (former upper main parking lot).**
- **Fort Point (inside Historic Fort)**

Conditions for picnicking where allowed:

- Battery Wallace, Marin Headlands and West Bluff, Crissy Field are first come, first served picnic sites and do not require a permit for groups less than 50 people. No groups over 50 people.
- Black Point Battery and West Fort Miley picnic areas can be reserved. No minimum group size. Visitors can reserve these sites by calling the Office of Special Park Uses at (415) 561-4300.
- Groups of fifty (50) persons or more shall be considered special use and require a permit.

**NOTE:** Permits will not be issued for groups of fifty (50) persons or more on weekends and holidays from March 15-October 15 at the following sites:

Marin County

- Muir Beach
- Muir Beach Overlook
- Rodeo Beach
- Stinson Beach

San Francisco

- Baker Beach
- China Beach

### **36 CFR 2.13 – FIRES**

**(a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is generally prohibited, except as provided for in the following designated areas and/or receptacles, and under the conditions noted:**

#### **SPARE THE AIR DAYS**

- Mandatory curtailment for all fires: No person shall ignite, cause to be ignited, permit to be ignited, or maintain any recreational fires, including campfires, beach fires, and outdoor grills during summer and winter Spare the Air Days designated by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District when negative impact upon public health is anticipated.

#### **CAMPFIRES**

Designated Areas:

- Campfires are permitted only in established campgrounds or picnic areas that have fire enclosures, grill or fire grates provided by the park.
- NPS and park partners are allowed to have fires in approved portable containers and fixed fire pits with a programmatic element that interprets the Park. These fires will be set as part of a planned civic event or program designed to educate or otherwise benefit the public. The fire shall be set or allowed by park or partner employees, in the performance of their official duty.

Established Conditions for Campfires:

- All firewood must be brought into the park. No gathering, cutting or scavenging of firewood or kindling is permitted in the park from any source.
- Chemically treated wood, painted wood, wood with nails or staples shall not be used in any fire.
- No campfires are allowed when fire danger is high, very high, or extreme.

## BEACH FIRES

Groups over 25 people require a permit. Call 561-4300.

### Designated Beach Fire Areas:

- **MUIR BEACH:**
  - Fires permitted during day use (9:00am-one hour after sunset-time posted)
  - Only in fire rings provided by the park:
    - May-November maximum 6
    - December-April maximum 3
- **OCEAN BEACH: (Exhibit #12)**
  - Fires permitted from 6:00am-9:00pm only
  - Only in fire rings provided by the park between stairwell # 15-20

### Established Conditions for Beach Fires:

- All firewood must be brought into the park. No gathering, cutting or scavenging of firewood or kindling is permitted in the park from any source.
- Fires must be above ground (no pit fires) and attended at all times.
- Chemically treated wood, painted wood, wood with nails or staples shall not be used in any fire.
- Debris burning is not permitted, **including Christmas trees.**
- Refuse must be removed from beach.
- Minors must be supervised. A responsible leader, 21 years or older, must be present for every 10 children under 18 years of age.
- Ceramic pit fires are prohibited.
- No Beach Fires are allowed when fire danger is high, very high, or extreme.

### (a)(2) The following restrictions are in effect for the use of stoves or lanterns:

#### GRILL/STOVE FIRES

##### Receptacles Allowed:

- Fixed charcoal grills provided by the park and/or visitor's portable liquid fuel stoves or charcoal barbecues used only in established picnic areas, campgrounds, or beaches unless signed or permitted otherwise.
- Established Conditions for Grill/Stove Fires:
  - Debris burning is not permitted.
  - Portable charcoal and liquid fuel stoves are prohibited on Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow.
  - Only liquid fuel stoves are permitted in Haypress Campground, Hawk Campground and Bicentennial Campground.
  - No Grills (including park provided grills) or portable charcoal stoves are allowed when fire danger is very high or extreme.

### (b) Fires must be extinguished according to the following conditions:

- Campfires will be completely extinguished with water, doused and stirred.
- Beach fires will be completely extinguished with water, doused and stirred. **Fires should not be covered with sand as it will only insulate the heat and create an unseen danger for visitors and wildlife.**
- Grill/Stove fire coals must be extinguished and disposed of in specifically marked receptacles provided by the park.

### (c) Fire danger closures will be in effect as noted:

Fire danger closures will be in effect when fire danger rating is high, very high, or extreme:

- During very hot, dry weather conditions, "Spare the Air" days, strong winds, and extreme fire danger days or by order of the Superintendent, campfires and beach fires shall not be allowed anywhere in the park. All beach fire permits will become null and void.

- NOTE: Liquid fuel stoves are exempt from these closures. Park provided grills and portable charcoal stoves may be used when fire danger is high, but are not permitted when fire danger is very high or extreme. Visitors may call the park communication center (415-561-5510) to check on current conditions.

*Past events have demonstrated that the park experiences periods of increased fire danger, which require aggressive fire management. The purposes of these restrictions is to reduce human health hazards from a high level of air pollution, or the possibility of an uncontrolled wildfire and are in effect to protect the natural and cultural resources of the park, and the recreational enjoyment by other visitors.*

**NOTE:** No fires are allowed at Muir Woods National Monument under any condition, Special Regulation 36 CFR 7.6

**36 CFR §2.15 – PETS <http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/pets.htm>**

**(a)(1) The following structures and/or areas are CLOSED to pets by the Superintendent:**

All park buildings and facilities, including outdoor restrooms and public showers.

Marin County

IN THE FORT BAKER AREA

- Chapel Trail
- Fort Baker Pier

IN THE MARIN HEADLANDS AREA

- Alta Trail (only between Oakwood Valley Trail intersection and Wolfback Ridge Road)
- Bicentennial Campground
- Bobcat Trail
- Coyote Ridge Trail
- Dias Ridge
- Fort Baker Pier
- Fox Trail
- Green Gulch Trail
- Hawk Campground and Trail
- Haypress Campground and Trail
- Kirby Cove area
- Lower Fisherman Trail & Beach
- Marincello Road
- Middle Green Gulch Trail
- Miwok Cutoff Trail
- Miwok Trail, between Wolf Ridge and Bobcat Trail
- Morning Sun Trail
- Old Springs Trail
- Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail
- Rodeo Avenue Trail
- Rodeo Beach Lagoon
- Rodeo Lake
- Rodeo Valley Trail
- SCA Trail
- Slacker Hill Trail
- Tennessee Valley Beach
- Tennessee Valley Trail from Parking Lot to Beach
- Upper Fisherman Trail & Beach

IN THE MUIR BEACH AREA

- Big Lagoon

- Owl Trail
  - Redwood Creek
- MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT AREA
- Muir Woods National Monument
  - Redwood Creek Trail
- IN THE STINSON BEACH AREA
- Coast Trail
  - Dipsea Trail
  - Matt Davis Trail
  - McKennan Trail
  - Willow Camp Fire Road
  - Stinson Beach (beach only).

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- IN THE CRISSY FIELD AREA
- Crissy Field Tidal Marsh and Lagoon
- IN THE UPPER FORT MASON AREA
- Community Garden
- IN THE FORT FUNSTON AREA
- Fort Funston Habitat Protection Area (Attachment)
  - Coastal Trail, intersection of Horse Trail to Great Highway, closed due to erosion.
- IN THE FORT POINT AREA
- Fort Point (inside historic fort)
  - Fort Point pier (Torpedo Wharf)
- IN THE PRESIDIO AREA A
- Battery to Bluffs Trail
  - China Beach
  - Lobos Creek
  - Marshall Beach

San Mateo County

- Phlegar Estate
- SWEENEY RIDGE AREA (Exhibit #14)
- Notch Trail

The above prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to:

- Emergency search and rescue missions or training exercises
- Law enforcement patrol or bomb dogs
- Service Animals as defined by 28 CFR part 35 section 34.104 and accompanying an individual with a Disability as define by 43 CFR Part 17.503. (NOTE: Crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of the definition of Service Animal but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statue.)

*These restrictions are for the purpose of the protection of irreplaceable natural resources. These areas provide vital habitat for marine life, shorebirds and large concentrations of water birds. Consistent with public health and safety, the protection of natural and cultural resources, and avoidance of conflict among visitor use activities, pets must be restricted. Pets are not considered compatible with the broad park goal of minimal resource impact or inherently suitable for adapting quickly to a strange environment often involving close association with strange persons or animals. It is recognized that many park visitors have pets and they are permitted where they do not jeopardize basic park values. This restriction on pets will provide*

important areas of reduced disturbance for resting and feeding water and shorebirds and other marine wildlife.

**(a)(3) Pets may be left tied to an object under the following conditions:**

- Pets may be tied and left unattended using the bollards at the Warming Hut at Crissy Field
- Pets will not be left unattended in areas or in circumstances that they will create a nuisance to other visitors or cause disturbance to wildlife.
- Pets will not be left in areas where food, water, shade, ventilation and other basic needs are inadequate.

*This requirement is intended to ensure pets do not harass wildlife or disturb park visitors and also to ensure pets are properly cared for in the park.*

**(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:**

- In all areas of the park pet excrement shall be removed immediately from the park or deposited in a refuse container by the person(s) controlling the pet(s).

**(e) Pets may be kept by park residents under the following conditions:**

- Pets may be kept by permanent residents of park areas consistent with provisions of this section, the Compendium and in accordance with Golden Gate National Recreation Area Housing Management Plan.

**36 CFR §2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS**

**(a) The use of horses or pack animals is permitted on the following trails, routes or areas:**

Marin County

MARIN HEADLANDS

- Alta Trail
- Bobcat Trail
- Bunker Road
- Coastal Fire Road
- Coastal Trail:
  - McCullough Rd. to Slacker Hill (vista point only)
  - Julian Fire Road (McCullough to Rifle Range)
  - From Visitor Center to Rodeo Beach.
- Countyview Road
- Coyote Ridge Trail
- Conzelman Road
- Dias Ridge Trail
- Field Road
- Fox Trail
- Green Gulch Trail
- Haypress Campground and Trail
- Hawk Camp and Trail
- Marincello Fire Road
- Miwok Trail
- Miwok Connector Trail (across from Rifle Range) to be constructed 2011
- Oakwood Valley Road
- Old Springs Trail
- Rodeo Valley Connector Trail (off Bunker Road) to be constructed 2011
- Rodeo Avenue: US 101 to Alta Avenue
- Rodeo Beach

- Rodeo Valley Trail
- Smith Road
- Tennessee Valley Fire Road and Trail (except lower valley trail)

#### MT. TAMALPAIS AREA

- Coastal Trail-Bob Cook between apple orchard and Bolinas Ridge Trail
- Bolinas Ridge Trail
- Dipsea (Deer Park Fire Road)
- McKennan Trail
- Muir Beach Area
- Willow Camp Fire Road

#### San Francisco

- Ocean Beach
- Fort Funston
- Fort Funston Beach

#### San Mateo

- Milagra Ridge (except Summit Trail)
- Mori Point
  - Old Mori Road
  - Upper Mori Trail
  - Lishumsha Trail
  - Coastal Trail
- Phleger Estate
- Sweeney Ridge, except Notch Trail

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users.*

### 36 CFR §2.20 – SKATING, SKATEBOARDS and SIMILAR DEVICES

#### Marin County

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Marin Headlands
  - Conzlemen Road
  - McCullough Road
  - Field Road
  - Marine Mammal Center
  - Muir Woods National Monument
  - Nike Missile Site
  - Rodeo Beach parking lot
  - On any historic military coastal defense battery, emplacement or structure
  - Stairs, walkways, benches, sea walls, seat walls, railings, ramps or curbs.

#### San Francisco

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Alcatraz Island
- Fort Point National Historic Site (inside Fort)
- Fort Miley (East & West)

- Land's End
  - Paved sidewalks
  - Merrie Way Parking Lot
  - Navy Memorial Overlook
- On any historic military coastal defense battery, emplacement or structure
- Stairs, walkways, benches, sea walls, seat walls, railings, ramps or curbs.

#### San Mateo

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Sweeney Ridge
  - Historic Buildings and Bunkers
- Milagra Ridge
  - Historic Bunkers
- Mori Point
  - Historic Bunkers

All Extreme skateboarding, e.g. mountain boarding, roll surfing, dirt surfing or sport-sailing is prohibited.

The use of any purpose-built vehicle powered by a traction kite (power kite) e.g. Kite buggy, Land surfing or Land sailing are prohibited.

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users, protect natural, cultural and archeological resources, and for public safety concerns. Power kiting and extreme boarding of any type can allow passage across most every type of terrain and at greater speeds powered by the wind and therefore subject to its own levels and degrees of danger. In consideration of the increased potential for resource damage, threat to wildlife and the health and safety of visitors these activities are prohibited.*

### 36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING

#### (a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking:

- All smoking within the Concession facilities providing food service will comply with all local and State ordinances and regulations.
- Smoking is allowed at designated employee break areas in the park, including Muir Woods National Monument and Alcatraz Island.
- Smoking is prohibited on or at:
  - All government buildings/facilities/vehicles (excluding residences and designated smoking areas).
  - All park partner/tenant facilities (excluding residences and designated smoking areas).
  - Alcatraz Island, except in the designated dock area.
  - Fort Point NHS (within the historic fort)
  - Muir Woods National Monument, except parking areas only. NOTE: During extreme fire danger periods' public smoking is entirely prohibited throughout the Monument (including parking areas). NOTE: Employees may still smoke in designated break areas during extreme fire danger, but must be extra cautious.
- When fire danger is extreme, smoking is prohibited on all trails within all areas of Golden Gate NRA.

*These restrictions are intended to protect park resources, reduce the risk of fire and prevent conflicts among visitor use activities.*



**36 CFR §2.23 – RECREATION FEES <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/feesandreservations.htm>**

**(b) Recreation fees, and/or a permit, in accordance with 36 CFR part 71, are established for the following entrance fee areas, and/or for the use of the following specialized sites, facilities, equipment or services, or for participation in the following group activity, recreation events or specialized recreation uses:**

**Entrance Fee Areas:**

Muir Woods National Monument

- Individuals 16 years of age and older: \$7.00 per day, under 16 is free.
- Local Passport is good for 12 months and admits pass holder and all accompanying passengers in a private vehicle for an annual fee of \$20.00.
- Interagency senior, access, and annual pass – admission free with pass in possession and applies to all vehicle occupants.

Alcatraz Island

- Tickets must be purchased through contract ferry service, Alcatraz Cruises.  
<http://www.alcatrazcruises.com/>.

**Expanded Amenity Fee (Such as but not limited to parking fees in designated parking lots)**

- Battery East Parking – \$1d/hr or \$6d/day between the hours of 10am – 5pm (except Federally observed holidays)
- West Bluff Parking – Monday thru Friday 3-hour parking limit. Saturday and Sunday \$1d/hr or \$6d/day, between the hours of 10am – 5pm (except Federally observed holidays)

**Special Recreation Permit Fee (Such as but not limited to group activities, recreation and special events or ceremonies):**

Activities that require a special use permit: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>

- Festivals, Concerts, Athletic Events and Commercial Filming.
- Weddings and ceremonies
- Use of conference centers & reception facilities
  - Alcatraz Island
  - Fort Mason Chapel

Fort Mason Officer's Club (managed by Next Course)

**NOTE: Outdoor ceremonies only at the first-come, first-served picnic sites at Battery Wallace and the West Bluff picnic area that meet all the qualifications of a picnic for under 50 people and do not have any equipment except that associated with the picnic (i.e. no stage, no band, no rice thrown, no catering, etc.) do not need a permit. Please look at the links for details about regulations, including a list of prohibited flowers.**

*The authority to require a permit under this section is provided in §71.2. Examples of specialized recreation uses might be: foot or bicycle races, festivals, filming, etc.*

**36 CFR §2.35 –ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

**(a)(3)(i) The following public use areas, portions of public use areas, and/or public facilities within the park are closed to consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or to the possession of a bottle, can or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or has been opened, or whose seal has been broken or the contents of which have been partially removed, except under special use permit:**

Marin County

- Muir Woods National Monument

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- Kegs are prohibited in Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow
- Fort Point National Historic Site (inside the Fort)
- Navy Memorial Parking
- Merrie Way Parking Lot and Sidewalks
- Sutro Baths
- Ocean Beach, including Walkways and Seawall.

*Special prohibitions at Ocean Beach, Sutro Baths, Merrie Way, Navy Memorial, and the Great Meadow are required due to the history of aberrant behavior directly attributed to the use of alcohol which has led to assaults, unruly crowds, disorderly conduct, and vandalism to both public and private property. Prohibition at Fort Point NHS, Muir Woods NM and Alcatraz Island is intended to reduce conflict between users and enhance visitor safety.*

### **36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION**

**(b) A permit for disposition of cremated remains is required. Permits will be issued for pre-designated areas only. In addition to specific site conditions, the following general terms and conditions apply to all permit applications:**

Permit conditions:

- A permit for disposition shall be issued under this section only upon the signed acknowledgement by the person making application that resource protection laws apply to the disposition and that the permit gives no right of unrestricted access to park lands or that remains should remain undisturbed for perpetuity.
- All applicable California State laws for disposition of cremated remains apply.
- Remains to be scattered must have been cremated and pulverized.
- The scattering of remains by persons on the ground is to be performed at least 10 yards from any trail, road, developed facility, or 25 yards from any interior body of water.
- Scattering shall be distributed in general areas so as not to create a memorial or resource damage.
- The scattering of remains from the air is to be performed at a minimum altitude of 2000 feet above the ground.
- No scattering of remains from the air is to be performed over developed areas, facilities, or inland bodies of water.
- The scattering of remains is prohibited from any bridge, pier, in lake, lagoon or stream, and along beaches.
- The scattering of remains is **prohibited within Muir Woods National Monument.**

## **PART 3 – BOATING AND WATER USE ACTIVITIES**

### **36 CFR §3.8 – PROHIBITED OPERATIONS**

**(a)(2) The following areas/sites are designated for the launching or recovery of vessels using a trailer:**

- Horseshoe Cove, Fort Baker boat launch

**(d)(3) Vessels may not create a wake or exceed 5 mph in the following areas:**

- Horseshoe Cove, Fort Baker

*Prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to US Army Corp of Engineer operations or U.S. Coast Guard or other emergency search and rescue missions.*

### 36 CFR §3.16 –May I swim or wade in park waters?

#### (a) The following areas are closed to swimming and bathing:

##### Marin Headlands

- Rodeo Lagoon and seasonal inlet
- Rodeo Lake
- Tennessee Valley pond (next to beach)
- Muir Beach (All water bodies, including Redwood Creek, lagoon, and other features)

##### Mt. Tamalpais Area

- Muir Woods National Monument, Redwood Creek (Muir Woods to Ocean)
- Muir Beach Big Lagoon and seasonal inlet

##### San Francisco

- Lobos Creek, Baker Beach Presidio
- Crissy Marsh, south of inlet bridge

##### San Mateo

- Mori Point ponds, Mori Point

*The Endangered Species Act and the Organic Act require special protection from the threatened and endangered species and the anadromous fish found in these areas. In addition, this use is not compatible with the protection of wildlife found in and on these waters, or the protection of drinking water quality. This is designed to minimize shoreline erosion at the designated sites and protection of visitor and their pets from occasional poor water quality conditions.*

### 36 CFR §3.17 –What regulations apply to swimming areas and beaches?

(a) Stinson Beach is designated as a swimming beach.

(b) Surfing: Restricted at Stinson Beach, including Kite surfing and kite boarding, when swimmers are present, and allowed only in areas designated as "Non Swimming Areas" and only at such times as are deemed safe by the Supervisory Ranger or by his/her representative

(c) The use of flotation devices, glass containers, kites, or incompatible sporting activities is not permitted on the following swimming beaches:

- Stinson Beach
  - Flotation devices (inner tubes, air mattresses, boats, rafts, etc.)
  - Glass containers
  - During periods of high visitation and limited open space, incompatible sporting activities such as ball games, kite flying, foot racing, Frisbee will be prohibited. When allowed during periods of lesser visitation, such activities may be restricted to a designated area.

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce conflict between users, the amount of injurious debris, and to protect the safety of the visiting public.*

## **PART 4 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

### 36 CFR §4.10 – TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND ROUTES

(a) Park roads, open for travel by motor vehicle are those indicated below, and/or as indicated in the following publication or document:

- Park maps and brochures can be found on <http://www.nps.gov/goga>.

**(b) The following routes and/or areas, designated pursuant to special regulations, are open for off-road vehicle travel under the terms and conditions noted:**

- Electric powered mobility assistance devices (e.g. electric scooters or Segway devices) only for the purpose of transporting persons with disabilities are permitted on park roadways and walkways.

The use of Segways and motorized scooters as a mobility assistive device, as outlined above, must also adhere to the following:

- (a) No person under 16 years of age may operate Segways, without adult supervision
- (b) A person shall operate any mobility assistive device in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed more than 12 miles per hour, so as not to endanger one's self or other park visitors.
- (c) A person riding any mobility assistive device on a sidewalk, while crossing a roadway in a crosswalk, entering or exiting an elevator, boarding a vessel, or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under CA VC § 467.  
<http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/vctop/d01/vc467.htm>

**36 CFR §4.11 – VEHICLE LOAD, WEIGHT and SIZE LIMITS**

(a) The following load, weight and size limits, which are more restrictive than State law, apply to the roads indicated under the terms and conditions, and/or under permit as noted:

Oversized vehicles (over 24 feet), buses, and vehicles with trailers are prohibited in the Marin Headlands on Conzelman road west of the McCullough road intersection and on Lower Conzelman road and parking lot adjacent to Golden Gate Bridge contingent with Project Headlands construction closures.

Vehicles longer than 35 feet are prohibited from entering Muir Woods NM.

Vehicles longer than 17 feet are prohibited from entering Muir Woods annex parking lot and Conlon Avenue parking area, Muir Beach parking lot and West Bluff Parking, Crissy Field.

Crissy Field East Beach – no vehicles over 24 feet, except school buses or other vehicles operated by nonprofit organizations supporting educational programs in NPS areas.

SEE PART 5 - BUSINESS OPERATIONS, Commercial Use Authorizations for specific conditions and size limits for vehicles on roads and parking lots.

*These size limits are due to the availability of turning radius' on these roads and parking lots in the designated areas. The steep grade of the one way section of Conzelman road prevents the use of oversized vehicles and weights to maintain the established speed limit.*

**36 CFR §4.21 – SPEED LIMITS**

**(b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:**

The maximum speed limit on paved park roads is 35 mph unless otherwise posted.

The maximum speed limit on graded park roads is 25 mph unless otherwise posted.

Old Mori Point Road is 10 mph with NPS escort vehicle only.

The speed limit for the **bicycles** in developed areas is 15 mph and 5 mph around blind curves on the following:

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- Great Meadow, Fort Mason
- Mason Avenue Bike Path on Sidewalk, Crissy Field
- Crissy Field Promenade
- McDowell Road, Fort Mason

NOTE: See §7.97(c) for bicycle speed limits in non-developed areas.

*Variations from the speed limit designations in the general regulations have been made where road conditions allow either a higher speed without jeopardizing public safety, or require a lower speed limit for public safety and to prevent road deterioration. Speed limit on Mori Point road to prevent mortality or injury of federally endangered snakes.*

### 36 CFR §4.30 – BICYCLES

#### (d)(3) WHERE CAN I RIDE A BICYCLE ABREAST OF ANOTHER RIDER?

##### San Francisco

- Crissy Field Promenade except during special use permit activities.

**NOTE:** Special regulations pertaining to the use, speed, and equipment associated with bicycles in non-developed areas in Golden Gate National Recreation Area are found in 36 CFR § 7.97(c) and were published in the Federal Register on December 11, 1992 (57 FR 58711).

### 36 CFR §4.31 – HITCHHIKING

Hitchhiking is permitted in the following areas:

##### Marin County

- Marin Headlands

*San Francisco Muni Public transportation to the Marin Headlands is available on Sundays only. The Baker/Barry tunnel is a one-way traffic controlled tunnel for motor vehicles with bicycle lanes in both directions, and therefore not appropriate to allow pedestrian traffic. By permitting hitchhiking in the Marin Headlands, those visitors without personal transportation visiting the Youth Hostel and other overnight camping facilities will not be forced into non-compliance with other applicable regulations.*

## **PART 5 – COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE OPERATIONS**

### 36 CFR §5.3 – BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Engaging in any business in the park, except in accordance with a permit is prohibited:

**COMMERCIAL CARRIERS:** Motor vehicles that have frequent use for commercial transportation service to areas administered by GGNRA are considered Commercial Carriers and subject to a Commercial Use Authorization issued by the Superintendent.  
<http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/businesswithpark.htm>

- See §4.11 of this compendium for vehicle load, weight and size limits.
- The following exceptions apply in which operators may use public roads within NPS areas without a Commercial Use Authorization: taxis; school buses and vehicles operated by nonprofit organizations supporting educational programs in NPS areas; delivery, vendor or contractor vehicles; and MUNI Transit providing public transportation.
- Idling Commercial Carriers for more than 30 seconds while loading, unloading or waiting for passengers is prohibited. Vehicle engines must remain off until all passengers have re-boarded and the vehicle is ready for departure.
- The following special conditions apply to the areas within GGNRA as noted:

#### MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT

Commercial Carriers are subject to restricted access and restricted parking at Muir Woods NM as follows:

- No more than 3 Commercial Carriers authorized under the same CUA (i.e. same company) are allowed in Muir Woods at the same time.

- Main Parking Lot: Commercial Carriers that are 17 feet in length or less are prohibited from parking in stalls designated for those greater than 17 feet in length. All designated parking for Commercial Carriers will be open to public parking after 4pm.
- Annex Parking Lot: No designated parking – Commercial Carriers are prohibited.
- Conlon Avenue Parking Area: Designated parking for Commercial Carriers 17 feet in length or less ONLY. Commercial Carriers longer than 17 feet in length are prohibited.
- Offloading and Loading: Commercial Carrier offloading and loading is permitted only in designated stalls in the Main Parking Lot.

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- The following roadways, pullouts and parking lots are available only to Commercial Carriers under 35 feet:
  - Battery Chamberlin Road, Baker Beach
  - West Bluff parking, Crissy Field
  - Langdon Court, Fort Scott Overlook

*The purpose of the designating which roadways are available for different lengths of buses is for the traffic safety and protection of roads and surfaces on roads or parking areas not designed to carry larger size vehicles or provide for safe passing & turn around. The purpose of restricting Commercial Carriers to three (3) per company, is to reduce congestion in the designated commercial carrier parking area and to continue providing a positive visitor experience overall.*

*The idling of bus engines adds unnecessary exhaust fumes to the air and diminishes the enjoyment by visitors of the peace and tranquility of the park. Due to the nature of the service provided by the shuttle busses, they are excluded from the requirement.*

#### COMMERCIAL DOG WALKING

The walking of four or more dogs, with the maximum of six, at one time by any one person for consideration (commercial dog walking) is prohibited within San Francisco and Marin County sites administered by Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA), unless:

- The person has been issued a current valid permit from GGNRA.
- The walking of four or more dogs, with a maximum of six, is done pursuant to the terms and conditions of that permit.
- Permit holders abide by all National Park Service regulations, including 36 CFR 2.15 (a), which requires that dogs be restrained by a leash no longer than 6 feet in sites that are not open to voice-control dog walking per the 1979 Pet Policy.
- The permit is visibly displayed, and produced for inspection upon request by an officer with law enforcement authority in areas administered by GGNRA.

## PART 7 – SPECIAL REGULATIONS

### 36 CFR § 7.6 No fires or fishing at Muir Woods National Monument

[http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr\\_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.6.htm](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.6.htm)

36 CFR § 7.97 [http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr\\_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.97.htm](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.97.htm)

**(a) BOAT LANDINGS ON ALCATRAZ ISLAND:** Boat landings--Alcatraz Island. Except in emergencies, the docking of any privately-owned vessel or the landing of any person at Alcatraz Island without a permit or contract is prohibited.

**(b) POWERLESS FLIGHT: The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight is allowed at the following locations pursuant to terms and conditions of a permit:**

Hang gliding launching and landing is permitted only within designated areas of Fort Funston. Paragliding launching and landing is permitted only within designated areas on the Olympic Club Easement (Fort Funston Stables) and at Mori Point. For more information on these permitted, contact the Business Management Division and/or visit the following websites: Fellow Feathers Hang Gliding ([www.flyfunston.org](http://www.flyfunston.org)) Bay Area Paragliding Association (<http://sfbapa.org>)

**(c)(1) DESIGNATED BICYCLE ROUTES:**

- The following routes in undeveloped areas are designated as open to bicycles:

**Marin County**

**MARIN HEADLANDS**

- Alta Trail between Spencer Ave and Marin City.
- Baker-Barry Tunnel
- Battery Smith-Guthrie Loop
- Bay Trail between Golden Gate Bridge and Sausalito.
- Bobcat Trail between Miwok Trail and Marincello Road.
- Rodeo Valley Trail between Capeheart Bridge and Bobcat Trail.
- Capehart and Smith Road Bridges connecting Bunker Road to Rodeo Valley Trail
- Bunker Road Extension (adjacent to the Roads & Trails Maintenance Yard to Battery Townsley)
- Coastal Trail from McCullough Road to Slacker Hill.
- Coastal Trail between Conzelman Road at McCullough and the Fort Barry Rifle Range at Bunker Road (Julian Fire Road).
- Coastal Trail between Rodeo Beach Parking and Hill 88.
- Coastal Trail between Tennessee Valley Trail and Coyote Ridge Trail.
- Coyote Ridge Trail between the Coastal Trail and Miwok Trail.
- Coyote Ridge Trail between the Fox Trail and the Coastal Trail at the Hack Site.
- Coastal Trail between Coyote Ridge Trail at the Hack Site and Muir Beach.
- Drown Road, Fort Baker
- Hawk Camp Trail between Bobcat Trail and Hawk Camp.
- Haypress Road between Tennessee Valley Road and Haypress Campground.
- Kirby Cove Road, between Conzelman and Kirby Cove Campground
- Marincello Road between Tennessee Valley Parking Area and Bobcat Trail.
- Miwok Trail between Rodeo Lagoon and Old Springs Trail
- Miwok Trail between Miwok Stable and Highway 1
- Oakwood Valley Road between Tennessee Valley Road and Oakwood Pond (Does not include Oakwood Valley Trail between Pond and Alta Avenue.)
- Old Springs Trail between Miwok Trail and Miwok Stable.
- Rodeo Avenue between US Highway 101 and Alta Avenue
- Marin Drive/Smith Road between Marinview and Miwok Trail
- Tennessee Valley Trail between Parking Lot and Tennessee Beach

**MUIR WOODS NM / MT. TAMALPAIS AREA**

- Deer Park Fire Road between Frank's Valley Road and Coastal Trail near Pan Toll (Major portion is in Mt. Tamalpais State Park.)
- Diaz Ridge Trail between Mt. Tamalpais State Park boundary and Highway 1 near Muir Beach.

**STINSON BEACH**

- Willow Camp Fire Road between Stinson Beach and Ridgecrest Boulevard. (Major portion is in Mt. Tamalpais State Park.)

**San Francisco**

**PRESIDIO**

- Coastal Trail, Baker Beach, except Battery to Bluffs Trail Section
- Coastal Trail, Fort Point, except Battery East trail

**LAND'S END**

- Coastal Trail, Land's End up to, but not including, hiking only portion.
- El Camino Del Mar Trail, Land's End

**FORT FUNSTON**

- Sunset Trail, Fort Funston

**San Mateo County**

**MORI POINT**

- Lishumsha Trail
- Old Mori Point Road

**MILAGRA RIDGE**

- Coastal Trail, Milagra Ridge
- Milagra Ridge Overlook Trail
- Milagra Ridge Trail

**SWEENEY RIDGE**

- Baquiano Trail
- Mori Ridge Trail
- Sweeney Ridge Trail, except Notch Trail portion

**(d) SNOWY PLOVER PROTECTION:**

In the Crissy Field Wildlife Protection Area and Ocean Beach Snowy Protection Area:  
Dogs are required to be on leash all year except from May 15 to July 1.



## COMPENDIUM EXHIBITS

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**Exhibit 1  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Fort Baker**

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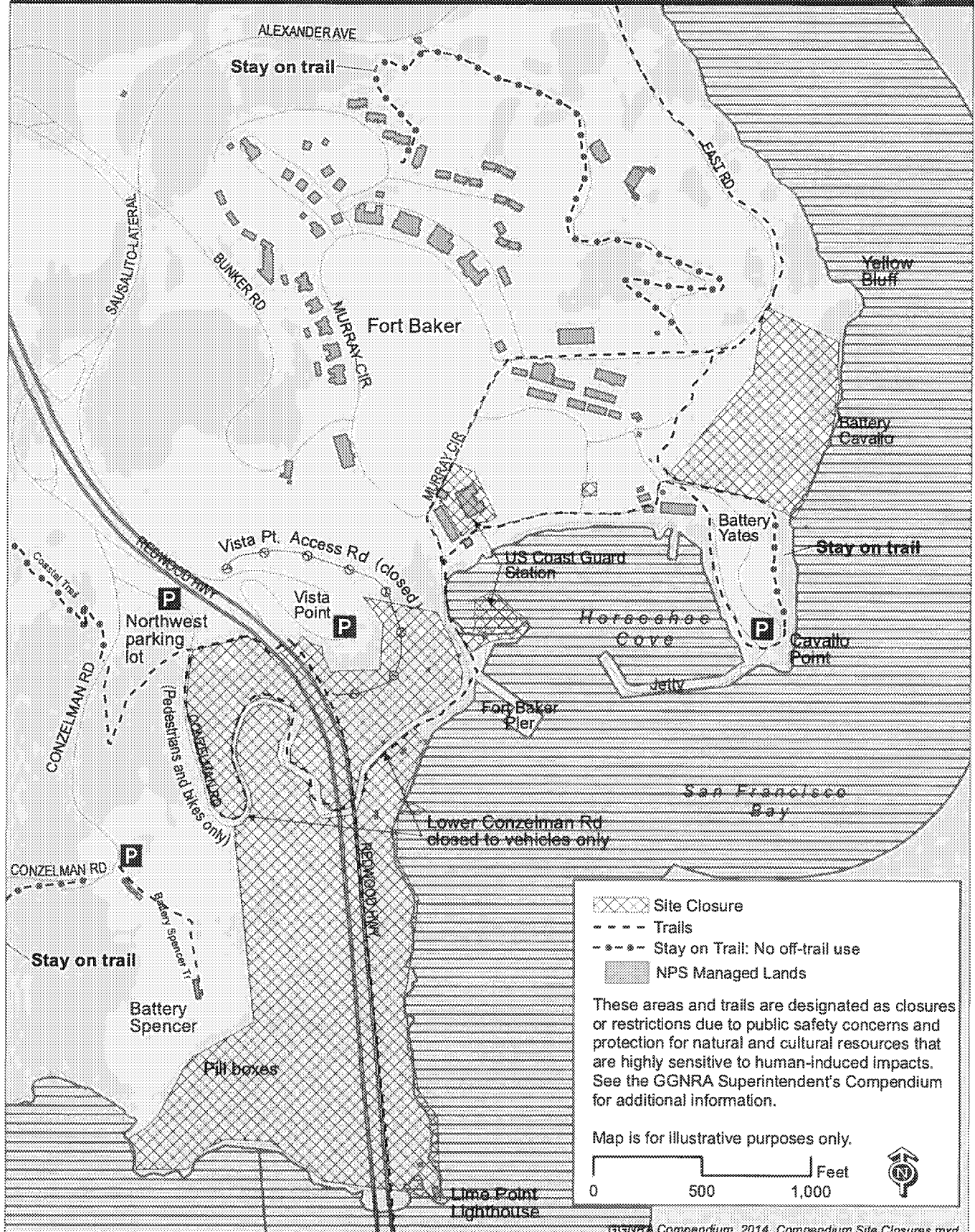
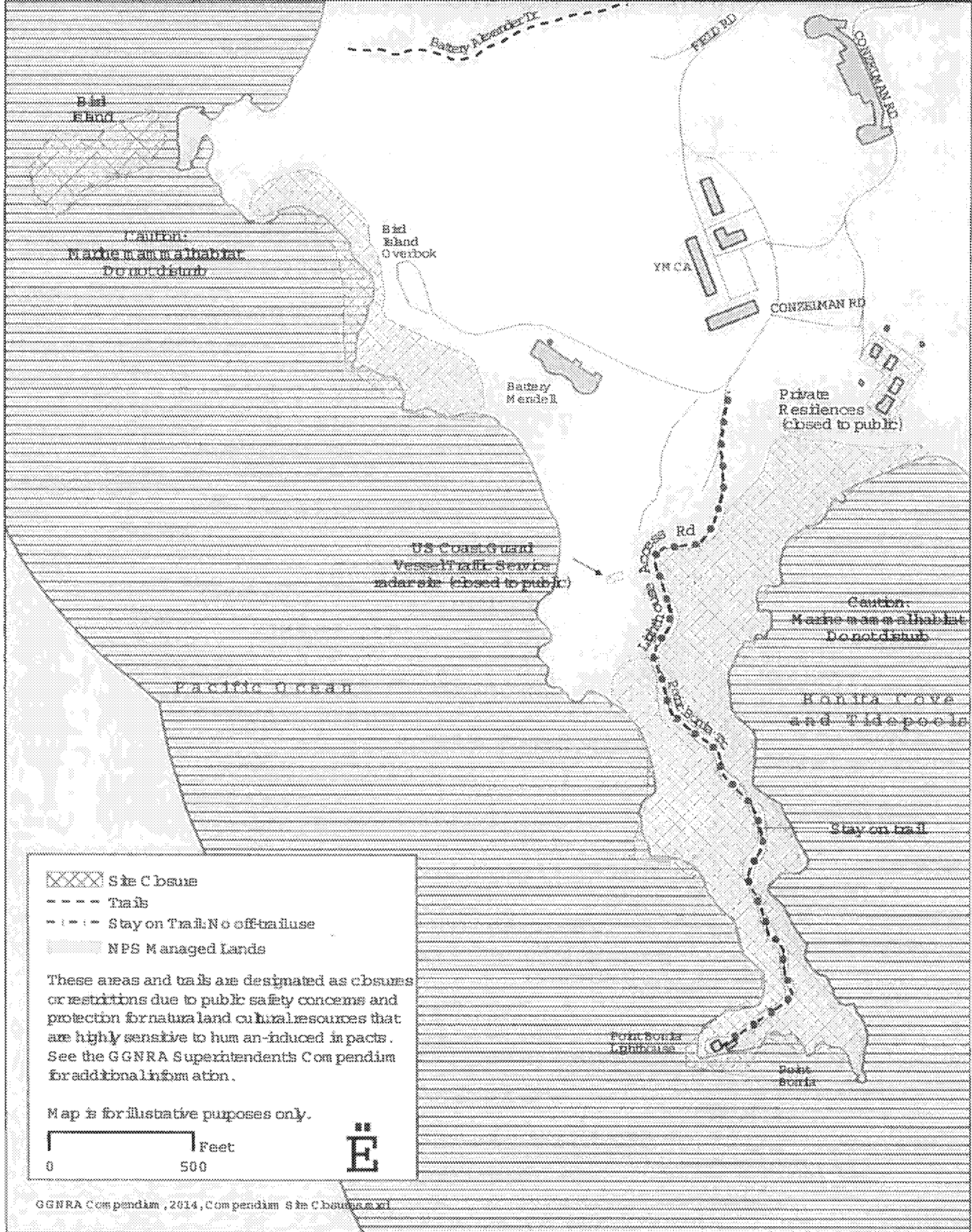


Exhibit 2  
 Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
 Point Bonita

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Site Closure  
 - - - - Trails  
 ····· Stay on Trail: No off-trail use  
 NPS Managed Lands

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Map is for illustrative purposes only.

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**Exhibit 3  
Bird Nesting Season Closure and Trail Restrictions  
Alcatraz Island**

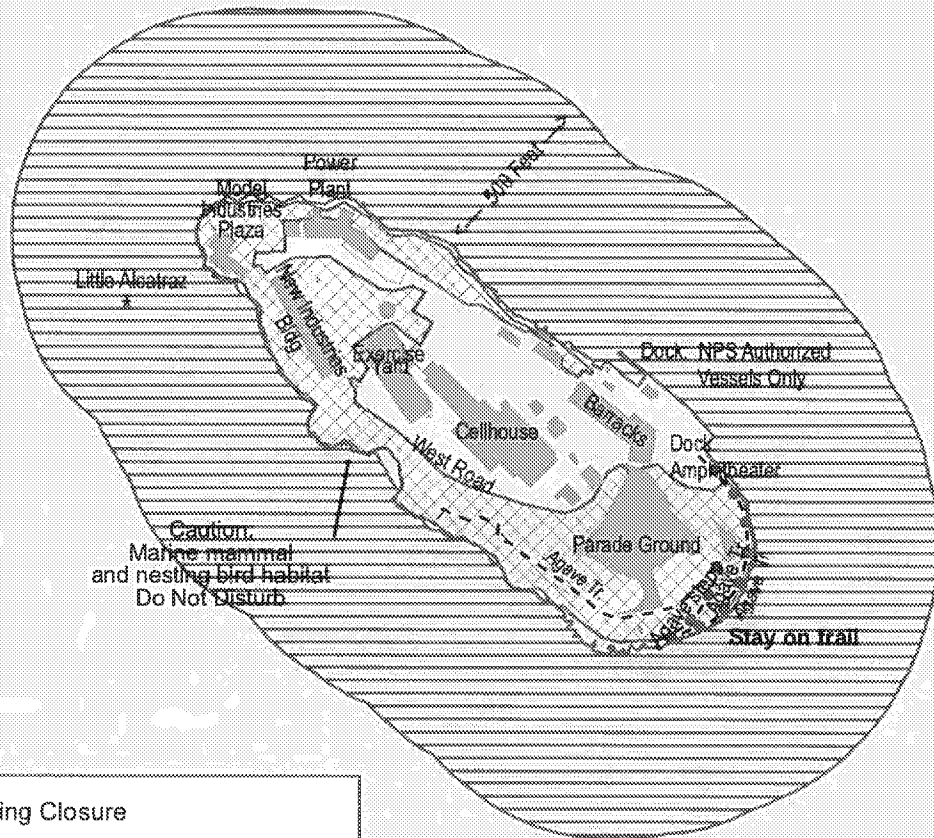
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San Francisco Bay

**No vessel landings permitted on Alcatraz Island**

**Caution: Alcatraz is marine mammal and nesting bird habitat  
Do not disturb wildlife**

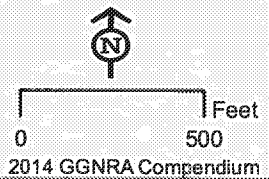


Bird Nesting Closure

Stay on Trail: No off-trail use

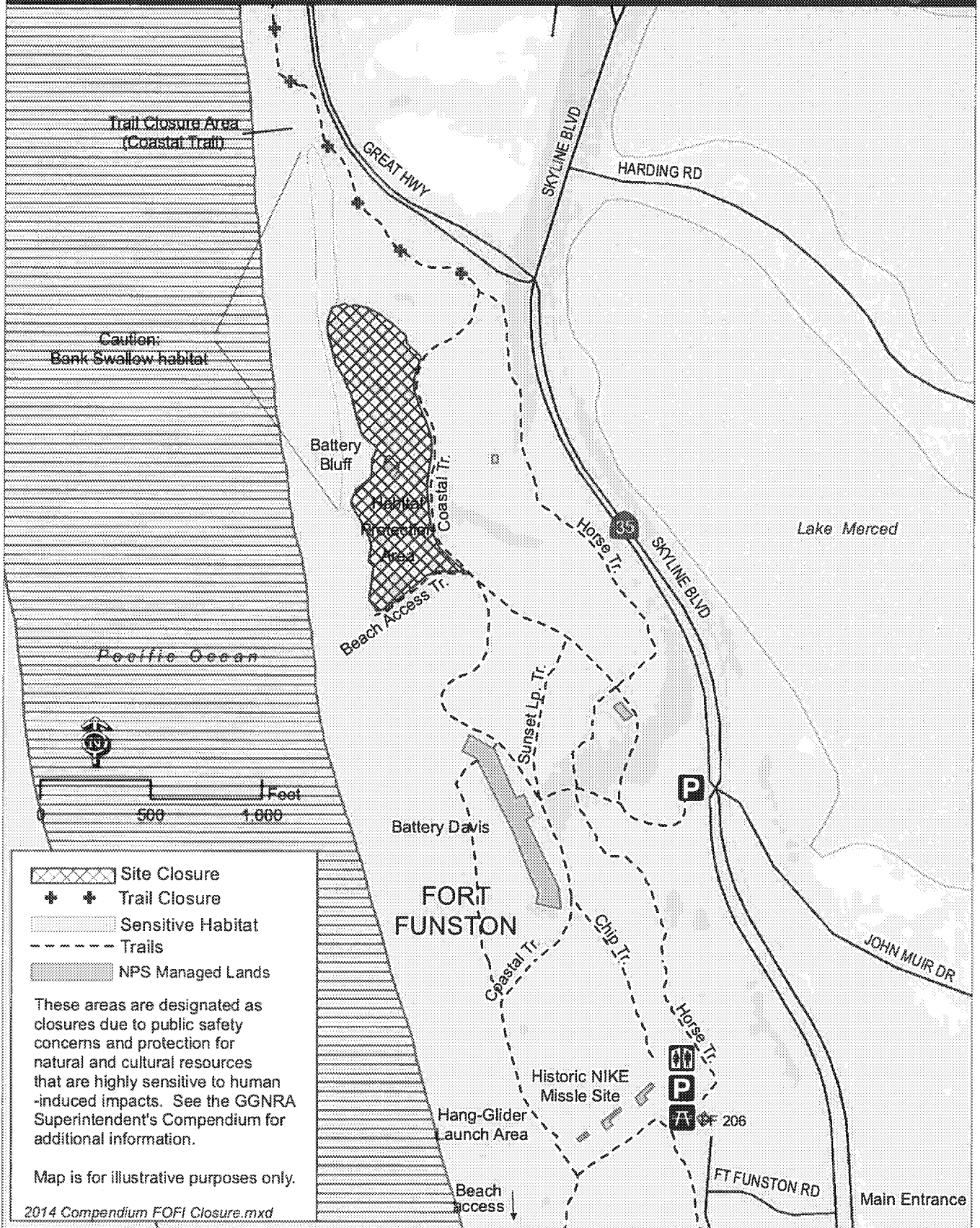
Public access may be restricted in this area during bird nesting season of approximately February 1 through September 15, or as determined by the park's wildlife specialist. Additional restrictions may occur throughout the year as needed to protect wildlife, cultural resources, and public safety. See the GGNRA Superintendent's Compendium for additional information.

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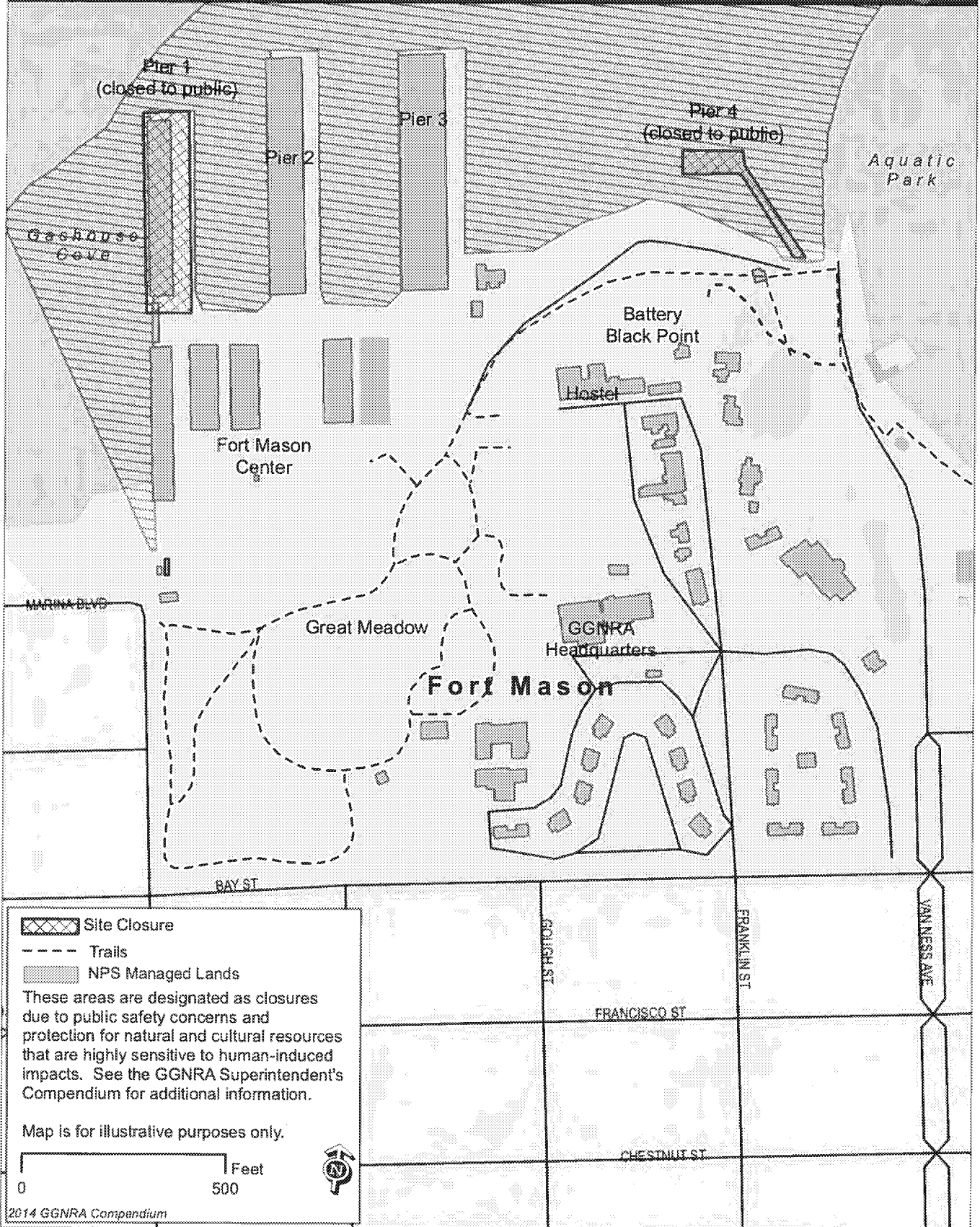
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Fort Funston**

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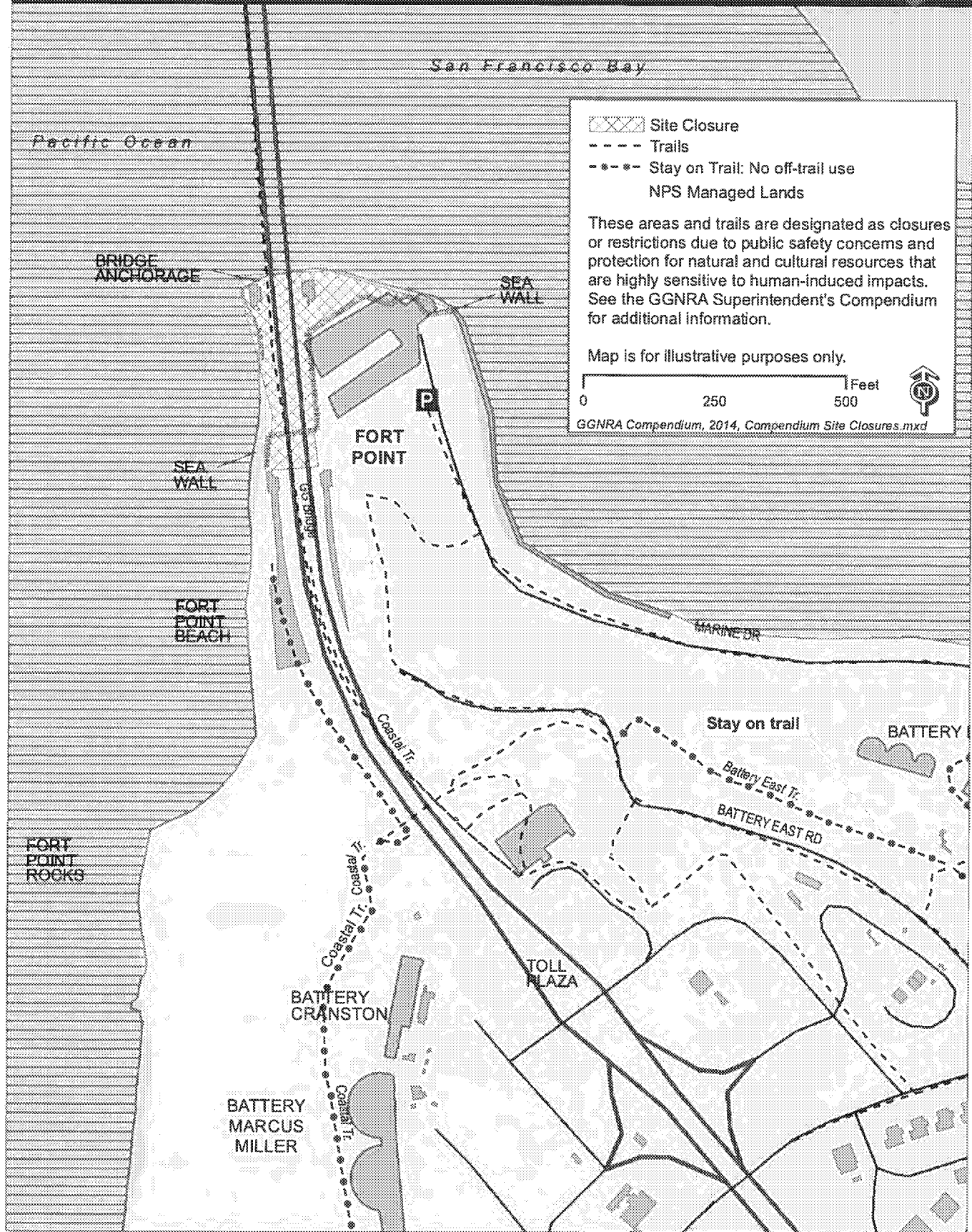
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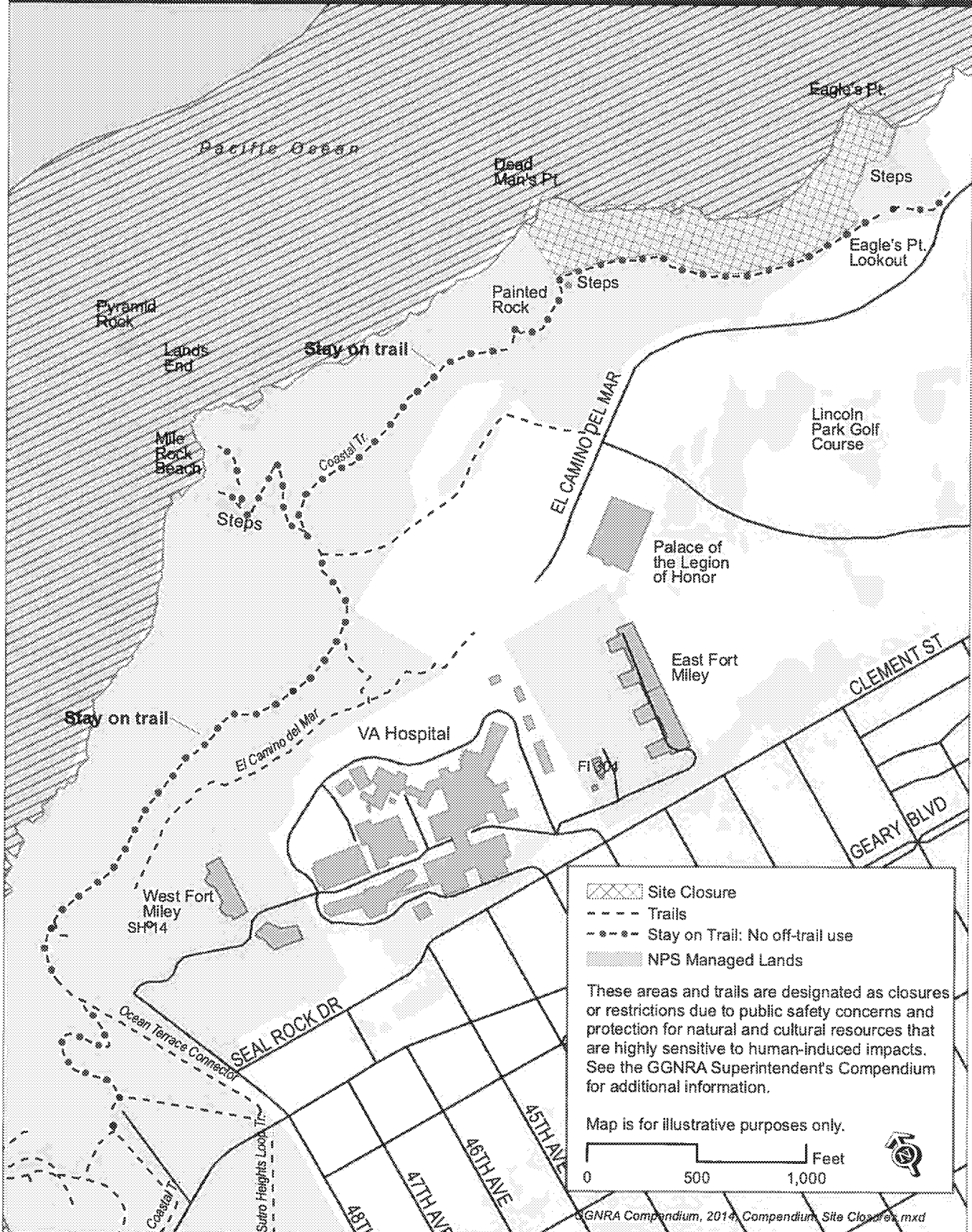
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Fort Point**

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**Exhibit 7  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Lands End**

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	Site Closure
	Trails
	Stay on Trail: No off-trail use
	NPS Managed Lands

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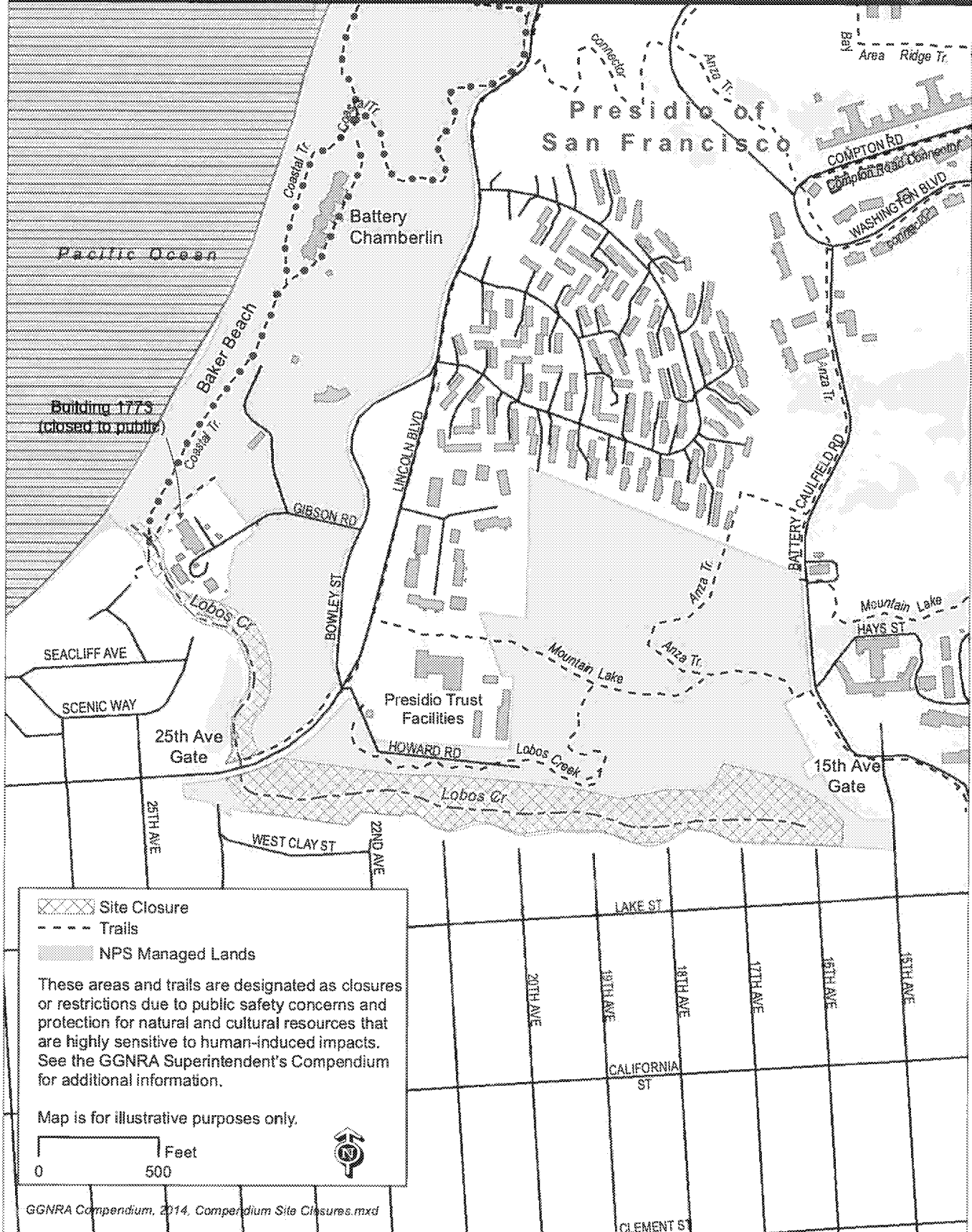
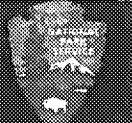
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**Exhibit 8  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Lobos Creek**

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Site Closure  
 Trails  
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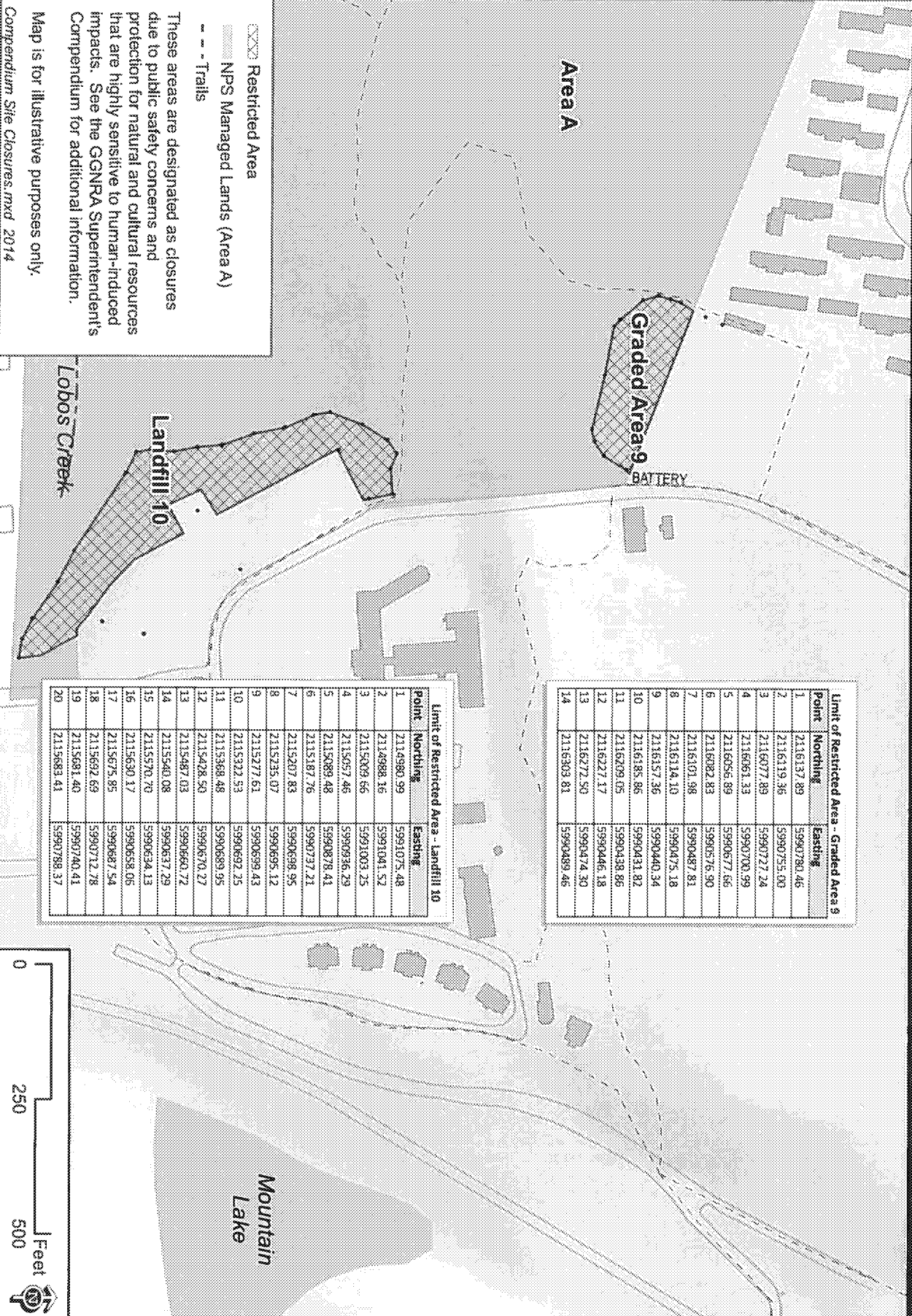
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**Exhibit 9**  
**Restrictions on Digging Due to Remediation**  
**Presidio of San Francisco**

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Limit of Restricted Area - Graded Area 9

Point	Northing	Easting
1	2116137.89	5990780.46
2	2116119.36	5990755.00
3	2116077.89	5990727.24
4	2116061.33	5990700.99
5	2116056.89	5990677.66
6	2116082.83	5990576.90
7	2116101.98	5990487.81
8	2116114.10	5990475.18
9	2116157.36	5990440.34
10	2116185.86	5990431.82
11	2116209.05	5990438.86
12	2116227.17	5990446.18
13	2116272.90	5990474.30
14	2116303.81	5990489.46

Limit of Restricted Area - Landfill 10

Point	Northing	Easting
1	2116980.99	5991075.48
2	2116988.16	5991041.52
3	2116839.66	5991003.25
4	2115957.46	5990936.29
5	2115289.48	5990878.41
6	2115187.76	5990737.21
7	2115207.83	5990698.95
8	2115235.07	5990695.12
9	2115277.61	5990699.43
10	2115322.93	5990697.75
11	2115368.48	5990699.95
12	2115428.90	5990730.27
13	2115487.03	5990660.72
14	2115540.08	5990637.29
15	2115570.79	5990634.13
16	2115630.17	5990658.05
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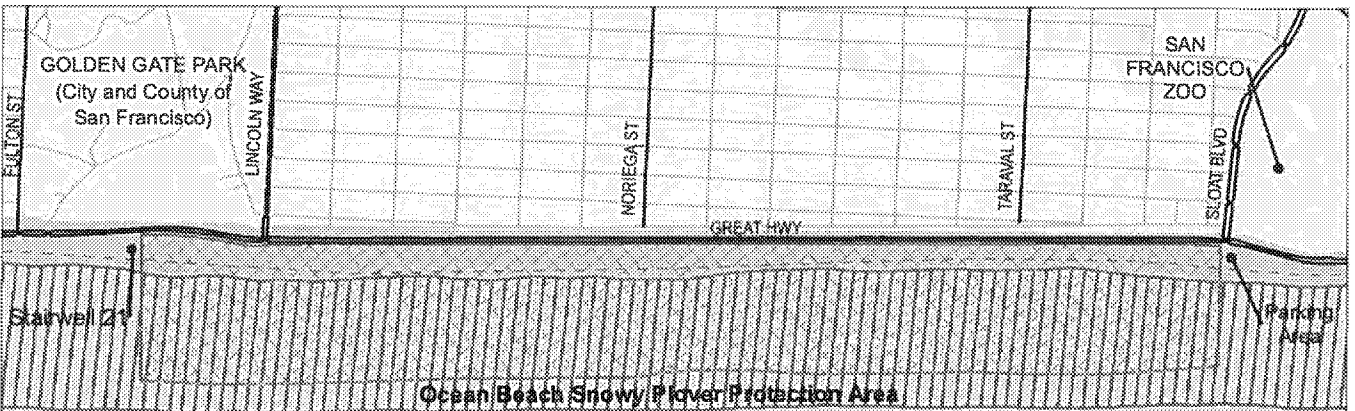
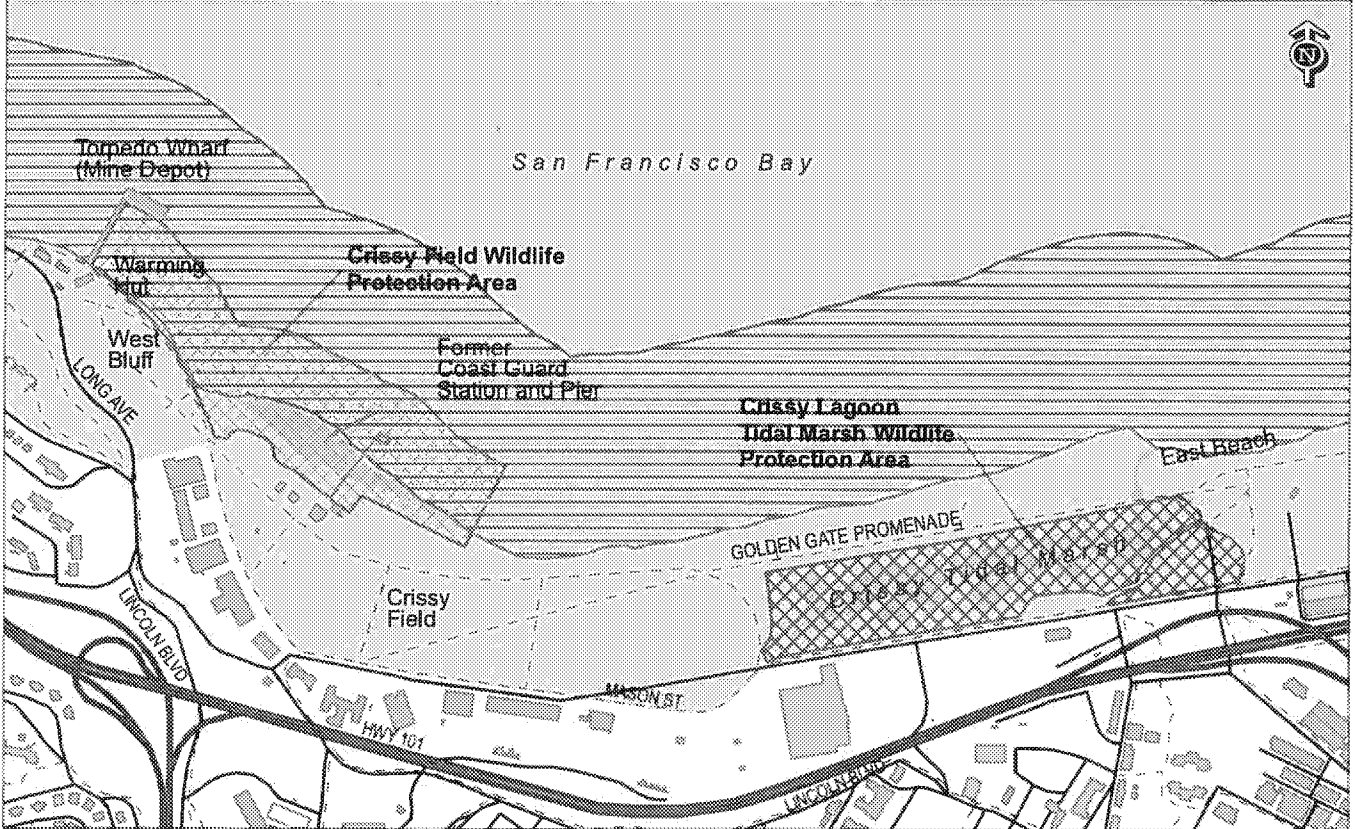
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 Trails

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**Exhibit 10A  
Wildlife Protection Areas  
Crissy Field and Ocean Beach**

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Seasonal Leash Restrictions  
(On Leash Except May 15th - July 1st)

Trails

NPS Managed Lands

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Pacific Ocean

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**Exhibit #11A**  
**1979 Pet Policy and Amending Restrictions**  
**San Francisco**

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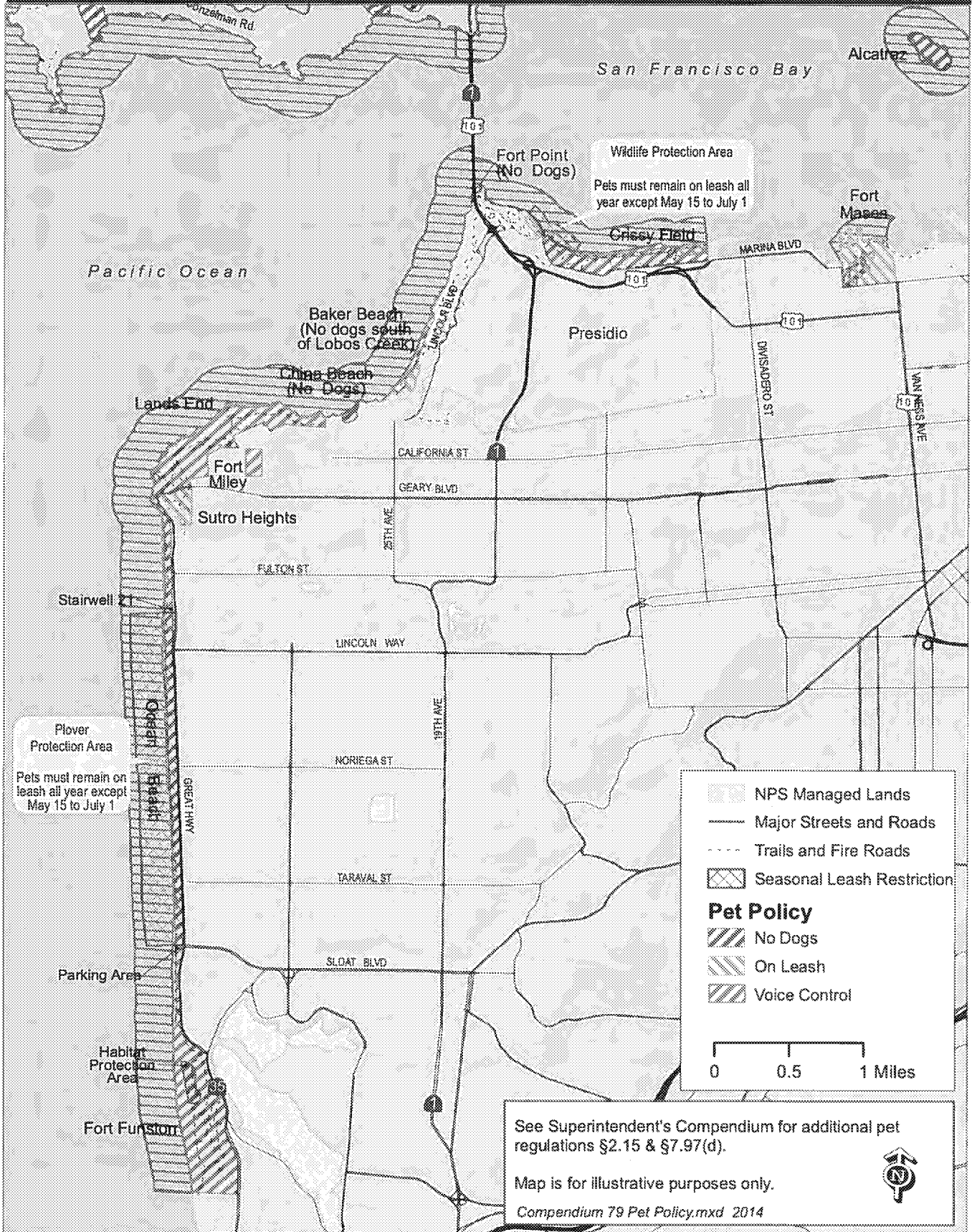
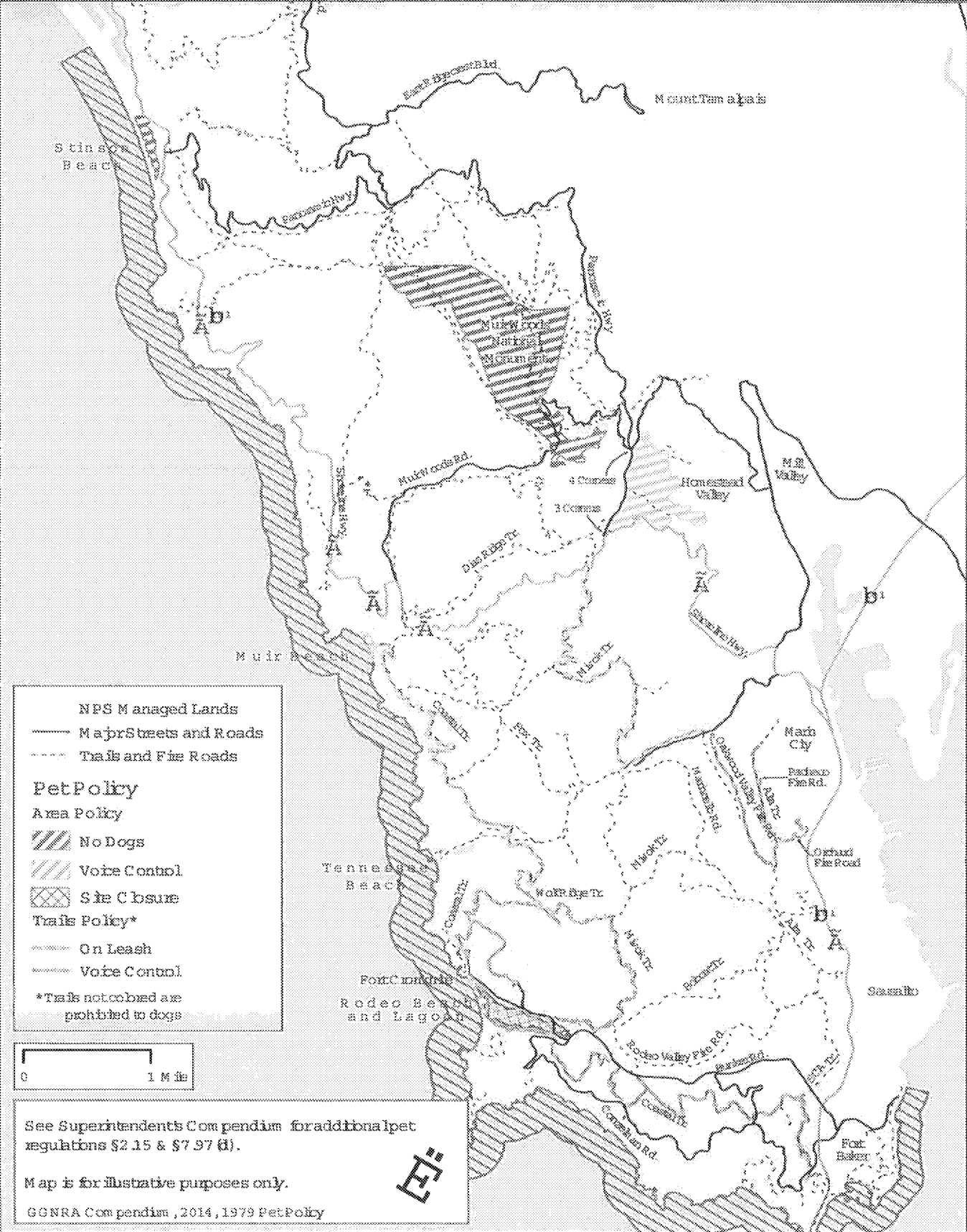


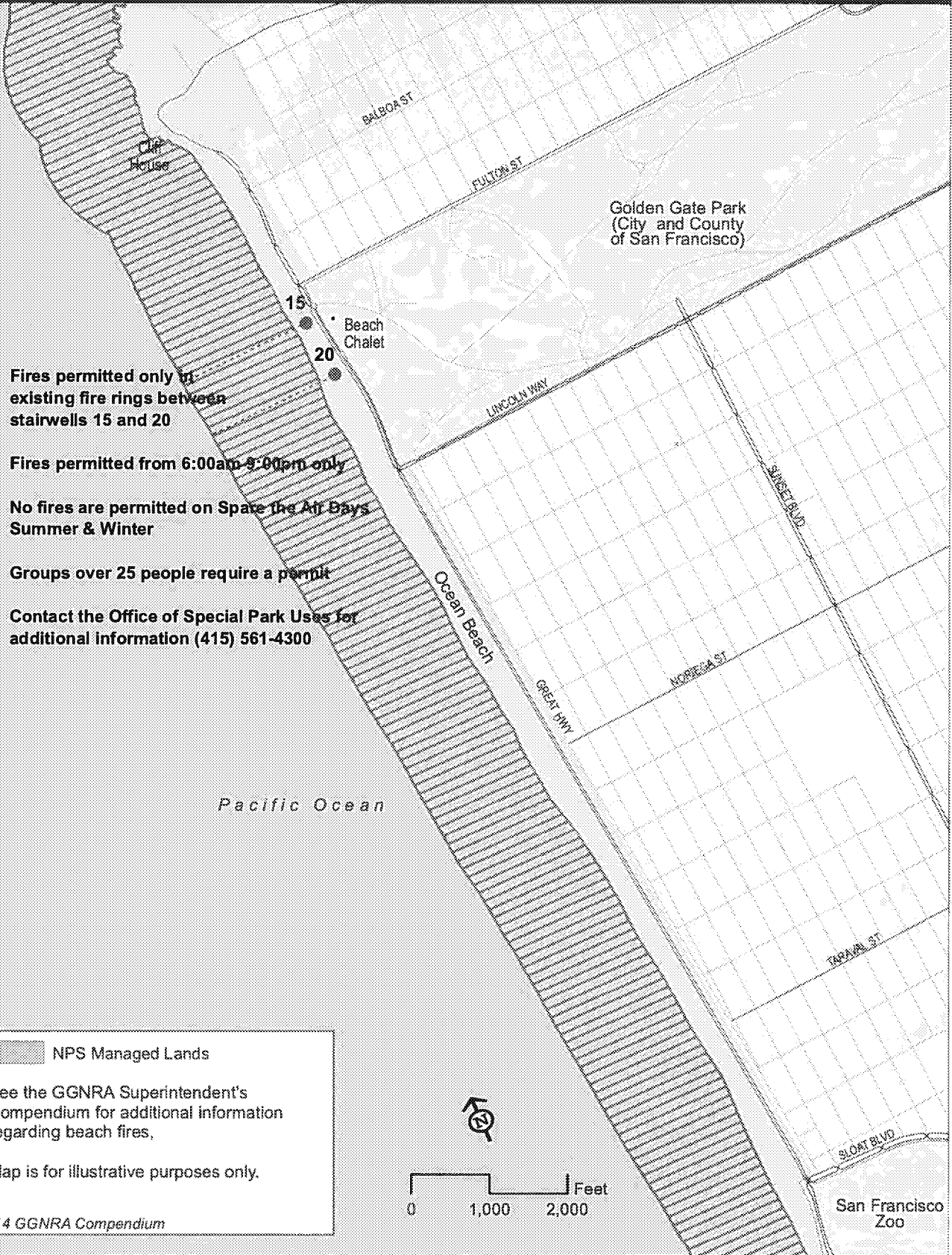
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 1979 Pet Policy  
 Marin County

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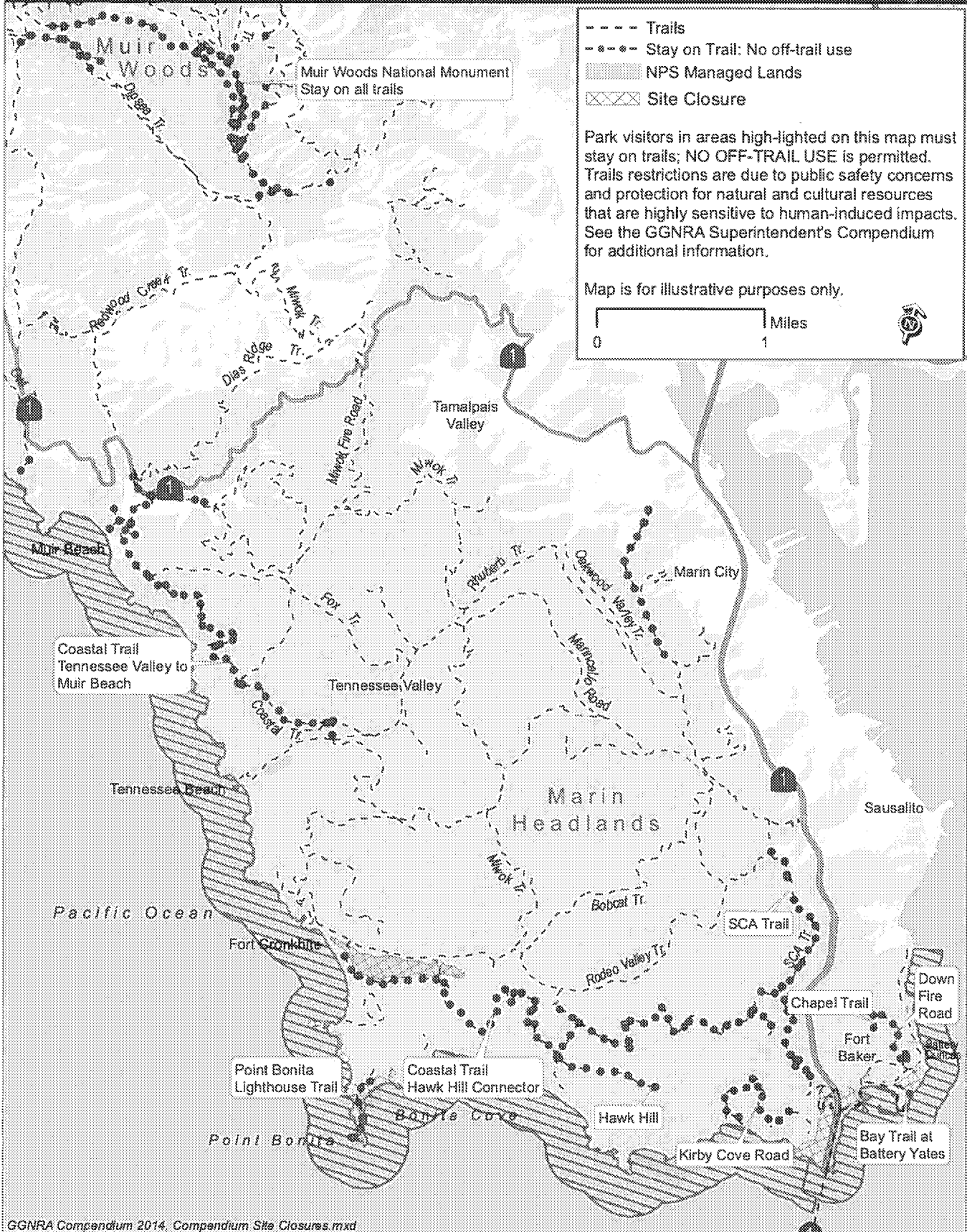
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Permitted Beach Fire Area  
Ocean Beach**

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**Exhibit 13A  
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Marin County**

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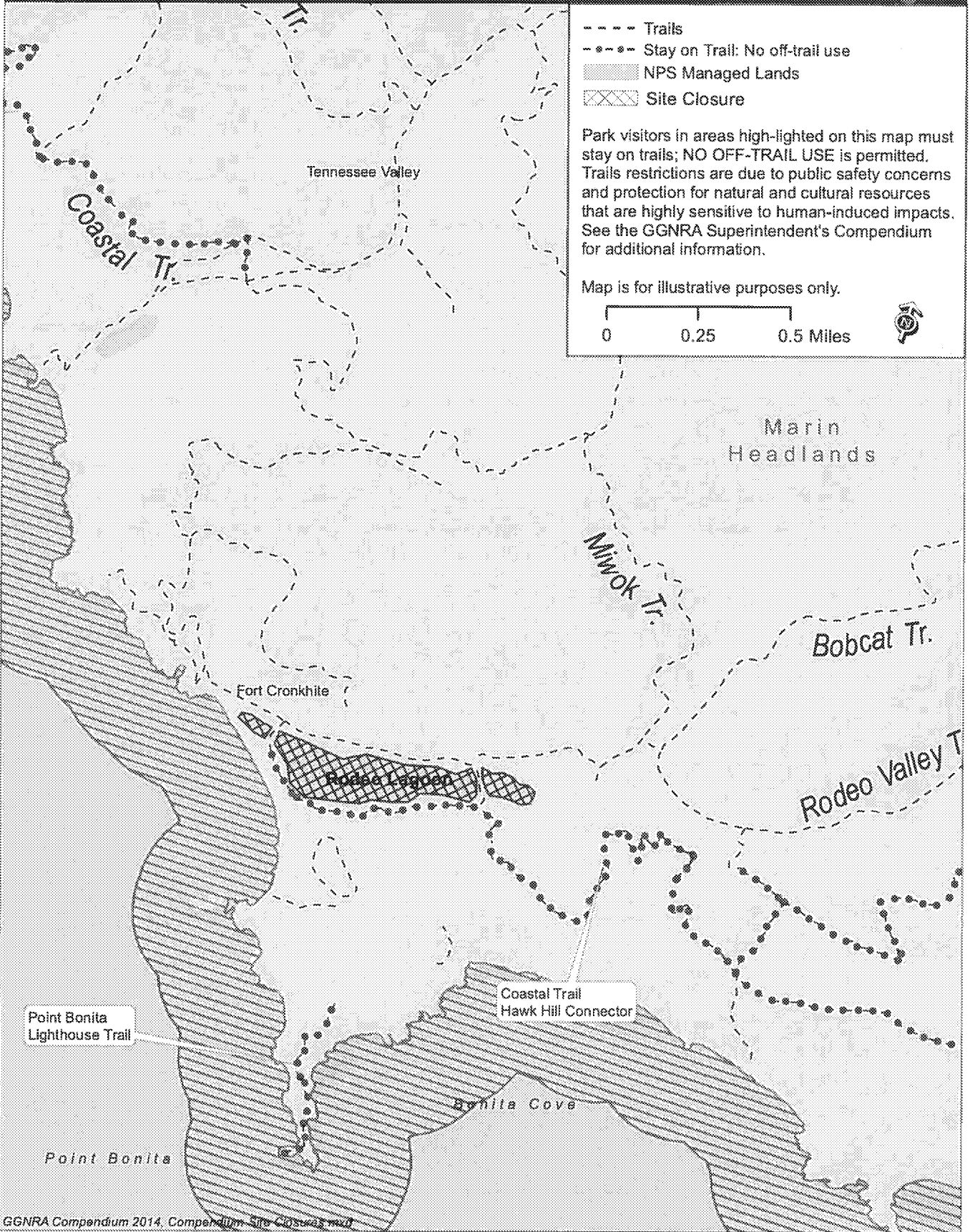


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**Exhibit 13B  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
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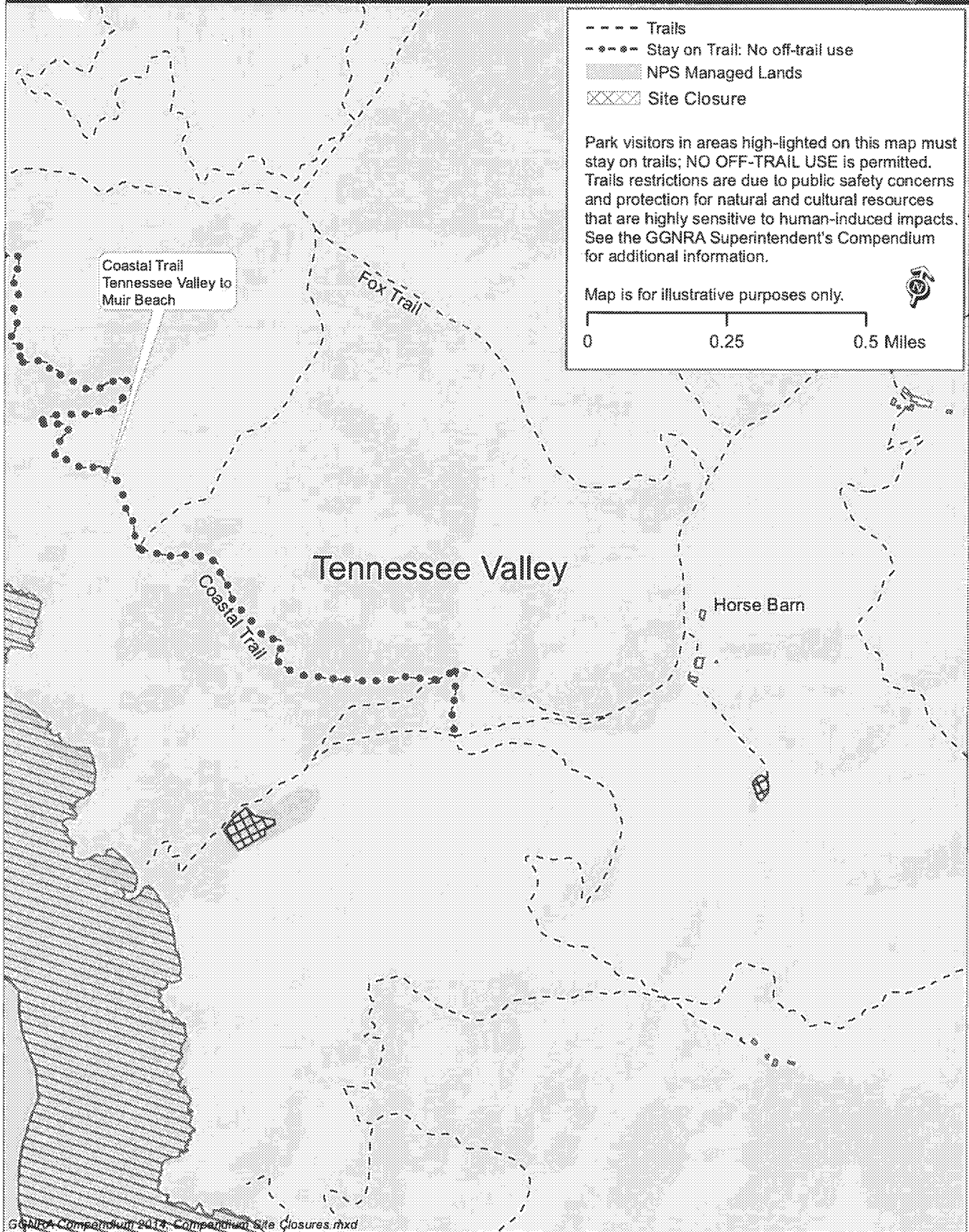
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**Site Closures and Trail Restrictions**  
**Tennessee Valley**

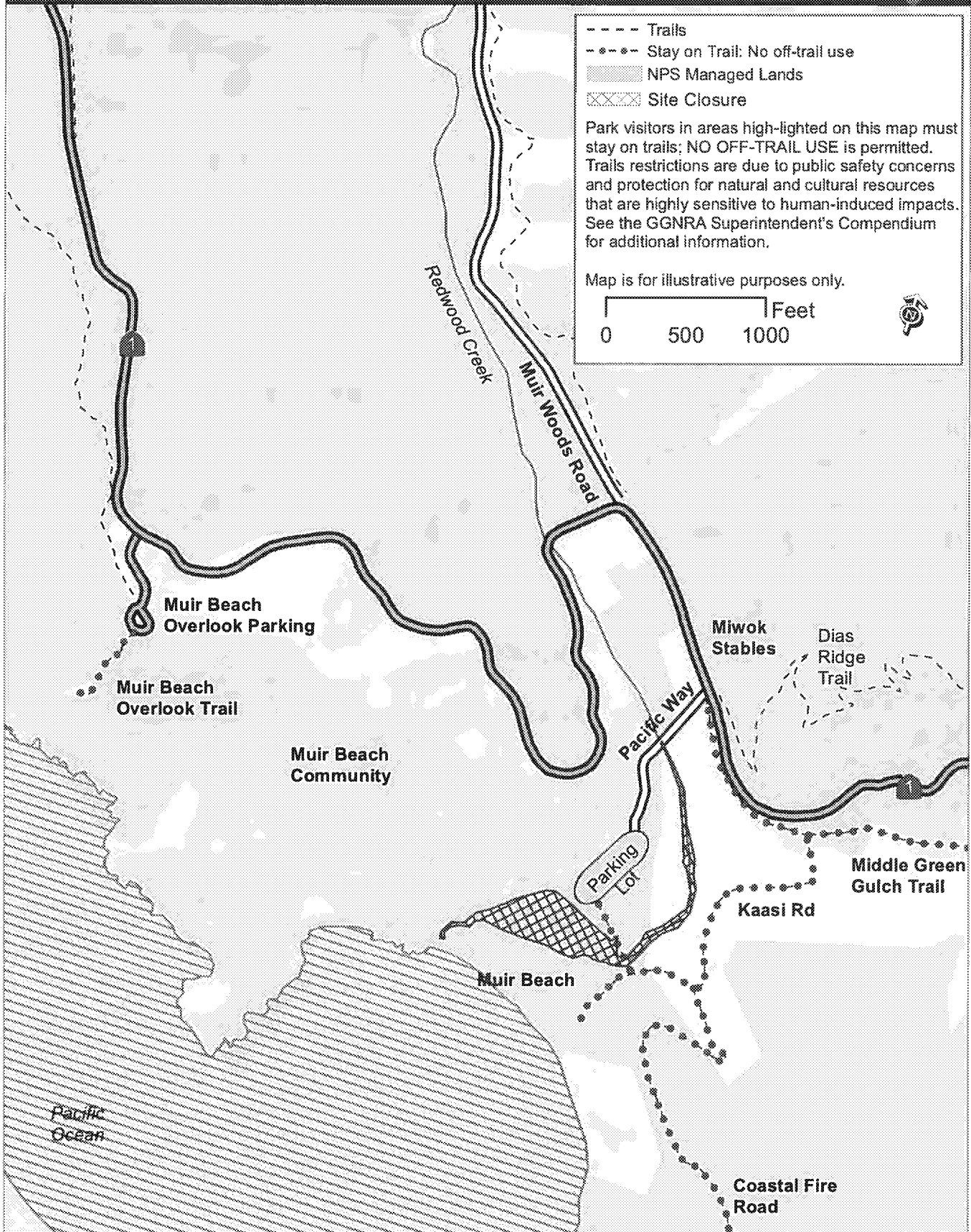
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Muir Beach**

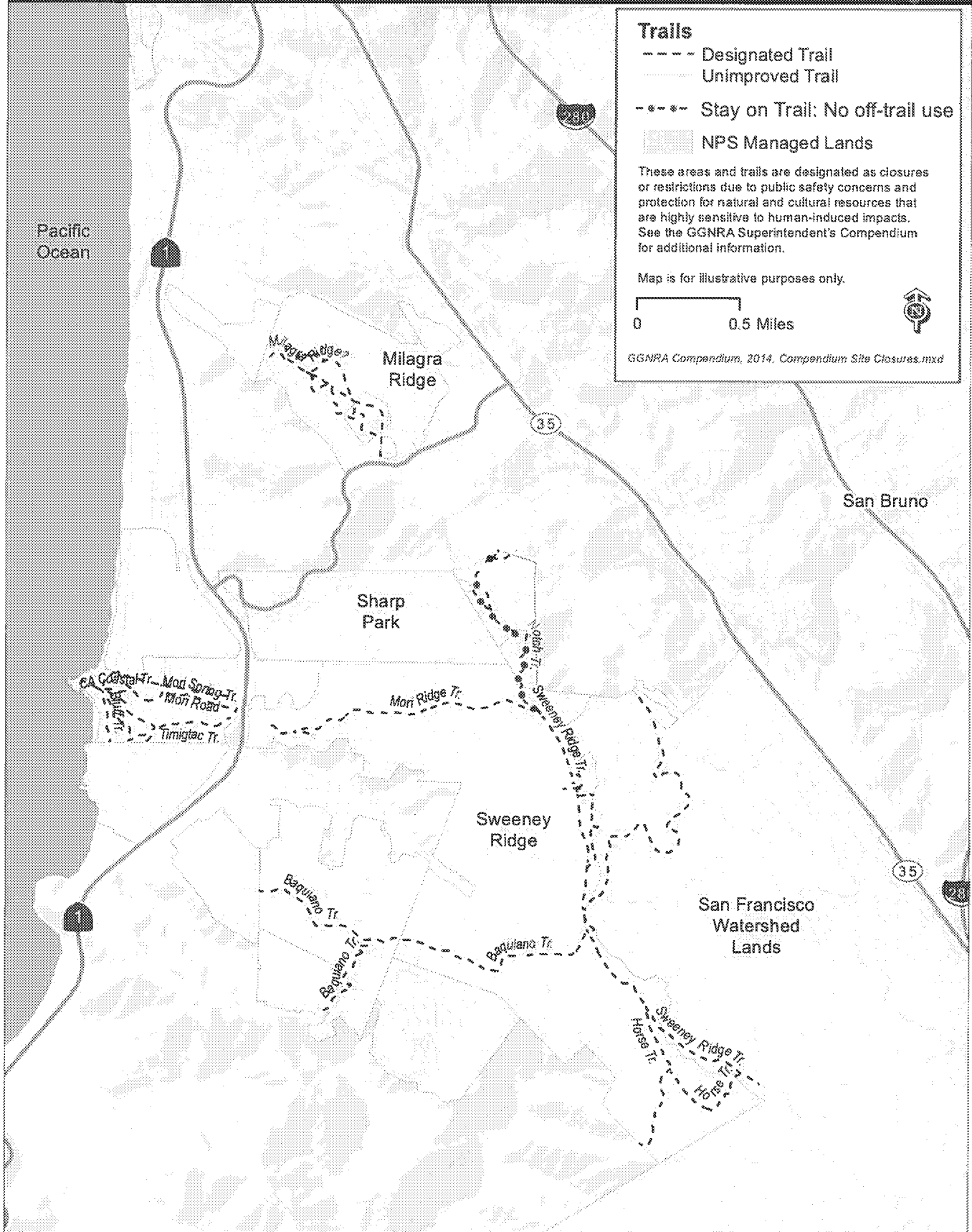
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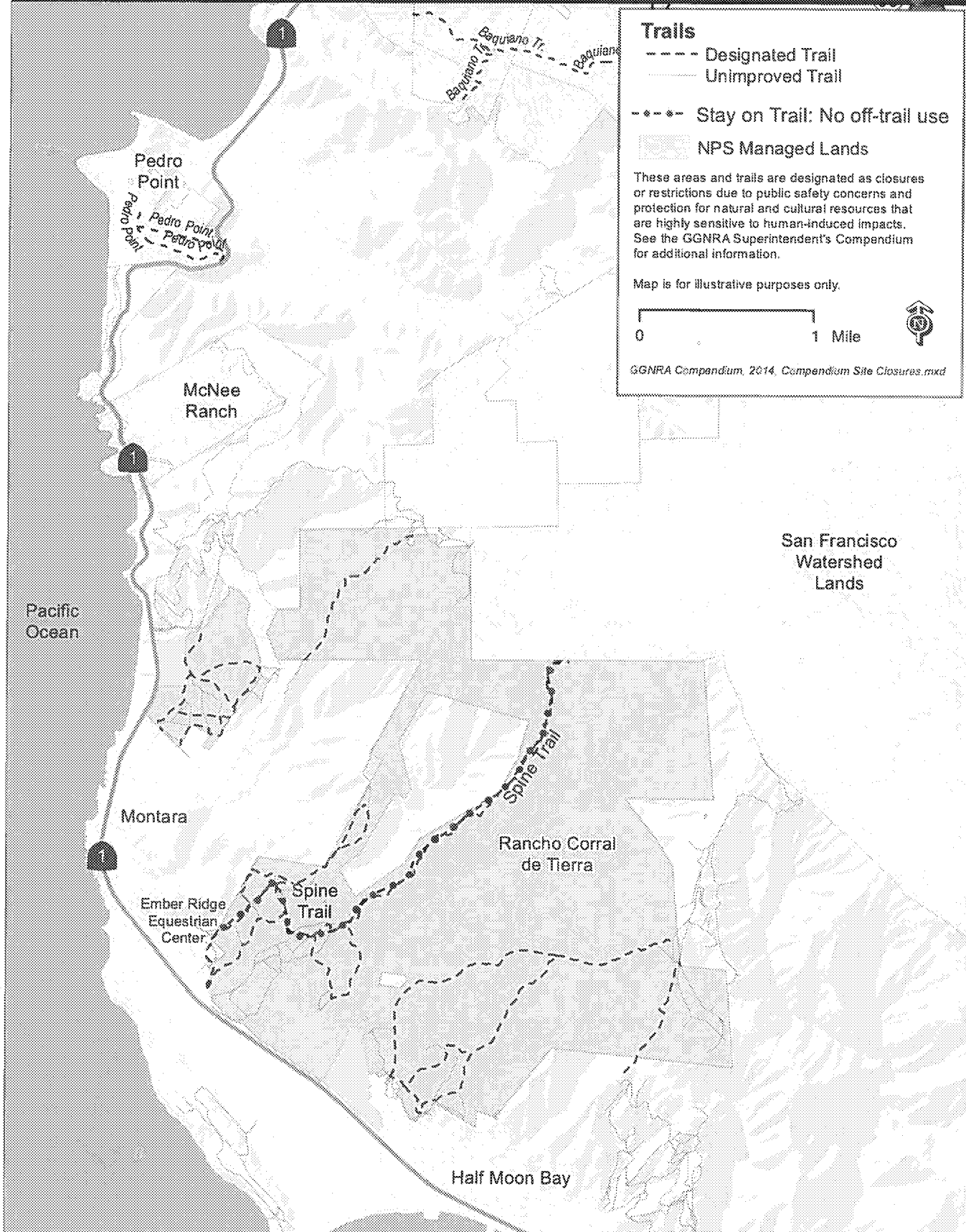
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**Site Closures and Trail Restrictions**  
**Milagra and Sweeney Ridge**

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**Exhibit 15**  
**Site Closures and Trail Restrictions**  
**Rancho Corral de Tierra**

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Bill - Here's the version from last year.

We changed rodeo lagoon trail to 'stay on trail' linetype all the way around lagoon.

Stephen

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I need to look at how we handled Rodeo previously.

Is there a deadline for comments? (Today??)

Thank you, Bill

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Hi Daphne, Bill and I chatted-- Bill offered to be the POC on this. How do you want to deal with seasonal closure with fencing at Muir Beach/Big lagoon? Darren

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Hi there,

LE is asking for a POC for compendium changes for 2015 so 1st I'd like to inquire if anyone has changes that they think might need to be made?

Seems like we may want to make sure we're ok with whatever language is in there re. Redwood Creek and Rodeo Lagoon and maybe Fort Baker as we prepare for future implementation of dog management rule. I'm thinking of closed area designations that would be intended for everyone, not just dogs, that we would want in place or to clarify now.

Has the fenced area at west end of Rodeo Lagoon been included or does fenced and posted as closed cover this???

Anything on Alcatraz?

I was going to link to the compendium on the web but couldn't get there today.

Bill, Darren- Do one of you want to be the POC for our division?

Daphne

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**Subject:** Reinitiation of informal consultation for dog management (08ESMF00-2011-TA-079-2)

Hi Ryan/Dan, the park is still working on dog management plan issues. Most recently, the Park is considering adding a 3-acre area of disturbed lands that is currently under Park management in the Rancho Corral de Tierra unit (Half Moon Bay area) as an off leash, voice and sight control area for dogs. This was not in the original environmental document (SEIS) that we had previously consulted on with your office. This area is in designated critical habitat for CRLF (unit SNM-1). There are no other T&E resources that are nearby and would be affected. Given the existing disturbed condition, we feel that this use designation is unlikely to result in any adverse modification of critical habitat. We were planning on submitting a short memo requesting concurrence on a NLAA determination and would include more details on the use designation, current habitat conditions for CRLF and justification for the NLAA. Please let us know if this sounds ok. Thanks! Darren

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**2014 Superintendent's Compendium**  
Of Designations, Closures, Permit  
Requirements and Other Restrictions  
Imposed Under Discretionary Authority

Approved:

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*March 7, 2014*  
Date

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In accordance with the regulations and delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1 through 7, authorized by Title 16, United States Code, Section 3, the following regulatory provisions are established for the proper management, protection, government and public use of the portions of Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Presidio of San Francisco - Area A, Muir Woods National Monument, and Fort Point National Historic Site under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations that explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority as required by Section 1.5 (c) appear in this document identified by italicized print.

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## PART 1 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

The specific discretionary authority for Park Superintendents to establish reasonable schedules for visiting hours, impose public use limits, and close park areas for all public use or specific use is found at Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §1.5. These park-specific restrictions are also based upon 36 CFR, Chapters 1-7 to protect park resources, visitors and employees. Under CFR §1.7 notice of all restrictions, closures, designations and permit requirements will be made available to the general public by a least one or more of the following methods of notifications: maps, brochures, signs, permits, or other appropriate methods, as well as within this compendium.

### Section 1.1 Definitions

The following are terms used in this document. A more complete listing can be found in the CFR derived under 36 CFR §1.4 or §1.5 [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_09/36cfr1\\_09.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_09/36cfr1_09.html).

- **BICYCLE** means a device upon which any person may ride, propelled exclusively by human power through a belt, chain, or gears, and having one or more wheels. Persons riding bicycles are subject to the provisions of the CA Vehicle code specified in Sections 21200 and 21200.5.
- **BICYCLE ROUTE** means any lane, way, or path, designated by appropriate signs, that explicitly provides for bicycle travel.
- **COMMERCIAL CARRIER:** Any type of motor vehicle used for commercial transportation service to areas administered by GGNRA, including but not limited to sedans, SUV's, minivans, vans, mini-busses, motor coaches, and limousines used for commercial transportation services subject to authorization. The following exceptions apply in which carriers may use roads within GGNRA without a special CUA; vehicles contracted for use by school programs in NPS areas; vehicles contracted for use by nonprofit organizations' programs in NPS areas; vehicles; taxis; and MUNI or other providers of public transportation.
- **COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE:** Conveyance of visitors via motor vehicle into and/or out of any area administered by GGNRA for a direct or indirect fee and, except for on-board interpretative services, no other services are provided.
- **COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION:** A form or written authorization issued by the Superintendent under which persons are allowed to provide certain commercial services to visitors of the GGNRA.
- **ELECTRIC POWERED MOBILITY ASSISTANCE DEVICES** (e.g. electric scooters, Segway® devices) is a motor vehicle as defined in Title 36 CFR. "Electric personal assistive mobility device" or "EPMAD" means a self-balancing, non-tandem two-wheeled device, that is not greater than 20 inches deep and 25 inches wide and can turn in place, designed to transport only one person, with an electric propulsion system averaging less than 750 watts (1 horsepower), the maximum speed of which, when powered solely by a propulsion system on a paved level surface, is no more than 12.5 miles per hour
- **FIRE** means any combustion of combustible materials of any type outdoors.
- **FREQUENT USE:** Commercial transportation services offered within GGNRA more than one time per month.
- **IDLING** means the engine is running while a truck, bus or any vehicle is stationary.
- **KITE BUGGY** means a light, purpose-built vehicle powered by a traction kite (power kite). It is single-seated and has one steerable front wheel and two fixed rear wheels. The use of these devices fall under skateboarding regulations (See skateboard).
- **KITESURFING OR KITEBOARDING** means using a kite to pull a rider through the water on a surfboard or kite-board (a wakeboard-like board). The use of these devices fall under surfing regulations. Other terms used: Windsurfing.
- **MANAGED DOGS** means those dogs under control of their owner at all times. This control may be by voice or by leash, depending on the legal dog walking status of the area visited. The criterion is that the dog may not harass any person or animal.
- **ORGANIZED GAMES AND SPORTS** mean recreation that requires the erection of associated equipment, use of uniforms, and/or exclusive use of more than one-third of the designated area or patterns of routine use.
- **OVERNIGHT PARKING** means a vehicle parking continuously between 12 midnight and 6:00 a.m.
- **PICNICKING** means an excursion or outing in which the participants carry food with them and have a meal in the open air.

- **SERVICE ANIMAL** means any dog or miniature horse that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Miniature Horses are recognized as SERVICE ANIMALS for the purpose of the definition of Service Animal. (28 CFR Part 35 Section 34.104) Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the purpose of this definition. (28 CFR Part 35 section 34.104)
- **AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY** means any person who has a physical, mental, or sensory impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of such an impairment, or is re-guarded as having such an impairment. (43 CFR Part 17.503)
- **PORTABLE FIRE PIT** mean a free standing portable fire basin used with wood or wood products. The use of these devices falls under the 2.13 fire regulations.
- **POWERLESS FLIGHT.** The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight.
- **PUBLIC PIER OR JETTY** is defined in the sport fishing regulations as a publicly owned man-made structure that has the following characteristics: is connected, above the mean high tide, to the main coastline; has unrestricted free access for the general public; and has been built or currently functions for the primary purpose of allowing angling access to ocean waters.
- **SKATEBOARD** means a board having a set of wheels mounted under it or on the side, ridden in a standing, crouching or seated position. Other terms used for extreme sport skating: Mountain-boarding, Roll-surfing, and Dirt-surfing.
- **SKATESAILING** means a sport where people on skates are propelled by a sail. Traditionally ice skates are used, but other kinds, such as roller skates, skateboards, or wheels can be used. Other terms used: Street-sailing, Wind-skating, Sporting-sails and Land-surfing, the use of these devices fall under skateboarding regulations.
- **UNMANAGED DOGS** means dogs that annoy, harass, or attack people, wildlife, livestock or other dogs, are presumed to be not under control.
- **VOICE CONTROL** means dogs are within earshot and eyesight of the owner/handler and respond immediately to commands to return to leash when called.

### Section 1.2 Applicability and Scope

The regulations and public use limits or restrictions contained in this document apply to all persons entering, using, visiting or otherwise within the boundaries of lands and waters, controlled, leased, administered or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the National Park Service, Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

### Section 1.5 – Visiting Hours, Public Use Limits, Closures

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

#### What Are The Visiting Hours?

The Park is open to visitors every day of the year, 24 hours, except where listed below:

**VISITOR CENTERS** hours are as follows:

##### Marin County

- Marin Headlands Visitor Center: open year-round from 9:30-4:30pm (except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day)
- Muir Woods National Monument Visitor Center: open year-round from 9am until sunset.

##### San Francisco

- Fort Point Visitor Center: open seasonally from November 1 to March 31 Friday-Sunday from 10:00-5:00pm.
- Lands End Lookout: open daily from 9:00am-6:00pm
- Golden Gate Bridge Pavilion: open daily from 9:00am-5:00pm

**DAY USE:** The following areas are closed between one hour after sunset until 6:00am:

##### Marin County

- Conzelman Road: Closed to motorized vehicle traffic from its junction with McCullough road traffic circle, westward to its junction with Field road.
- Kirby Cove (except registered campers with valid permits)

San Francisco

- China Beach
- Fort Funston
- Battery East Parking Fort Point National Historic Site (all areas outside Historic Fort itself)
- Fort Mason: Black Point Battery stairway path leading to Van Ness Avenue

**DAY USE as posted:**

Marin County

- BATTERY TOWNSLEY (interior): First Sunday of each month, 1:00-4:00pm
- MUIR BEACH: 9:00 am until one hour after sunset
- MUIR BEACH OVERLOOK: 9:00am until one hour after sunset
- MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT: 8:00am until sunset
- NIKE MISSILE SITE:
  - Wednesday through Friday, 12:30–3:30pm
  - First Saturday of the month, 12:30–3:30pm
- POINT BONITA LIGHTHOUSE beyond tunnel:
  - Saturday through Monday 12:30–3:30pm
  - Evening and special programs as advertised in park events calendar
- STINSON BEACH: 9:00am until one hour after sunset

San Francisco

- ALCATRAZ ISLAND public access is limited to the self-guided areas during day, evening and special programs operating hours. Alcatraz Island hours of operations are established by the Superintendent's office according to daylight savings and the after-hours program. Schedule of hours of operation is available on the park web site or through Superintendent's office. <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/hours.htm>
- BAKER BEACH parking 6:00am- until one hour after sunset
- BATTERY EAST parking 6:00am – 11:00 pm
- BATTERY CHAMBERLAIN (interior): First full weekend of the month 11:00am-2:00pm
- MERRIE WAY parking 6:00am-1:00am
- NAVY MEMORIAL parking 6:00am-1:00am.
- OCEAN BEACH 1<sup>ST</sup> Overlook parking open 6:00am-10:00pm. 2<sup>ND</sup> overlook parking open 6:00am-10:00pm.

*These areas are designated as day use due to public safety concerns associated with limited visibility, steep coastal cliffs and the marine environment during hours of darkness. In addition, these areas are significant for the naturally spectacular serpentine coastal bluffs and particularly the Fort Point area is one of our remnant natural areas and contains populations of three rare plants that are highly sensitive to damage with no scheduled attendant protection services.*

**Are There Public Use Limits?**

BEACH FIRES require permit for 25 people or more, refer to §2.13(a) (1) Fires and § 1.6 Permits of this compendium.

Marin County

- Permitted only on Muir Beach in designated fire pits

San Francisco

- Permitted only on Ocean Beach in designated fire pits

*Management of beach fires through permit conditions allows the park to continue this activity without causing resource damage and harm to visitor safety.*

BICYCLE use is prohibited in the following developed park areas:

Marin County

- Battery Yates Trail (top of battery), Fort Baker
- Muir Woods National Monument, except Deer Park Fire Road
- Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail, Marin Headlands

San Francisco

- Crissy Field Lagoon Boardwalk
- Fort Point Pier

San Mateo

- Bicycles must be walked on the portion of the Spine Trail through the Ember Ridge Equestrian Center (**Exhibit 14**)

BICYCLES GROUPS: maximum number of bicyclists in any one group is 10. Larger groups of cyclists will have to divide into groups of no larger than 10.

*Group size restriction is necessary for the safety of the cyclists using public roadways and authorized trails within the Park. Roadways and trails must be shared with other vehicles, pedestrians and horses. Group size does not exempt bicyclists from adhering to California Vehicle Code regulations.*

FOOD is prohibited:

- Alcatraz Island: beyond dock area
- Muir Woods National Monument except gift shop and Muir Plaza.

*The restriction of food reduces rodent infestation and waste on Alcatraz Island and trash litter within Muir Woods National Monument.*

IDLING motor vehicle is prohibited:

- All vehicles traveling in the park while parked for more than 30 seconds must have engines remain off.
- The above prohibition does not apply to law enforcement patrol operations, fire or emergency search and rescue missions or training exercises.

*The purpose of this restriction is to reduce public exposure to diesel, exhaust particulate matter and other toxic air contaminants by limiting the idling of buses, trucks or motor vehicles. In addition, this restriction will eliminate the noise from idling vehicles when parked in or adjacent to residential areas and natural settings located throughout the park.*

MODEL AIRPLANES: The following are the only areas open to model airplane flights and operations:

- Fort Funston (when hang gliders or Para-gliders are not in the air)
- Shoreline Highway north of Muir Beach Overlook

*Model airplanes are a hazard to the safety of people piloting hang gliders and para-gliders in the Fort Funston area.*

ORGANIZED SPORTS: The following areas are closed to organized sports:

Marin County

- Fort Baker Parade Ground

San Francisco

- Crissy Field Airfield
- Fort Mason Great Meadow
- Fort Mason Parade Ground

*Small impromptu pickup games that do not adversely impact the designated natural and cultural resources within designated areas will be allowed, e.g. Frisbee, hacky sack or similar low impact games. This closure*

*is necessary to protect natural resources including the tidal marsh and wildlife therein and protect the newly restored turf from the overall impact, including length of stay*

OVERNIGHT MOORING / ANCHORING are prohibited at Horseshoe Cove at Fort Baker, Marin Headlands.

*This is a congested area with a great deal of boat traffic and emergency response from U.S. Park Rangers and U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate which prohibits the mooring or anchoring of vessels in areas of Horseshoe Cove other than at the Presidio Yacht Club that would create a hazard to navigation and a level of intrusion, associated with these use. The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users and allow the safe passage of emergency response from USCG.*

#### PARKING:

- All parking areas and roads in the park are closed to camping and overnight parking, with the exception of visitors properly displaying (hike-in and hike-through) backcountry camping permits. Those visitors may park at established trailheads located at: Bldg. T-1111, Bicentennial Campground, Kirby Cove, and Tennessee Valley parking in the Marin Headlands. Guests staying overnight at Cavallo Point Lodge, Fort Barry Hostel, Headlands Institute, and the Point Bonita YMCA may park at those locations. Fort Mason Hostel guests must display green parking permit and park in Fort Mason Quad parking area and along MacArthur Avenue only.
- CRISSY FIELD: Parking on any grass berm at East Beach parking is prohibited.
- WEST BLUFF: Expanded Amenity Fee 10am – 5pm. Lot closed between 11 PM and 6 AM.
- BATTERY EAST: Monday thru Friday 3-hour parking limit. Saturday and Sunday \$1d/hr or \$6d/day, between the hours of 10am – 5pm.
- FORT MASON (Upper): Two hour public parking limit, except motorcycles/scooters and vehicles displaying NPS or resident parking permit or under condition of special use permit.
- FORT MASON (Lower): Paid parking operated by City Park through [www.fortmason.org](http://www.fortmason.org)
- FORT MASON (Lower): Parking on Pier 1 and Pier 2 aprons prohibited.
- MUIR WOODS NM: Commercial carrier parking stalls open to public parking after 4:00 p.m.
- SUTRO HEIGHTS: Reserved valet parking for Cliff House patrons. Forty-four (44) parking stalls will be designated "Permit Parking Only - 5 p.m. to Midnight".

*Since overnight use and camping is prohibited in the park except in established campgrounds or park partner facilities there is no valid reason for a vehicle to remain in the park overnight unless the Public Safety division or United States Park Police has been previously advised.*

#### PARK BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

- Park administrative, maintenance, service roads, public safety, storage, resident housing, licensed concessionaires or lessee and park partners' facilities are closed to the public, including but not limited to access roads, outbuildings and grounds. This closure shall not apply to residents, guests of residents, or persons engaged in legitimate government activities or permitted business activities.
- Except for facilities and sites designated open for visitor use, all buildings are closed to unauthorized entry. This shall not apply to persons in non-public areas who have been granted specific permission by the National Park Service (NPS); another authorized Federal agency, licensed concessionaires or lessee, park partners, their representatives and guests, contractors, or those who are under escort of park employees.
- All buildings used for the storage, treatment, or transmission of electricity, gas, telephone, waste disposal, and domestic water are closed to the public, unless under escort of park employees.

*Enhanced security for employees, government property and utilities require these sites to have limited access.*

PICNICKING for groups over 50 people require permit, refer to definition as well as §1.6 "Permits" and §2.11 "Picnicking" of this compendium.

*Because there are limited places in the park which can accommodate a picnic group of this size, and to minimize the impact of such a group on other visitors, a permit system is necessary.*

WEDDINGS AND OUTDOOR CEREMONIES: Indoor and outdoor events in the park require a permit.

*Due to the overwhelming request for these types of events in the park, while maintaining public access for multi-use recreation, these events may require additional utilities, services and oversight best facilitated through a permit. See §1.6 of this compendium for information.*

### **What Park Areas Are Closed To The Public?**

#### **All areas fenced and / or posted as closed**

##### Marin County

##### **FORT BAKER (Exhibit # 1)**

- Baker/Barry Tunnel closed to pedestrians
- Battery Yates Wildlife Protection Area – beyond cable fencing
- Battery Cavallo
- Battery Spencer historic fortification pill boxes above GG Bridge
- Golden Gate Bridge north anchorage and pylons
- U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate facilities and docks
- Vista Point service road accessed from lower Conzelman Road
- Lower Conzelman road (south of parking lot to Lime Point access road) closed to vehicles only
- Lime Point access road and light station

##### **MUIR BEACH**

- Big Lagoon and seasonal inlet
- Redwood Creek

##### **POINT BONITA LIGHTHOUSE AREA (Exhibit # 2)**

- Bird Island Overlook – beyond cable fencing, cliff areas and coastal fortifications
- Bonita Cove and tide pools
- Travel off lighthouse main access road and trail
- U.S. Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service radar site

##### San Francisco

ALCATRAZ ISLAND the following locations are closed to public use:

*Closed areas may be accessed under special circumstances with site supervisor approval.*

- All tide pools
- All designated sensitive bird breeding habitats
- Casemates under recreation yard
- Catwalk circling recreation yard
- Cistern area
- Incinerator area
- Lower west road over Barker Beach from Windy Gulch path to New Industries building
- Morgue
- Northeast perimeter path
- Officers club
- Parade Ground rubble piles
- Plaza northeast of Model Industries building (as posted)
- Quartermaster building
- Top tiers of cell house (A, B, C, & D Blocks)
- Warden's house
- Western and northwestern cliffs
- Windy Gulch path
- The Gardens



- Any area barricaded and signed "Area Closed for Your Safety"
- Any Buildings not open to the Public, such as Building 64, Upper Tiers
- The following locations on ALCATRAZ ISLAND will be closed seasonally to public use each year from February 1 through September 15, or the end of the nesting season as determined by the park's wildlife specialist in the following areas: **(Exhibit # 3)**
  - Agave Trail (from dock to tide pools west of steps)
  - Parade Ground and Agave Steps (end of season to be determined)
  - Model Industries Plaza (as posted)
  - Northeast Perimeter (dock to north fog horn) (end of season to be determined)
  - West Side (lower west road from Parade Ground gate, past Apt. A, bird blind, incinerator, and west side of New Industries building) (end of season to be determined).

#### FORT FUNSTON **(Exhibit #4)**

- Habitat protection area
- Coastal trail south approx. 600 yard section north of Horse Trail intersection

#### FORT MASON (Lower) **(Exhibit #5)**

- Pier One
- Pier Four
- Historic Guard Shack

#### FORT POINT HISTORIC SITE **(Exhibit #6)**

- Historic Seawall
- Golden Gate bridge anchorage and pylons

#### LAND'S END **(Exhibit # 7)**

- Dead Man's Point
- Eagle Point social trails below overlook deck and along Coastal Trail
- Point Lobos Archeological District, Sutro District
- Travel off trail east of Painted Rock east to junction of main Coastal Trail

#### PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO (Area A):

- Lobos Creek riparian corridor **(Exhibit #8 )**
- Former Coast Guard Pier
- Crissy Tidal Marsh consisting of an open water lagoon, sand flats, mud flats and vegetated marsh plain is located in the central portion of Crissy Field. The tidal marsh is defined as: starting at the eastern edge, from the channel inlet promenade footbridge extending along the shoreline; along the northern edge of the wetland; west to the perimeter of the restored airfield; and to the south along the vegetation buffer and barrier fencing parallel and adjacent to Mason Street. Public use is permitted on designated trails, including boardwalks and footbridges. **(Exhibit #10A)**
- Presidio Water Treatment Plant, Bldg. 1773

#### San Mateo County

##### MORI POINT

- Service road closed to vehicles(except by NPS escort only)
- Ponds

*Areas are designated as closures due to public safety concerns associated with limited visibility, steep coastal cliffs and the marine environment during hours of darkness with no scheduled attendant protection services.*

*Alcatraz Island areas are closed to protect breeding birds. Certain bird species nesting on Alcatraz have demonstrated extreme sensitivity to human presence during the breeding season. These closures minimize the disturbance to their nesting activity.*

*Natural and cultural resources in these areas are highly sensitive to damage. In addition, they provide vital protection of habitat for shorebirds, Mission Blue butterflies, marine mammals, and other sea life.*

*Vegetated areas contain significant native plant communities and habitat that are subject to human-induced impacts to the coastal bluffs and dunes, a significant geological feature.*

*U.S. Coast Guard radar site; Station Golden Gate and Golden Gate Bridge facilities are for agency restricted use and protected for security purposes.*

*Residential areas inside the park are primarily maintained for the use of park residents and their invited guests; limited general public access is allowed.*

*Baker/Barry tunnel is a one-way traffic controlled tunnel for motor vehicles with bicycle lanes in both directions, and therefore not appropriate to allow pedestrian traffic.*

#### Dept. of Homeland Security ENHANCED SECURITY CLOSURES – ELEVATED

- Fort Point National Historic Site
  - Marine Drive closed at Wave gate.
  - Long Avenue
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Marin Headlands)
  - Lower Conzelman road access at Northwest Parking Lot.
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Fort Baker)
  - Lower Conzelman road access closed at Bunker Road & Murray Circle intersection.
  - Sommersville Road access road to Lower Conzelman; boat launch and fishing pier closed east of USCG Station Golden Gate.
- Land and waters surrounding the north and south anchorage of the Golden Gate Bridge:
  - Fort Point NHS 100 yards offshore from the low water mark.
  - Fort Baker 100 yards offshore from the low water mark.
  - no vessels shall

[a] anchor beneath the Golden Gate Bridge, or within 100 feet of the east or west edges of the bridge;

[b] operate or remain beneath the Golden Gate Bridge; or within 100 feet east or west of the edges of the bridge, for longer than it is reasonably necessary to traverse that area, except in an emergency, or with the permission of the Captain of the Port, SF Bay (USCG).

*These closures are necessary when the condition is declared where there is a high risk of terrorist attacks. These closures restricting visitor access will remain in effect during National Threat Level – ELEVATED. These closures are rescinded when threat level high condition ELEVATED is reduced or eliminated.*

#### Dept. of Homeland Security ENHANCED SECURITY CLOSURES – IMMINENT

- Fort Point National Historic Site
  - Marine Drive closed at Wave gate.
  - Long Avenue
  - Coastal trail closed at Fort Point administration Building to Battery East.
  - Coastal trail closed at Battery East to Golden Gate Bridge.
- Coastal Trail
  - Coastal trail closed at Battery Boutelle east to Golden Gate Bridge
- Marshall Beach to Fort Point Beach(Golden Gate Bridge South Anchorage)
  - Batteries to Bluffs trail from Lincoln Ave to Marshall Beach
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Marin Headlands)
  - Lower Conzelman road access at North West Parking Lot.
- Golden Gate Bridge North Anchorage (Fort Baker)
  - Lower Conzelman road access closed at Bunker Road & Murray Circle intersection.
  - Sommersville Road access road to Lower Conzelman; boat launch and fishing pier closed east of USCG Station Golden Gate.
- Land and waters surrounding the north and south anchorage of the Golden Gate Bridge:
  - Fort Point NHS 300 offshore from the low water mark.

- Fort Baker 500 yards offshore from the low water mark.
  - no vessels shall
    - [a] anchor beneath the Golden Gate Bridge, or within 100 feet of the east or west edges of the bridge;
    - [b] operate or remain beneath the Golden Gate Bridge; or within 100 feet east or west of the edges of the bridge, for longer than it is reasonably necessary to traverse that area, except in an emergency, or with the permission of the Captain of the Port, SF Bay, U.S. Coast Guard.

*These closures are necessary when the condition is declared where there is an extreme risk of terrorist attacks. These closures restricting visitor access will remain in effect during National Threat Level – IMMINENT. These closures are rescinded when threat level extreme condition IMMINENT is reduced or eliminated.*

**36 CFR §1.5 (a)(2) What Activities Have Been Designated For A Specific Use Or Area, And Are Under Special Conditions And/Or Restrictions?**

- **BOATING:** The following areas are closed to all vessels, including rowboats, kayaking, sail boarding, kite boarding and windsurfing:
  - Alcatraz Island docks\*, except NPS contracted ferry and barge service
  - Crissy Field Wildlife Protection Area which encompasses the shoreline and beach north of the Crissy Field Promenade (excluding the paved parking area, sidewalks and grass lawn of the former Coast Guard Station complex) that stretches east from the Torpedo Wharf to approximately 700 feet east of the former Coast Guard station landside, and all tidelands and submerged lands to 300 feet off shore. **(Exhibit #10B)**
  - All navigable waters within 500 feet of shore from the eastern boundary of East Beach to Fort Point are closed to vessel traffic from July 1st to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2013.
  - Lobos Creek
  - Redwood Creek
  - Rodeo Lagoon and seasonal inlet
  - Rodeo Lake

*This restriction is for the purpose of protection of irreplaceable natural resources. These areas provide vital habitat for water birds, shorebirds and marine life. These restrictions are necessary to protect water quality in the wetlands. In addition, there is a need to maintain clearance and reduce hazards to navigation for ferries transporting visitors to Alcatraz Island and minimize disturbance to nesting wildlife. Constant boat traffic, loud noise and the use of public address systems from tour vessels and night lighting may cause seabirds to abandon nests. The prohibition on boating will provide important areas of reduced disturbance for wildlife.*

*Additional seasonal closures of waters around Alcatraz Island are for the protection of nesting water birds in association with America's Cup events.*

**\*NOTE:** Special regulations pertaining to boat landings on Alcatraz Island are found in 36 CFR Section 7.97(a) and were published in the Federal Register on December 11, 1992.

**CAMPING:**

- Please refer to §2.10 of this compendium for specific camping area regulations.

**DESIGNATED FISHING PIERS** the following areas do not require fishing licenses:

- Fort Baker pier and jetty
- Fort Mason Piers Two & Three (Herbst and Festival Pavilions)
- Fort Point pier (a.k.a. Torpedo Wharf)

*In accordance with California Fish & Game Code of Regulations Title 14 §1.88 public fishing piers and jetties, open 24 hours a day, do not require a State fishing license. See definitions.*

**FISHING:** The following areas are closed to fishing:

Marin County

- Easkoot Creek, Stinson Beach
- Muir Woods National Monument (36 CFR 7.6)
- Redwood Creek (including Muir Beach Lagoon and tidewaters)
- Tennessee Valley Ponds
- Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Headlands
- Rodeo Lake, Marin Headlands

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island shoreline
- Crissy Field Tidal Marsh and Lagoon
- Crissy Field Former Coast Guard Pier, breakwater and seawall
- Lobos Creek, Presidio Area A

*The Endangered Species Act and the Organic Act require special protection for the threatened and endangered species and the anadromous fish found in these areas. The above restrictions afford that protection. Alcatraz Island and the Coast Guard pier are closed to fishing due to public safety concerns associated with steep drop-offs and the marine environment during hours of darkness. Alcatraz Island is also closed to fishing due to the congestion caused by heavy visitation. Lobos Creek is closed to protect the public drinking water supply. The prohibition on fishing will provide important areas of reduced disturbance for wildlife.*

**GLASS BOTTLES/CONTAINERS** possession is prohibited in the following areas:

- All beach areas and 15 feet adjacent
- Crissy Field, north of promenade.
- Historic coastal defense structures
- Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow

*The purpose of this regulation is to reduce the amount of injurious trash in the park and to prevent injury to park visitors.*

**PETS:** <http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/pets.htm>

**WHERE CAN I WALK MY DOG OFF LEASH PER THE 1979 PET POLICY? (Exhibit #11A & 11B)**

The 1979 policy allows for managed pets leashed or under voice control in the following areas:

Marin County

- Rodeo Beach and South Rodeo Beach, Fort Cronkhite
- Muir Beach
- Oakwood Valley Fire Road and upper section of Oakwood Valley Trail to Alta Avenue
- Alta Trail between Marin City and junction with Oakwood Valley Trail
- Orchard and Pacheco Fire Roads between Marin City and Alta Trail
- Tamalpais Area: 4 Corners tract above Mill Valley bounded by State Route 1, Panoramic Highway, Sequoia Valley Road and Homestead Valley area.
- Trail corridors (3) in Marin Headlands:
  1. Coastal Trail from Golden Gate Bridge to junction with Wolf Ridge Trail;
  2. Loop Trail from Rodeo Beach parking lot up Coastal Trail paved road (Old Bunker Road) near Battery Townsley and return to Rodeo Beach on paved road;
  3. Wolf Ridge Loop (Coastal Trail to Wolf Ridge Trail; Wolf Ridge Trail to Miwok Trail; Miwok Trail back down to Coastal Trail).

San Francisco

- Baker Beach north of Lobos Creek
  - Crissy Field, excluding Wildlife Protection Area seasonal leash restriction\*
  - Fort Funston, except in the 12-acre closure in northwest Fort Funston.
  - Fort Miley, east
  - Fort Miley, west
  - Land's End
  - Ocean Beach, excluding Snowy Plover Protection Area seasonal leash restriction\*
- San Mateo
- None

\* For seasonal leash restrictions, see 2008 Special Regulation, 36 CFR 7.97(d)  
<http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/Fed%20Reg%20Final%20Rule091908-2.pdf>

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#### Marin County

- Marin Headlands Trail corridors (3):
  1. Coastal Trail between Hill 88 (junction of Coastal Trail and Wolf Ridge Trail) and Muir Beach
  2. Miwok Trail between Tennessee Valley parking area to State Route 1
  3. Rhubarb Trail

#### San Francisco

- Baker Beach Picnic areas and Parking lots.
- Crissy Field Picnic areas and Parking lots.
- Fort Mason
- Sutro Heights Park

### WHAT AREAS ARE CLOSED TO DOGS PER THE 1979 PET POLICY? (Exhibit #11A & #11B)

#### Marin County

- Audubon Canyon Ranch
- Muir Woods National Monument
- Stinson Beach

#### San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- Baker Beach, south of Lobos Creek
- China Beach(formerly Phelan Beach)
- Fort Point

The 1979 Pet Policy states that "unmanaged animals are not allowed in GGNRA."

In all other areas of the park where dogs are allowed, 36 CFR 2.15 (a)(2), the federal regulation requiring dogs to be on leash, applies.

Refer to §2.15 "Pets" in this compendium for additional areas closed to pets and special conditions imposed by the Superintendent.

The above prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to:

- Emergency search and rescue missions; or
- Law enforcement patrol or bomb dogs; or
- Qualified service dogs accompanying persons with disabilities per the American Disability Act. (NOTE: Companion animals are not service animals, but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statute.)

**SWIMMING BEACHES:** Stinson Beach is designated as a swimming beach.

Please refer to §3.16 and §3.17 for specific swimming area designation uses.

- **SURFING:** Restricted at Stinson Beach, including Kite surfing and Kite boarding, when swimmers are present, and allowed only in areas designated as "Non Swimming Areas" and only at such times as are deemed safe by the Supervisory Ranger or by his/her representative.

**NON-SWIMMING AREAS:** will be designated through the use of movable, brightly colored buoys and/or the posting of flags; the posting of prominent signs on the lifeguard towers and individual contacts with users as necessary.

**36 CFR § 1.5(a)(2) Designate areas for a specific use or activity, or impose conditions or restrictions on a use or activity:**

**RESTRICTION ON DIGGING DUE TO REMEDIATION: Landfill 10/Graded Area 9 (Exhibit #9)**

The soil at former Landfill 10 and Graded Area 9 was the subject of a remediation action in 2011. The locations of these sites are attached to this Compendium as Exhibit #15. A soil cover has been placed over the waste at each of these sites and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control determined that these sites are ready for closure and as constructed do not present significant risk to human health or the environment. However, waste containing cadmium, chromium, cobalt, copper, nickel, thallium and vanadium remains under the cover at Graded Area 9; and waste containing lead, zinc, and PAHs remain under the cover at Landfill 10.

Any person who intends to conduct activities that could involve digging to a depth greater than 6 inches, such as installation of utilities or maintenance and repair, must contact the Superintendent (or his or her designee) in writing prior to beginning any such activities. Depending upon the proposed activity, the Superintendent may require the applicant to obtain a permit.

**36 CFR §1.5 (a)(3) The following restrictions, limits, closures, designations, conditions, or visiting hour restrictions imposed under §§ (a)(1) or (2) have been terminated:**

- **BOATING:** The following areas are closed to all vessels, including rowboats, kayaking, sail boarding, kite boarding and windsurfing:
  - Alcatraz Island 2013: Seasonal closure from June 21<sup>st</sup> to September 22<sup>nd</sup> of shoreline to 500 feet; excluding the East shoreline between the guard tower and the South East corner of the island. (122 25'07.9"W 37 49'29.9"N) (Exhibit #14)

**36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT**

**(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the superintendent is required:** (415) 561-4300 or visit the park website [www.nps.gov/goga](http://www.nps.gov/goga) .

§1.5(d) The following activities related to Public Use Limits:

- Commercial Tour Vehicles <http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/businesswithpark.htm>
- Picnic:50+ persons [http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/nps\\_permit\\_picnics.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/nps_permit_picnics.pdf)
- Outdoor ceremony <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/weddings.htm>
- Entry into closed area
- Guide and Service dog training

§2.4(d) Carry or possess a weapon, trap, or net

§2.5(a) Specimen collection (Take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals)

§2.10(a) Camping activities: <http://www.recreation.gov/>

- Kirby Cove, Bicentennial, Haypress and Hawk Camp
- Kirby Cove Day-use site

- Overnight parking permits for a hike through the park with accommodations outside of the park
- §2.12 Audio Disturbances:
- (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas
  - (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas
  - (a)(4) Operation of a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51
- §2.13(a)(1) Beach Fires <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/10-930%20Special%20Park%20Uses%20beach%20fires.pdf>
- §2.17 Aircraft & Air Delivery:
- (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means
  - (c)(1) Removal of a downed aircraft
- §2.37 Soliciting or demanding gifts, money goods or services (Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit issued under §2.50, §2.51 or §2.52)
- §2.38 Explosives:
- (a) Use, possess, store, transport explosives, blasting agents
  - (b) Use or possess fireworks
- §2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>
- §2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>
- §2.52(c) Sale or distribution of printer matter that is not solely commercial advertising
- §2.60(b) Livestock use
- §2.61(a) Residing on federal lands
- §2.62 Memorialization:
- (a) Erection of monuments (Requires approval from Director)
  - (b) Scattering ashes from human cremation  
[http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/form\\_letter\\_ashes.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/upload/form_letter_ashes.pdf)
- §4.11(a) Exceeding of established vehicle load, weight and size limits
- §5.1 Advertisements - (Display, posting or distribution.)
- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (Requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations).
- §5.5 Commercial Photography/Filming: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/filming.htm>
- (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television involving the use of professional casts, settings or crews, other than bona fide newsreel or news television
  - (b) Still photography of vehicles, or other articles of commerce or models for the purpose of commercial advertising.
- §5.6(c) Use of commercial vehicles on park area roads (The superintendent shall issue a permit to access private lands within or adjacent to the park when access is otherwise not available)
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- §7.97(a) Boat landings on Alcatraz

## **PART TWO – RESOURCE PROTECTION, PUBLIC USE AND RECREATION**

### **36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

#### **(b) Where must I stay on the trail?**

All areas fenced and / or posted as closed

Marin County (**Exhibit #13A, #13B, #13C, #13D**)

- Alta Fire Road
- Drown Fire Road
- Clyde's Ridge Trail, Marin Headlands

- Slacker Trail, Marin Headlands
- Slacker Ridge Trail, Marin Headlands
- Bay Trail (Battery Yates, Fort Baker)
- Chapel Trail, Fort Baker
- Coastal Trail - Hawk Hill Connector
- Coastal Trail, Tennessee Valley to Muir Beach
- Muir Beach Access Trail, Muir Beach
- Kaasi Trail, Muir Beach
- Kirby Cove Road – from Conzelman Gate to Campground Parking Lot
- Muir Woods National Monument
- Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail
- Student Conservation Assoc. (SCA) Trail, Marin Headlands

San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island, Agave Trail
- Coastal Trail, Battery East Earthworks
- Batteries to Bluffs Trail, Presidio
- Coastal Trail, Presidio and Land's End

San Mateo Exhibit #14

- Notch Trail, Sweeney Ridge

*This restriction is for the purpose of visitor safety associated with uneven surfaces, loose rock formations, and steep drop-offs areas identified as the sites of multiple fatalities over the years. Other areas require protection of irreplaceable cultural resources or threatened and endangered species habitat. In addition, these areas provide vital habitat for federally endangered mission blue butterfly species and other birds, marine mammals, and other sea life. The vegetated areas contain native and historical vegetation that is sensitive to trampling due to shortcutting and erosion paths.*

**(c)(1), (c)(2) The following fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption, in accordance with the noted size, quantity, collection sites and/or use or consumption restrictions:**

- Plums, apples, figs, blackberries and unoccupied seashells may be gathered for personal consumption or use in quantities of less than one (1) quart per person per day and no more than 5 total quarts per person per year.
- Muir Woods National Monument: No collecting of any kind is allowed

*It has been determined that the gathering or consumption of fruits and berries will not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproduction potential of any plant species, or otherwise adversely affect park resources. If future monitoring indicates that such gathering or consumption is likely to cause adverse effects to park resources, then the authorization of this consumptive use will be terminated. Use of these items for any purpose other than personal consumption is specifically prohibited.*

See <http://www.presidio.gov> PART 1002 § 1002.1(c)(2) for areas available for mushroom harvesting on Presidio Trust jurisdiction.

**36 CFR §2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

**(e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light:**

- The entire park is closed to viewing wildlife by artificial light.

*The purpose of this regulation is to protect park wildlife from poaching activity and the effect of temporarily blinding the animal and potentially jeopardizing its safety. NOTE: Night vision devices are not artificial lights; however, infrared lighting /beams are considered artificial lights and are included in this prohibition.*



### **36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING and FOOD STORAGE**

**(a) The sites and areas listed below have been designated for camping activities as noted. A permit system has been established for certain campgrounds or camping activities, and conditions for camping and camping activities are in effect as noted.** Visit the park website at [www.nps.gov/goga](http://www.nps.gov/goga) for specific stay and site limits and reservation systems.

#### **Designated Campgrounds**

##### Marin Headlands

- Bicentennial
- Haypress
- Hawk Camp
- Kirby Cove, including day-use area

#### **Camping Activities**

- Camping, overnight or multiple day parking in any type of motor vehicle is prohibited upon lands administered by Golden Gate National Recreation Area except in campgrounds and designated sites by permit.
- Campground check out is 12:00 noon on the day of departure.
- Campground use fees, if applicable, shall be paid prior to arrival.
- Up to 15 people may visit the registered campers per campsite. Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., registered campers shall not exceed the designated capacity.
- Minors must be supervised. A responsible leader, 21 years or older, must be present for every 10 children under 18 years of age.
- The minimum age of any camper is 18 years of age, unless accompanied by an adult or unless a legal guardian provides a letter of permission. This letter must state the name of minor that has permission to camp, dates allowed to camp, contact name and number of legal guardian.
- Dogs and other pets are prohibited, except Service Animals as defined by 28 CFR part 35 Section 34.104. (**NOTE:** Crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of the definition of Service Animal but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statute.)
- Amplified music is prohibited.
- Vehicles are prohibited within the boundaries of walk-in or hike-in campgrounds.
- Drive-in access will be allowed at Kirby Cove for disabled visitors. This drive-in access is allowed for the ease of loading and unloading the disabled visitor only, not for loading and unloading gear.

**(b)(3) Camping within 25 feet of a fire hydrant or main road, or within 100 feet of a flowing stream, river or body of water is authorized only in the following areas:**

- In established campsites in designated campgrounds.

**(d) Conditions for the storage of food are in effect, as noted, for designated campgrounds:**

- All food (including canned, bottled or otherwise packaged, equipment used to cook or store food, garbage and toiletries such as soap, toothpaste and cosmetics) should be stored in the food lockers provided.
- When there is more food than can be stored in the locker, canned or bottled items that have never been opened may be stored in the trunk of the vehicle parked in the designated parking areas or if there is no trunk, as low in the vehicle as possible, provided that the cans and bottles are stored out of sight in odor-tight containers and all vehicle doors, windows and vents are closed.

### **36 CFR §2.11 – PICNICKING**

**(a) The following areas are closed to picnicking:**

- Muir Woods National Monument, except Muir Plaza (former upper main parking lot).
- Fort Point (inside Historic Fort)

Conditions for picnicking where allowed:

- Battery Wallace, Marin Headlands and West Bluff, Crissy Field are first come, first served picnic sites and do not require a permit for groups less than 50 people. No groups over 50 people.
- Black Point Battery and West Fort Miley picnic areas can be reserved. No minimum group size. Visitors can reserve these sites by calling the Office of Special Park Uses at (415) 561-4300.
- Groups of fifty (50) persons or more shall be considered special use and require a permit.
- **NOTE:** Permits will not be issued for groups of fifty (50) persons or more on weekends and holidays from March 15-October 15 at the following sites:

Marin County

- Muir Beach
- Muir Beach Overlook
- Rodeo Beach
- Stinson Beach

San Francisco

- Baker Beach
- China Beach

**36 CFR 2.13 – FIRES**

**(a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is generally prohibited, except as provided for in the following designated areas and/or receptacles, and under the conditions noted:**

**SPARE THE AIR DAYS**

- Mandatory curtailment for all fires: No person shall ignite, cause to be ignited, permit to be ignited, or maintain any recreational fires, including campfires, beach fires, outdoor grills during Spare the Air Days designated by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District when negative impact upon public health is anticipated between the months of November 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of February.  
<http://sparetheair.org/Make-a-Difference/Spare-the-Air-Every-Day/Winter.aspx>

**CAMPFIRES**

Designated Areas:

- Campfires are permitted only in established campgrounds or picnic areas that have fire enclosures, grill or fire grates provided by the park.
- NPS and park partners are allowed to have fires in approved portable containers and fixed fire pits with a programmatic element that interprets the Park. These fires will be set as part of a planned civic event or program designed to educate or otherwise benefit the public. The fire shall be set or allowed by park or partner employees, in the performance of their official duty.

Established Conditions for Campfires:

- All firewood must be brought into the park. No gathering, cutting or scavenging of firewood or kindling is permitted in the park from any source.
- Chemically treated wood, painted wood, wood with nails or staples shall not be used in any fire.
- No campfires are allowed when fire danger is high, very high, or extreme.

**BEACH FIRES**

Groups over 25 people require a permit. Call 561-4300.

Designated Beach Fire Areas:

- **MUIR BEACH:**
  - Fires permitted during day use (9:00am-one hour after sunset-time posted)
  - Only in fire rings provided by the park:
    - May-November maximum 6
    - December-April maximum 3

- **OCEAN BEACH: (Exhibit #12)**
  - Fires permitted from 6:00am-10:00pm only
  - Only in fire rings provided by the park between stairwell # 15-20

Established Conditions for Beach Fires:

- All firewood must be brought into the park. No gathering, cutting or scavenging of firewood or kindling is permitted in the park from any source.
- Fires must be above ground (no pit fires) and attended at all times.
- Chemically treated wood, painted wood, wood with nails or staples shall not be used in any fire.
- Debris burning is not permitted, **including Christmas trees.**
- Refuse must be removed from beach.
- Minors must be supervised. A responsible leader, 21 years or older, must be present for every 10 children under 18 years of age.
- Ceramic pit fires are prohibited.
- No Beach Fires are allowed when fire danger is high, very high, or extreme.

(a)(2) The following restrictions are in effect for the use of stoves or lanterns:

GRILL/STOVE FIRES

Receptacles Allowed:

- Fixed charcoal grills provided by the park and/or visitor's portable liquid fuel stoves or charcoal barbecues used only in established picnic areas, campgrounds, or beaches unless signed or permitted otherwise.
- Established Conditions for Grill/Stove Fires:
  - Debris burning is not permitted.
  - Portable charcoal and liquid fuel stoves are prohibited on Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow.
  - Only liquid fuel stoves are permitted in Haypress Campground, Hawk Campground and Bicentennial Campground.
  - No Grills (including park provided grills) or portable charcoal stoves are allowed when fire danger is very high or extreme.

(b) Fires must be extinguished according to the following conditions:

- Campfires will be completely extinguished with water, doused and stirred.
- Beach fires will be completely extinguished with water, doused and stirred. **Fires should not be covered with sand as it will only insulate the heat and create an unseen danger for visitors and wildlife.**
- Grill/Stove fire coals must be extinguished and disposed of in specifically marked receptacles provided by the park.

(c) Fire danger closures will be in effect as noted:

Fire danger closures will be in effect when fire danger rating is high, very high, or extreme:

- During very hot, dry weather conditions, "Spare the Air" days, strong winds, and extreme fire danger days or by order of the Superintendent, campfires and beach fires shall not be allowed anywhere in the park. All beach fire permits will become null and void.
- NOTE: Liquid fuel stoves are exempt from these closures. Park provided grills and portable charcoal stoves may be used when fire danger is high, but are not permitted when fire danger is very high or extreme. Visitors may call the park communication center (415-561-5510) to check on current conditions.

*Past events have demonstrated that the park experiences periods of increased fire danger, which require aggressive fire management. The purposes of these restrictions is to reduce human health hazards from a high level of air pollution, or the possibility of an uncontrolled wildfire and are in effect to protect the natural and cultural resources of the park, and the recreational enjoyment by other visitors.*

**NOTE:** No fires are allowed at Muir Woods National Monument under any condition, Special Regulation 36 CFR 7.6

**36 CFR §2.15 – PETS** <http://www.nps.gov/goga/parkmgmt/pets.htm>

**(a)(1) The following structures and/or areas are CLOSED to pets by the Superintendent:**

All park buildings and facilities, including outdoor restrooms and public showers.

Marin County

IN THE FORT BAKER AREA

- Chapel Trail
- Fort Baker Pier

IN THE MARIN HEADLANDS AREA

- Alta Trail (only between Oakwood Valley Trail intersection and Wolfback Ridge Road)
- Bicentennial Campground
- Bobcat Trail
- Coyote Ridge Trail
- Dias Ridge
- Fort Baker Pier
- Fox Trail
- Green Gulch Trail
- Hawk Campground and Trail
- Haypress Campground and Trail
- Kirby Cove area
- Lower Fisherman Trail & Beach
- Marincello Road
- Middle Green Gulch Trail
- Miwok Cutoff Trail
- Miwok Trail, between Wolf Ridge and Bobcat Trail
- Morning Sun Trail
- Old Springs Trail
- Point Bonita Lighthouse Trail
- Rodeo Avenue Trail
- Rodeo Beach Lagoon
- Rodeo Lake
- Rodeo Valley Trail
- SCA Trail
- Slacker Hill Trail
- Tennessee Valley Beach
- Tennessee Valley Trail from Parking Lot to Beach
- Upper Fisherman Trail & Beach

IN THE MUIR BEACH AREA

- Big Lagoon
- Owl Trail
- Redwood Creek

MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT AREA

- Muir Woods National Monument
- Redwood Creek Trail

IN THE STINSON BEACH AREA

- Coast Trail
- Dipsea Trail
- Matt Davis Trail
- McKennan Trail

- Willow Camp Fire Road
- Stinson Beach (beach only).

#### San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- IN THE CRISSY FIELD AREA
- Crissy Field Tidal Marsh and Lagoon
- IN THE UPPER FORT MASON AREA
- Community Garden
- IN THE FORT FUNSTON AREA
- Fort Funston Habitat Protection Area (Attachment)
  - Coastal Trail, intersection of Horse Trail to Great Highway, closed due to erosion.
- IN THE FORT POINT AREA
- Fort Point (inside historic fort)
  - Fort Point pier (Torpedo Wharf)
- IN THE PRESIDIO AREA A
- Battery to Bluffs Trail
  - China Beach
  - Lobos Creek
  - Marshall Beach

#### San Mateo County

- Phlegar Estate
- SWEENEY RIDGE AREA (**Exhibit #14**)
- Notch Trail

The above prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to:

- Emergency search and rescue missions or training exercises
- Law enforcement patrol or bomb dogs
- Service Animals as defined by 28 CFR part 35 section 34.104 and accompanying an individual with a Disability as define by 43 CFR Part 17.503. (NOTE: Crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of the definition of Service Animal but are considered "pets" with no access rights under federal statue.)

*These restrictions are for the purpose of the protection of irreplaceable natural resources. These areas provide vital habitat for marine life, shorebirds and large concentrations of water birds. Consistent with public health and safety, the protection of natural and cultural resources, and avoidance of conflict among visitor use activities, pets must be restricted. Pets are not considered compatible with the broad park goal of minimal resource impact or inherently suitable for adapting quickly to a strange environment often involving close association with strange persons or animals. It is recognized that many park visitors have pets and they are permitted where they do not jeopardize basic park values. This restriction on pets will provide important areas of reduced disturbance for resting and feeding water and shorebirds and other marine wildlife.*

#### **(a)(3) Pets may be left tied to an object under the following conditions:**

- Pets may be tied and left unattended using the bollards at the Warming Hut at Crissy Field
- Pets will not be left unattended in areas or in circumstances that they will create a nuisance to other visitors or cause disturbance to wildlife.
- Pets will not be left in areas where food, water, shade, ventilation and other basic needs are inadequate.

*This requirement is intended to ensure pets do not harass wildlife or disturb park visitors and also to ensure pets are properly cared for in the park.*

**(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:**

- In all areas of the park pet excrement shall be removed immediately from the park or deposited in a refuse container by the person(s) controlling the pet(s).

**(e) Pets may be kept by park residents under the following conditions:**

- Pets may be kept by permanent residents of park areas consistent with provisions of this section, the Compendium and in accordance with Golden Gate National Recreation Area Housing Management Plan.

**36 CFR §2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS**

**(a) The use of horses or pack animals is permitted on the following trails, routes or areas:**

Marin County

MARIN HEADLANDS

- Alta Trail
- Bobcat Trail
- Bunker Road
- Coastal Fire Road
- Coastal Trail:
  - McCullough Rd. to Slacker Hill (vista point only)
  - Julian Fire Road (McCullough to Rifle Range)
  - From Visitor Center to Rodeo Beach.
- Countyview Road
- Coyote Ridge Trail
- Conzelman Road
- Dias Ridge Trail
- Field Road
- Fox Trail
- Green Gulch Trail
- Haypress Campground and Trail
- Hawk Camp and Trail
- Marincello Fire Road
- Miwok Trail
- Miwok Connector Trail (across from Rifle Range) to be constructed 2011
- Oakwood Valley Road
- Old Springs Trail
- Rodeo Valley Connector Trail (off Bunker Road) to be constructed 2011
- Rodeo Avenue: US 101 to Alta Avenue
- Rodeo Beach
- Rodeo Valley Trail
- Smith Road
- Tennessee Valley Fire Road and Trail (except lower valley trail)

MT. TAMALPAIS AREA

- Coastal Trail-Bob Cook between apple orchard and Bolinas Ridge Trail
- Bolinas Ridge Trail
- Dipsea (Deer Park Fire Road)
- McKennan Trail
- Muir Beach Area
- Willow Camp Fire Road

#### San Francisco

- Ocean Beach
- Fort Funston
- Fort Funston Beach

#### San Mateo

- Milagra Ridge (except Summit Trail)
- Mori Point
  - Old Mori Road
  - Upper Mori Trail
  - Lishumsha Trail
  - Coastal Trail
- Phleger Estate
- Sweeney Ridge, except Notch Trail

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users.*

### **36 CFR §2.20 – SKATING, SKATEBOARDS and SIMILAR DEVICES**

#### Marin County

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Marin Headlands
  - Conzlemen Road
  - McCullough Road
  - Marine Mammal Center
  - Muir Woods National Monument
  - Nike Missile Site
  - Rodeo Beach parking lot
  - On any historic military coastal defense battery, emplacement or structure
  - Stairs, walkways, benches, sea walls, seat walls, railings, ramps or curbs.

#### San Francisco

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Alcatraz Island
- Fort Point National Historic Site (inside Fort)
- Fort Miley (East & West)
- Land's End
  - Paved sidewalks
  - Merrie Way Parking Lot
  - Navy Memorial Overlook
- On any historic military coastal defense battery, emplacement or structure
- Stairs, walkways, benches, sea walls, seat walls, railings, ramps or curbs.

#### San Mateo

Roller skates, skateboards or similar non-motorized devices are permitted on hard surfaces wherever pedestrian traffic is allowed with the exception of:

- Sweeney Ridge
  - Historic Buildings and Bunkers
- Milagra Ridge
  - Historic Bunkers

- Mori Point
  - Historic Bunkers

All Extreme skateboarding, e.g. mountain boarding, roll surfing, dirt surfing or sport-sailing is prohibited.

The use of any purpose-built vehicle powered by a traction kite (power kite) e.g. Kite buggy, Land surfing or Land sailing are prohibited.

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce any possible conflict between users, protect natural, cultural and archeological resources, and for public safety concerns. Power kiting and extreme boarding of any type can allow passage across most every type of terrain and at greater speeds powered by the wind and therefore subject to its own levels and degrees of danger. In consideration of the increased potential for resource damage, threat to wildlife and the health and safety of visitors these activities are prohibited.*

### **36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING**

#### **(a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking:**

- All smoking within the Concession facilities providing food service will comply with all local and State ordinances and regulations.
- Smoking is allowed at designated employee break areas in the park, including Muir Woods National Monument and Alcatraz Island.
- Smoking is prohibited on or at:
  - All government buildings/facilities/vehicles (excluding residences and designated smoking areas).
  - All park partner/tenant facilities (excluding residences and designated smoking areas).
  - Alcatraz Island, except in the designated dock area.
  - Fort Point NHS (within the historic fort)
  - Muir Woods National Monument, except parking areas only. NOTE: During extreme fire danger periods' public smoking is entirely prohibited throughout the Monument (including parking areas). NOTE: Employees may still smoke in designated break areas during extreme fire danger, but must be extra cautious.
- When fire danger is extreme, smoking is prohibited on all trails within all areas of Golden Gate NRA.

*These restrictions are intended to protect park resources, reduce the risk of fire and prevent conflicts among visitor use activities.*

### **36 CFR §2.23 – RECREATION FEES <http://www.nps.gov/goga/playourvisit/feesandreservations.htm>**

#### **(b) Recreation fees, and/or a permit, in accordance with 36 CFR part 71, are established for the following entrance fee areas, and/or for the use of the following specialized sites, facilities, equipment or services, or for participation in the following group activity, recreation events or specialized recreation uses:**

##### **Entrance Fee Areas:**

##### Muir Woods National Monument

- Individuals 16 years of age and older: \$7.00 per day, under 16 is free.
- Local Passport is good for 12 months and admits pass holder and all accompanying passengers in a private vehicle for an annual fee of \$20.00.
- Interagency senior, access, and annual pass – admission free with pass in possession and applies to all vehicle occupants.



#### Alcatraz Island

- Tickets must be purchased through contract ferry service, Alcatraz Cruises.  
<http://www.alcatrazcruises.com/>.

#### **Expanded Amenity Fee** (Such as but not limited to parking fees in designated parking lots)

- Battery East Parking – \$1d/hr or \$6d/day between the hours of 10am – 5pm (except Federally observed holidays)
- West Bluff Parking – Monday thru Friday 3-hour parking limit. Saturday and Sunday \$1d/hr or \$6d/day, between the hours of 10am – 5pm (except Federally observed holidays)

#### **Special Recreation Permit Fee** (Such as but not limited to group activities, recreation and special events or ceremonies):

Activities that require a special use permit: <http://www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/specialuses.htm>

- Festivals, Concerts, Athletic Events and Commercial Filming.
- Weddings and ceremonies
- Use of conference centers & reception facilities
  - Alcatraz Island
  - Fort Mason Chapel

Fort Mason Officer's Club (managed by Next Course)

**NOTE: Outdoor ceremonies only at the first-come, first-served picnic sites at Battery Wallace and the West Bluff picnic area that meet all the qualifications of a picnic for under 50 people and do not have any equipment except that associated with the picnic (i.e. no stage, no band, no rice thrown, no catering, etc.) do not need a permit. Please look at the links for details about regulations, including a list of prohibited flowers.**

*The authority to require a permit under this section is provided in §71.2. Examples of specialized recreation uses might be: foot or bicycle races, festivals, filming, etc.*

#### **36 CFR §2.35 –ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

**(a)(3)(i) The following public use areas, portions of public use areas, and/or public facilities within the park are closed to consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or to the possession of a bottle, can or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or has been opened, or whose seal has been broken or the contents of which have been partially removed, except under special use permit :**

##### Marin County

- Muir Woods National Monument

##### San Francisco

- Alcatraz Island
- Kegs are prohibited in Upper Fort Mason Great Meadow
- Fort Point National Historic Site (inside the Fort)
- Navy Memorial Parking
- Merrie Way Parking Lot and Sidewalks
- Sutro Baths
- Ocean Beach, including Walkways and Seawall.

*Special prohibitions at Ocean Beach, Sutro Baths, Merrie Way, Navy Memorial, and the Great Meadow are required due to the history of aberrant behavior directly attributed to the use of alcohol which has led to assaults, unruly crowds, disorderly conduct, and vandalism to both public and private property. Prohibition at Fort Point NHS, Muir Woods NM and Alcatraz Island is intended to reduce conflict between users and enhance visitor safety.*

### 36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION

(b) A permit for disposition of cremated remains is required. Permits will be issued for pre-designated areas only. In addition to specific site conditions, the following general terms and conditions apply to all permit applications:

Permit conditions:

- A permit for disposition shall be issued under this section only upon the signed acknowledgement by the person making application that resource protection laws apply to the disposition and that the permit gives no right of unrestricted access to park lands or that remains should remain undisturbed for perpetuity.
- All applicable California State laws for disposition of cremated remains apply.
- Remains to be scattered must have been cremated and pulverized.
- The scattering of remains by persons on the ground is to be performed at least 10 yards from any trail, road, developed facility, or 25 yards from any interior body of water.
- Scattering shall be distributed in general areas so as not to create a memorial or resource damage.
- The scattering of remains from the air is to be performed at a minimum altitude of 2000 feet above the ground.
- No scattering of remains from the air is to be performed over developed areas, facilities, or bodies of water.
- The scattering of remains is prohibited from any bridge, pier, in lake, lagoon or stream, and along beaches.
- The scattering of remains is **prohibited within Muir Woods National Monument.**

## **PART 3 – BOATING AND WATER USE ACTIVITIES**

### 36 CFR §3.8 – PROHIBITED OPERATIONS

(a)(2) The following areas/sites are designated for the launching or recovery of vessels using a trailer:

- Horseshoe Cove, Fort Baker boat launch

(d)(3) Vessels may not create a wake or exceed 5 mph in the following areas:

- Horseshoe Cove, Fort Baker

*Prohibitions or restrictions do not apply to US Army Corp of Engineer operations or U.S. Coast Guard or other emergency search and rescue missions.*

### 36 CFR §3.16 –May I swim or wade in park waters?

(a) The following areas are closed to swimming and bathing:

Marin Headlands

- Rodeo Lagoon and seasonal inlet
- Rodeo Lake
- Tennessee Valley pond (next to beach)
- Muir Beach (All water bodies, including Redwood Creek, lagoon, and other features)

Mt. Tamalpais Area

- Muir Woods National Monument, Redwood Creek (Muir Woods to Ocean)
- Muir Beach Big Lagoon and seasonal inlet

San Francisco

- Lobos Creek, Baker Beach Presidio
- Crissy Marsh, south of inlet bridge

## San Mateo

- Mori Point ponds, Mori Point

*The Endangered Species Act and the Organic Act require special protection from the threatened and endangered species and the anadromous fish found in these areas. In addition, this use is not compatible with the protection of wildlife found in and on these waters, or the protection of drinking water quality. This is designed to minimize shoreline erosion at the designated sites and protection of visitor and their pets from occasional poor water quality conditions.*

### 36 CFR §3.17 –What regulations apply to swimming areas and beaches?

**(a)** Stinson Beach is designated as a swimming beach.

**(b) Surfing:** Restricted at Stinson Beach, including Kite surfing and kite boarding, when swimmers are present, and allowed only in areas designated as "Non Swimming Areas" and only at such times as are deemed safe by the Supervisory Ranger or by his/her representative

### (c) The use of flotation devices, glass containers, kites, or incompatible sporting activities is not permitted on the following swimming beaches:

- Stinson Beach
  - Flotation devices (inner tubes, air mattresses, boats, rafts, etc.)
  - Glass containers
  - During periods of high visitation and limited open space, incompatible sporting activities such as ball games, kite flying, foot racing, Frisbee will be prohibited. When allowed during periods of lesser visitation, such activities may be restricted to a designated area.

*The park receives millions of visitors per year. These restrictions are intended to reduce conflict between users, the amount of injurious debris, and to protect the safety of the visiting public.*

## **PART 4 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

### 36 CFR §4.10 – TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND ROUTES

**(a) Park roads, open for travel by motor vehicle are those indicated below, and/or as indicated in the following publication or document:**

- Park maps and brochures can be found on <http://www.nps.gov/goga>.

**(b) The following routes and/or areas, designated pursuant to special regulations, are open for off-road vehicle travel under the terms and conditions noted:**

- Electric powered mobility assistance devices (e.g. electric scooters or Segway devices) only for the purpose of transporting persons with disabilities are permitted on park roadways and walkways.

The use of Segways and motorized scooters as a mobility assistive device, as outlined above, must also adhere to the following:

- (a) No person under 16 years of age may operate Segways, without adult supervision
- (b) A person shall operate any mobility assistive device in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed more than 12 miles per hour, so as not to endanger one's self or other park visitors.
- (c) A person riding any mobility assistive device on a sidewalk, while crossing a roadway in a crosswalk, entering or exiting an elevator, boarding a vessel, or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under CA VC § 467.  
<http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/vctop/d01/vc467.htm>

### **36 CFR §4.11 – VEHICLE LOAD, WEIGHT and SIZE LIMITS**

(a) The following load, weight and size limits, which are more restrictive than State law, apply to the roads indicated under the terms and conditions, and/or under permit as noted:

Oversized vehicles (over 24 feet), buses, and vehicles with trailers are prohibited in the Marin Headlands on Conzelman road west of the McCullough road intersection and on Lower Conzelman road and parking lot adjacent to Golden Gate Bridge contingent with Project Headlands construction closures.

Vehicles longer than 35 feet are prohibited from entering Muir Woods NM.

Vehicles longer than 17 feet are prohibited from entering Muir Woods annex parking lot and Conlon Avenue parking area, Muir Beach parking lot and West Bluff Parking, Crissy Field.

Crissy Field East Beach – no vehicles over 24 feet, except school buses or other vehicles operated by nonprofit organizations supporting educational programs in NPS areas.

SEE PART 5 - BUSINESS OPERATIONS, Commercial Use Authorizations for specific conditions and size limits for vehicles on roads and parking lots.

*These size limits are due to the availability of turning radius' on these roads and parking lots in the designated areas. The steep grade of the one way section of Conzelman road prevents the use of oversized vehicles and weights to maintain the established speed limit.*

### **36 CFR §4.21 – SPEED LIMITS**

**(b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:**

The maximum speed limit on paved park roads is 35 mph unless otherwise posted.

The maximum speed limit on graded park roads is 25 mph unless otherwise posted.

Old Mori Point Road is 10 mph with NPS escort vehicle only.

The speed limit for the **bicycles** in developed areas is 15 mph and 5 mph around blind curves on the following:

#### San Francisco

- Great Meadow, Fort Mason
- Mason Avenue Bike Path on Sidewalk, Crissy Field
- Crissy Field Promenade
- McDowell Road, Fort Mason

NOTE: See §7.97(c) for bicycle speed limits in non-developed areas.

*Variations from the speed limit designations in the general regulations have been made where road conditions allow either a higher speed without jeopardizing public safety, or require a lower speed limit for public safety and to prevent road deterioration. Speed limit on Mori Point road to prevent mortality or injury of federally endangered snakes.*

### **36 CFR §4.30 – BICYCLES**

**(d)(3) WHERE CAN I RIDE A BICYCLE ABREAST OF ANOTHER RIDER?**

#### San Francisco

- Crissy Field Promenade except during special use permit activities.

NOTE: Special regulations pertaining to the use, speed, and equipment associated with bicycles in non-developed areas in Golden Gate National Recreation Area are found in 36 CFR § 7.97(c) and were published in the Federal Register on December 11, 1992 (57 FR 58711).

### **36 CFR §4.31 – HITCHHIKING**

Hitchhiking is permitted in the following areas:

#### Marin County

- Marin Headlands

*San Francisco Muni Public transportation to the Marin Headlands is available on Sundays only. The Baker/Barry tunnel is a one-way traffic controlled tunnel for motor vehicles with bicycle lanes in both directions, and therefore not appropriate to allow pedestrian traffic. By permitting hitchhiking in the Marin Headlands, those visitors without personal transportation visiting the Youth Hostel and other overnight camping facilities will not be forced into non-compliance with other applicable regulations.*

## **PART 5 – COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE OPERATIONS**

### **36 CFR §5.3 – BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

Engaging in any business in the park, except in accordance with a permit is prohibited:

**COMMERCIAL CARRIERS:** Motor vehicles that have frequent use for commercial transportation service to areas administered by GGNRA are considered Commercial Carriers and subject to a Commercial Use Authorization issued by the Superintendent.

<http://www.nps.gov/goqa/parkmgmt/businesswithpark.htm>

- See §4.11 of this compendium for vehicle load, weight and size limits.
- The following exceptions apply in which operators may use public roads within NPS areas without a Commercial Use Authorization: taxis; school buses and vehicles operated by nonprofit organizations supporting educational programs in NPS areas; delivery, vendor or contractor vehicles; and MUNI Transit providing public transportation.
- Idling Commercial Carriers for more than 30 seconds while loading, unloading or waiting for passengers is prohibited. Vehicle engines must remain off until all passengers have re-boarded and the vehicle is ready for departure.
- The following special conditions apply to the areas within GGNRA as noted:

#### **MUIR WOODS NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Commercial Carriers are subject to restricted access and restricted parking at Muir Woods NM as follows:

- No more than 3 Commercial Carriers authorized under the same CUA (i.e. same company) are allowed in Muir Woods at the same time.
- Main Parking Lot: Commercial Carriers that are 17 feet in length or less are prohibited from parking in stalls designated for those greater than 17 feet in length. All designated parking for Commercial Carriers will be open to public parking after 4pm.
- Annex Parking Lot: No designated parking – Commercial Carriers are prohibited.
- Conlon Avenue Parking Area: Designated parking for Commercial Carriers 17 feet in length or less ONLY. Commercial Carriers longer than 17 feet in length are prohibited.
- Offloading and Loading: Commercial Carrier offloading and loading is permitted only in designated stalls in the Main Parking Lot.

#### **SAN FRANCISCO**

- The following roadways, pullouts and parking lots are available only to Commercial Carriers under 35 feet:
  - Battery Chamberlin Road, Baker Beach
  - West Bluff parking, Crissy Field
  - Langdon Court, Fort Scott Overlook

*The purpose of the designating which roadways are available for different lengths of buses is for the traffic safety and protection of roads and surfaces on roads or parking areas not designed to carry larger size vehicles or provide for safe passing & turn around. The purpose of restricting Commercial Carriers to three*

(3) per company, is to reduce congestion in the designated commercial carrier parking area and to continue providing a positive visitor experience overall.

The idling of bus engines adds unnecessary exhaust fumes to the air and diminishes the enjoyment by visitors of the peace and tranquility of the park. Due to the nature of the service provided by the shuttle busses, they are excluded from the requirement.

## **PART 7 – SPECIAL REGULATIONS**

### **36 CFR § 7.6 No fires or fishing at Muir Woods National Monument**

[http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr\\_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.6.htm](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.6.htm)

**36 CFR § 7.97** [http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr\\_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.97.htm](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr_2009/julqtr/36cfr7.97.htm)

**(a) BOAT LANDINGS ON ALCATRAZ ISLAND:** Boat landings--Alcatraz Island. Except in emergencies, the docking of any privately-owned vessel or the landing of any person at Alcatraz Island without a permit or contract is prohibited.

**(b) POWERLESS FLIGHT: The use of devices designed to carry persons through the air in powerless flight is allowed at the following locations pursuant to terms and conditions of a permit:** Hang gliding launching and landing is permitted only within designated areas of Fort Funston. Paragliding launching and landing is permitted only within designated areas on the Olympic Club Easement (Fort Funston Stables) and at Mori Point. For more information on these permitted, contact the Business Management Division and/or visit the following websites: Fellow Feathers Hang Gliding ([www.flyfunston.org](http://www.flyfunston.org)) Bay Area Paragliding Association (<http://sfbapa.org>)

### **(c)(1) DESIGNATED BICYCLE ROUTES:**

- The following routes in undeveloped areas are designated as open to bicycles:

#### **Marin County**

##### **MARIN HEADLANDS**

- Alta Trail between Spencer Ave and Marin City.
- Baker-Barry Tunnel
- Battery Smith-Guthrie Loop
- Bay Trail between Golden Gate Bridge and Sausalito.
- Bobcat Trail between Miwok Trail and Marincello Road.
- Rodeo Valley Trail between Capeheart Bridge and Bobcat Trail.
- Capehart and Smith Road Bridges connecting Bunker Road to Rodeo Valley Trail
- Bunker Road Extension (adjacent to the Roads & Trails Maintenance Yard to Battery Townsley)
- Coastal Trail from McCullough Road to Slacker Hill.
- Coastal Trail between Conzelman Road at McCullough and the Fort Barry Rifle Range at Bunker Road (Julian Fire Road).
- Coastal Trail between Rodeo Beach Parking and Hill 88.
- Coastal Trail between Tennessee Valley Trail and Coyote Ridge Trail.
- Coyote Ridge Trail between the Coastal Trail and Miwok Trail.
- Coyote Ridge Trail between the Fox Trail and the Coastal Trail at the Hack Site.
- Coastal Trail between Coyote Ridge Trail at the Hack Site and Muir Beach.
- Drown Road, Fort Baker
- Hawk Camp Trail between Bobcat Trail and Hawk Camp.
- Haypress Road between Tennessee Valley Road and Haypress Campground.
- Kirby Cove Road, between Conzelman and Kirby Cove Campground
- Marincello Road between Tennessee Valley Parking Area and Bobcat Trail.
- Miwok Trail between Rodeo Lagoon and Old Springs Trail
- Miwok Trail between Miwok Stable and Highway 1

- Oakwood Valley Road between Tennessee Valley Road and Oakwood Pond (Does not include Oakwood Valley Trail between Pond and Alta Avenue.)
- Old Springs Trail between Miwok Trail and Miwok Stable.
- Rodeo Avenue between US Highway 101 and Alta Avenue
- Marin Drive/Smith Road between Marinview and Miwok Trail
- Tennessee Valley Trail between Parking Lot and Tennessee Beach

**MUIR WOODS NM / MT. TAMALPAIS AREA**

- Deer Park Fire Road between Frank's Valley Road and Coastal Trail near Pan Toll (Major portion is in Mt. Tamalpais State Park.)
- Diaz Ridge Trail between Mt. Tamalpais State Park boundary and Highway 1 near Muir Beach.

**STINSON BEACH**

- Willow Camp Fire Road between Stinson Beach and Ridgecrest Boulevard. (Major portion is in Mt. Tamalpais State Park.)

**San Francisco**

**PRESIDIO**

- Coastal Trail, Baker Beach, except Battery to Bluffs Trail Section
- Coastal Trail, Fort Point, except Battery East trail

**LAND'S END**

- Coastal Trail, Land's End up to, but not including, hiking only portion.
- El Camino Del Mar Trail, Land's End

**FORT FUNSTON**

- Sunset Trail, Fort Funston

**San Mateo County**

**MORI POINT**

- Lishumsha Trail
- Old Mori Point Road

**MILAGRA RIDGE**

- Coastal Trail, Milagra Ridge
- Milagra Ridge Overlook Trail
- Milagra Ridge Trail

**SWEENEY RIDGE**

- Baquiano Trail
- Mori Ridge Trail
- Sweeney Ridge Trail, except Notch Trail portion

**(d) SNOWY PLOVER PROTECTION:**

In the Crissy Field Wildlife Protection Area and Ocean Beach Snowy Protection Area:

Dogs are required to be on leash all year except from May 15 to July 1.

## **COMPENDIUM EXHIBITS**

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**Exhibit 1  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Fort Baker**

Golden Gate National Recreation Area  
National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior

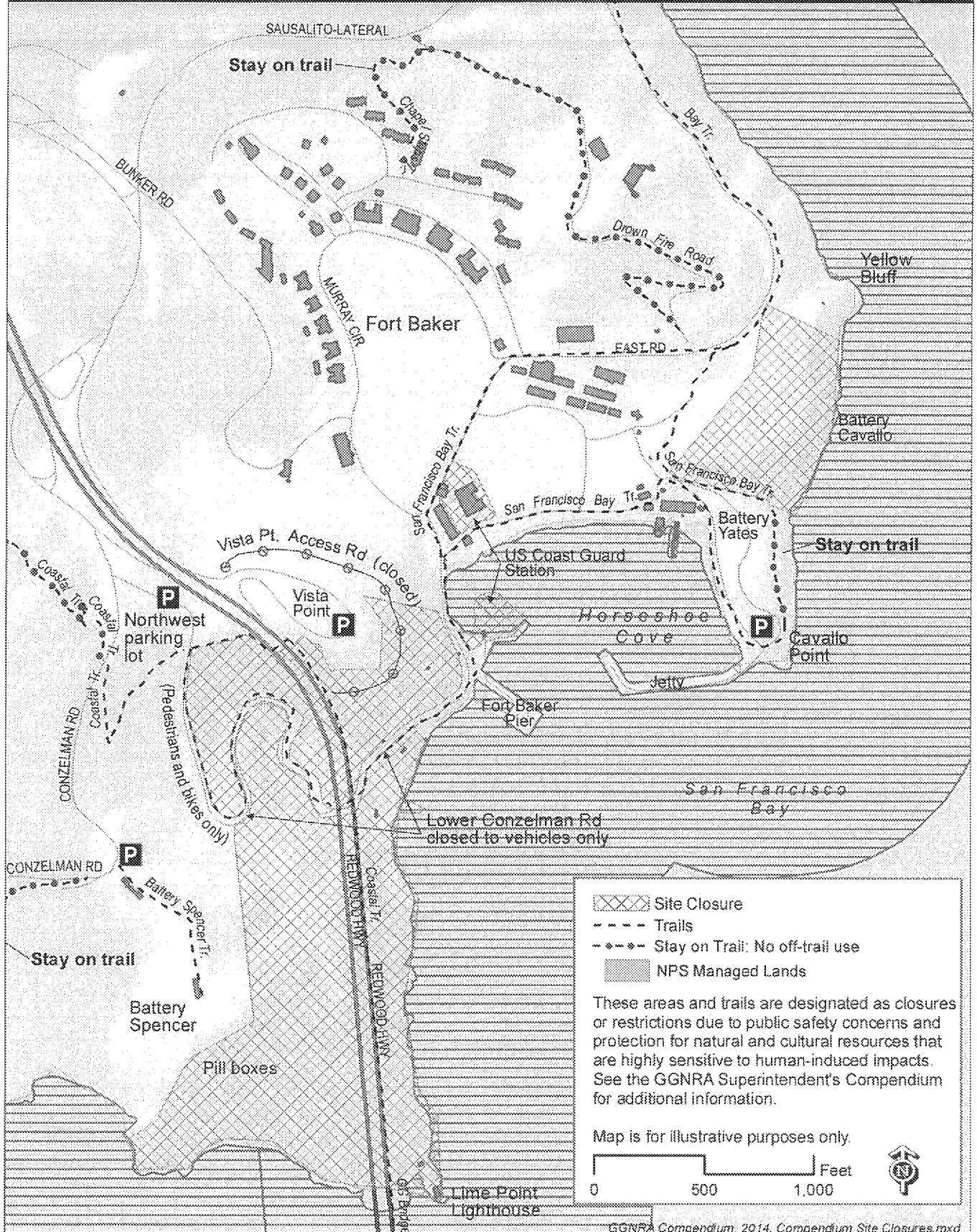
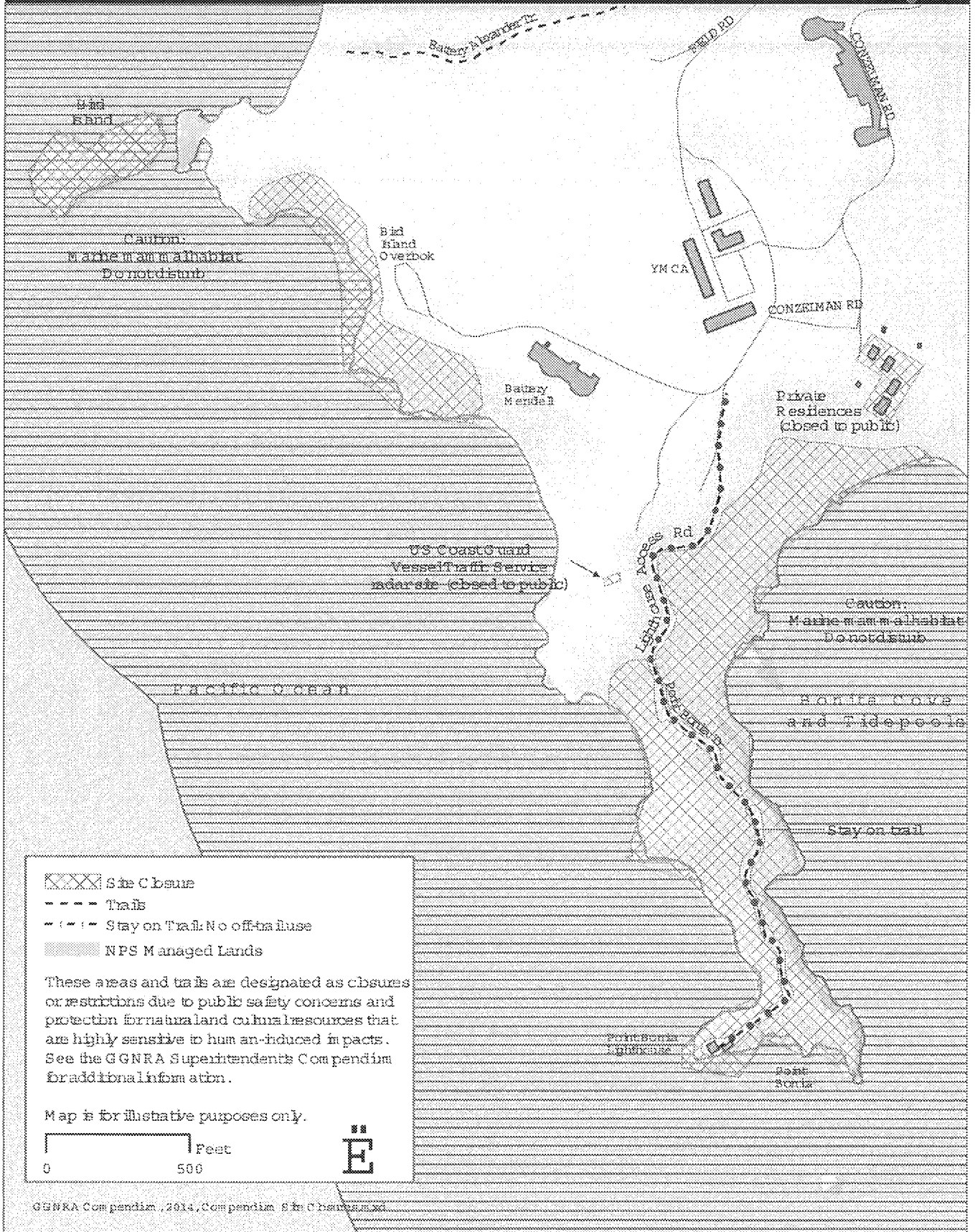


Exhibit 2  
 Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
 Point Bonita

Golden Gate National Recreation Area  
 National Park Service  
 U.S. Department of the Interior



XXXX Site Closure  
 - - - - Trails  
 - · - · - Stay on Trail/No off-trail use  
 NPS Managed Lands

These areas and trails are designated as closures or restrictions due to public safety concerns and protection for natural and cultural resources that are highly sensitive to human-induced impacts. See the GGNRA Superintendent's Compendium for additional information.

Map is for illustrative purposes only.

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**Exhibit 3**  
**Bird Nesting Season Closure and Trail Restrictions**  
**Alcatraz Island**

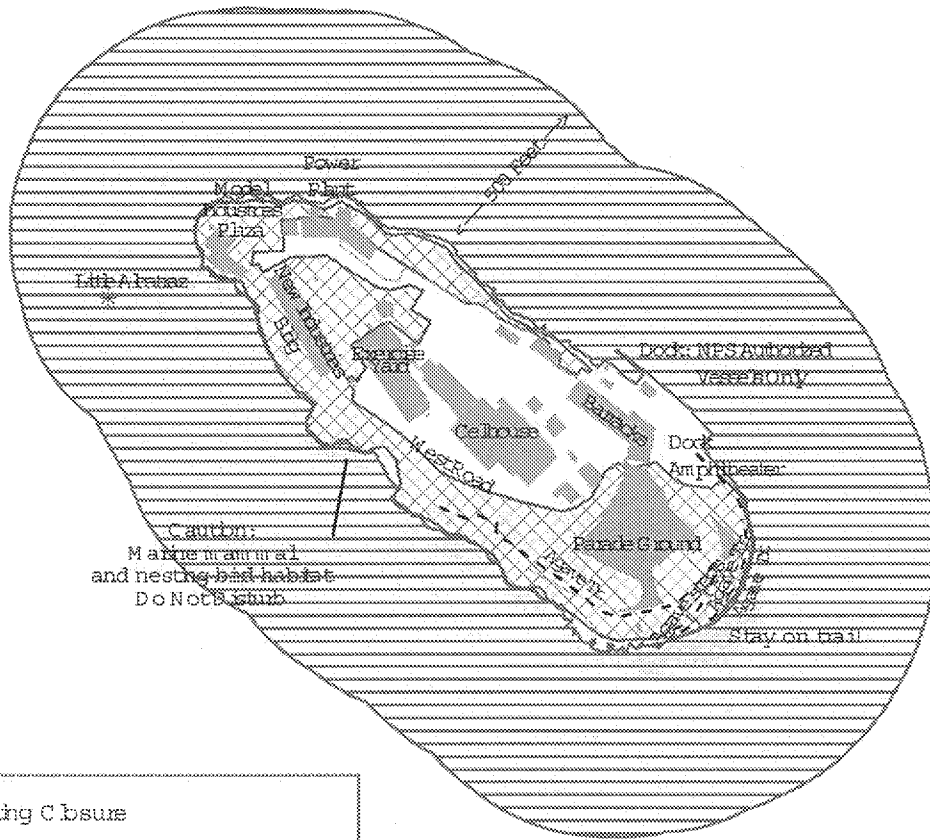
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



San Francisco Bay

**No vessel landings permitted on Alcatraz Island**

**Caution: Alcatraz is marine mammal and nesting bird habitat**  
**Do not disturb wildlife**



 Bird Nesting Closure  
 Stay on Trail; No off-trail use  
 Public access may be restricted in this area during bird nesting season of approximately February 1 through September 15, or as determined by the park's wildlife specialist. Additional restrictions may occur throughout the year as needed to protect wildlife, cultural resources, and public safety. See the GGNRA Superintendent's Compendium for additional information.  
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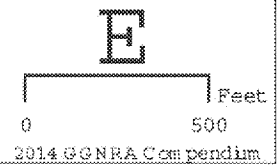


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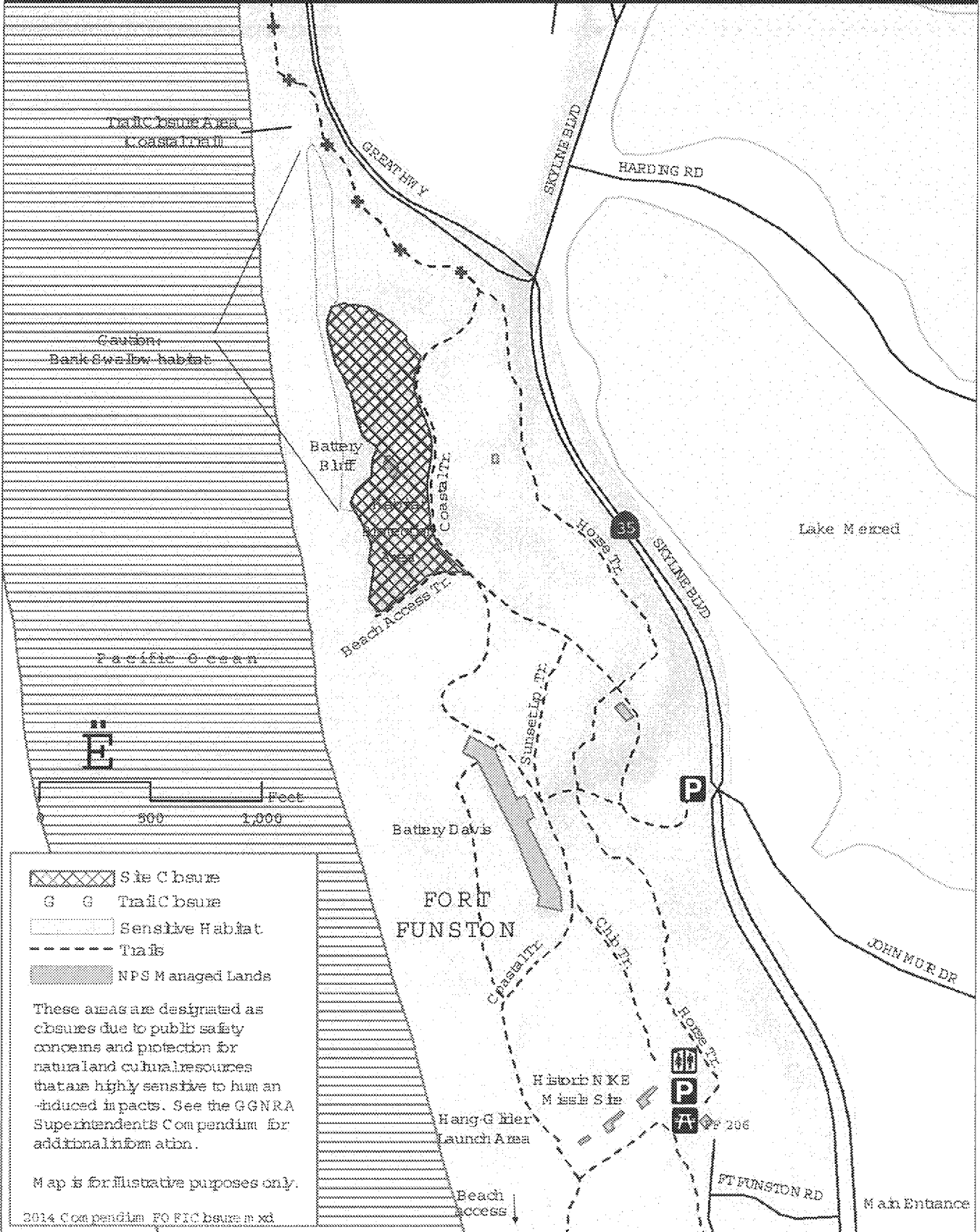


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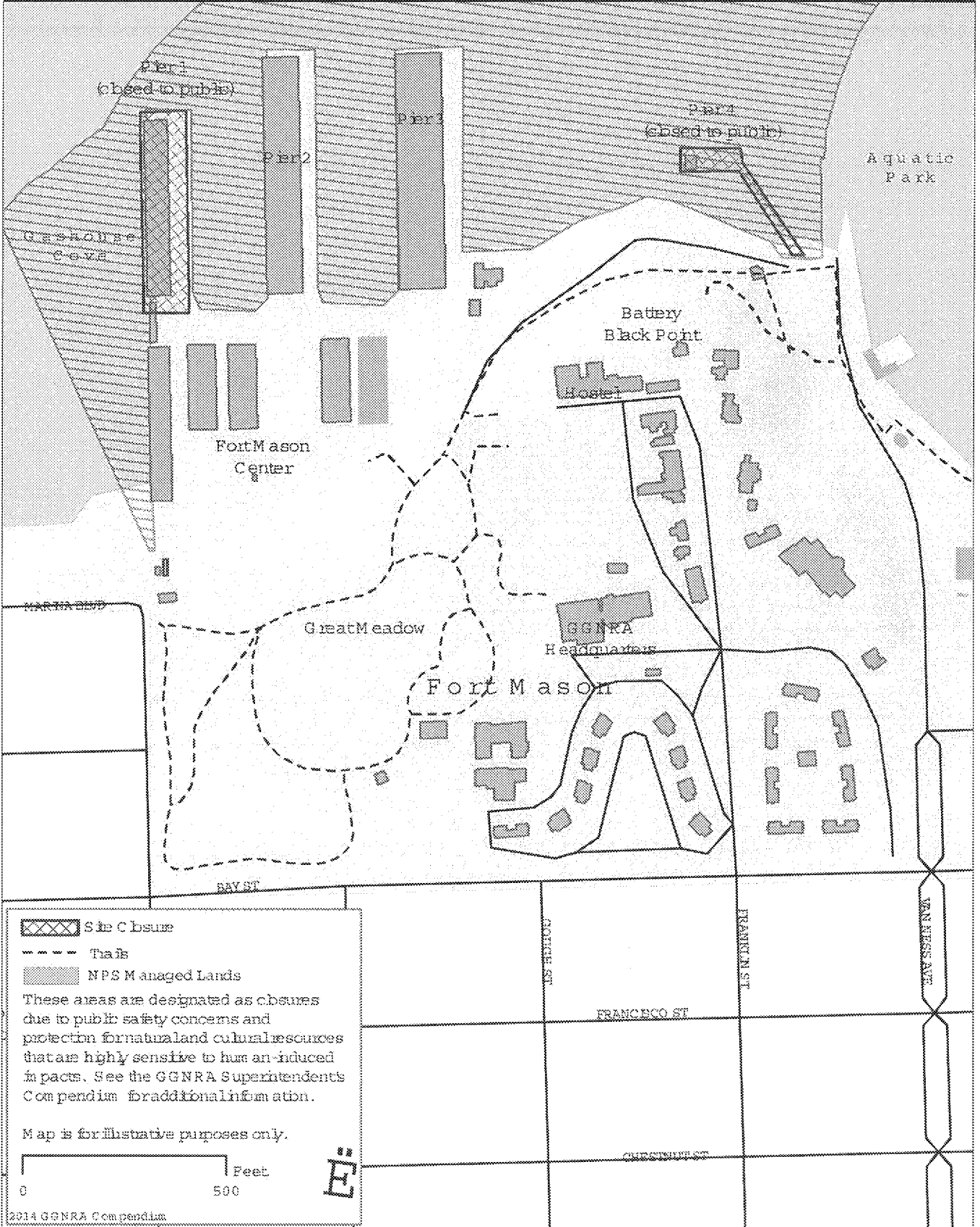


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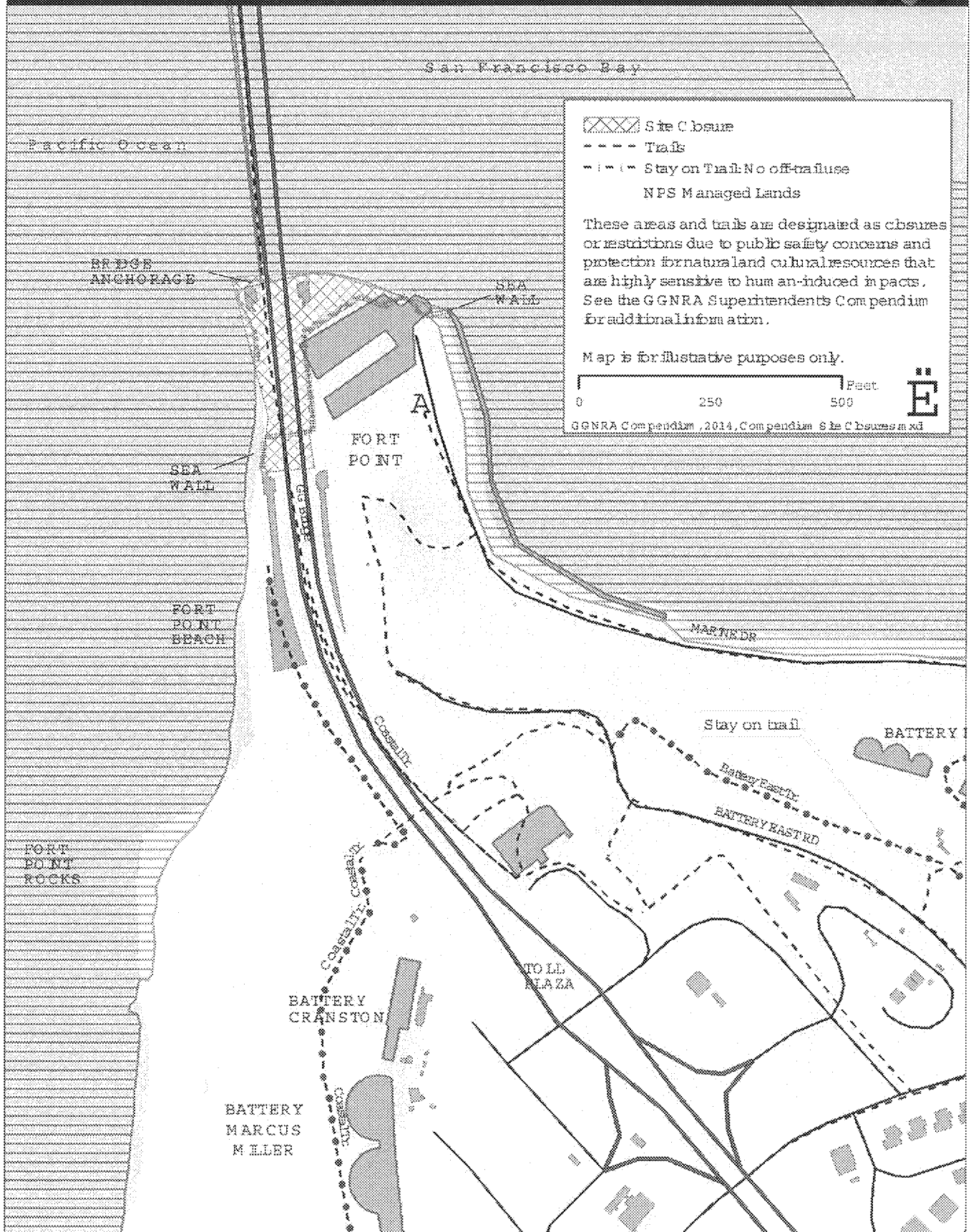
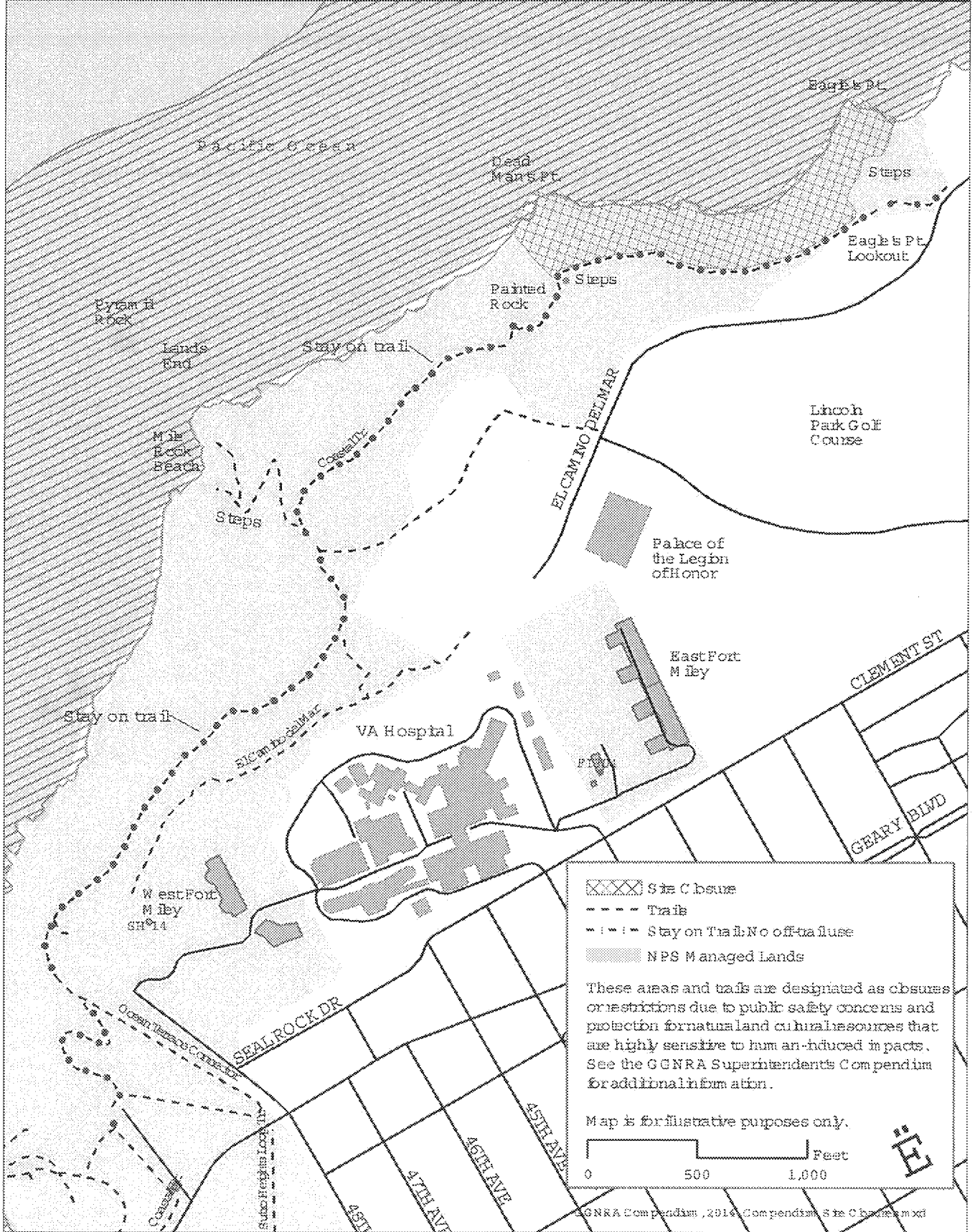


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**Site Closures and Trail Restrictions**  
**Lobos Creek**

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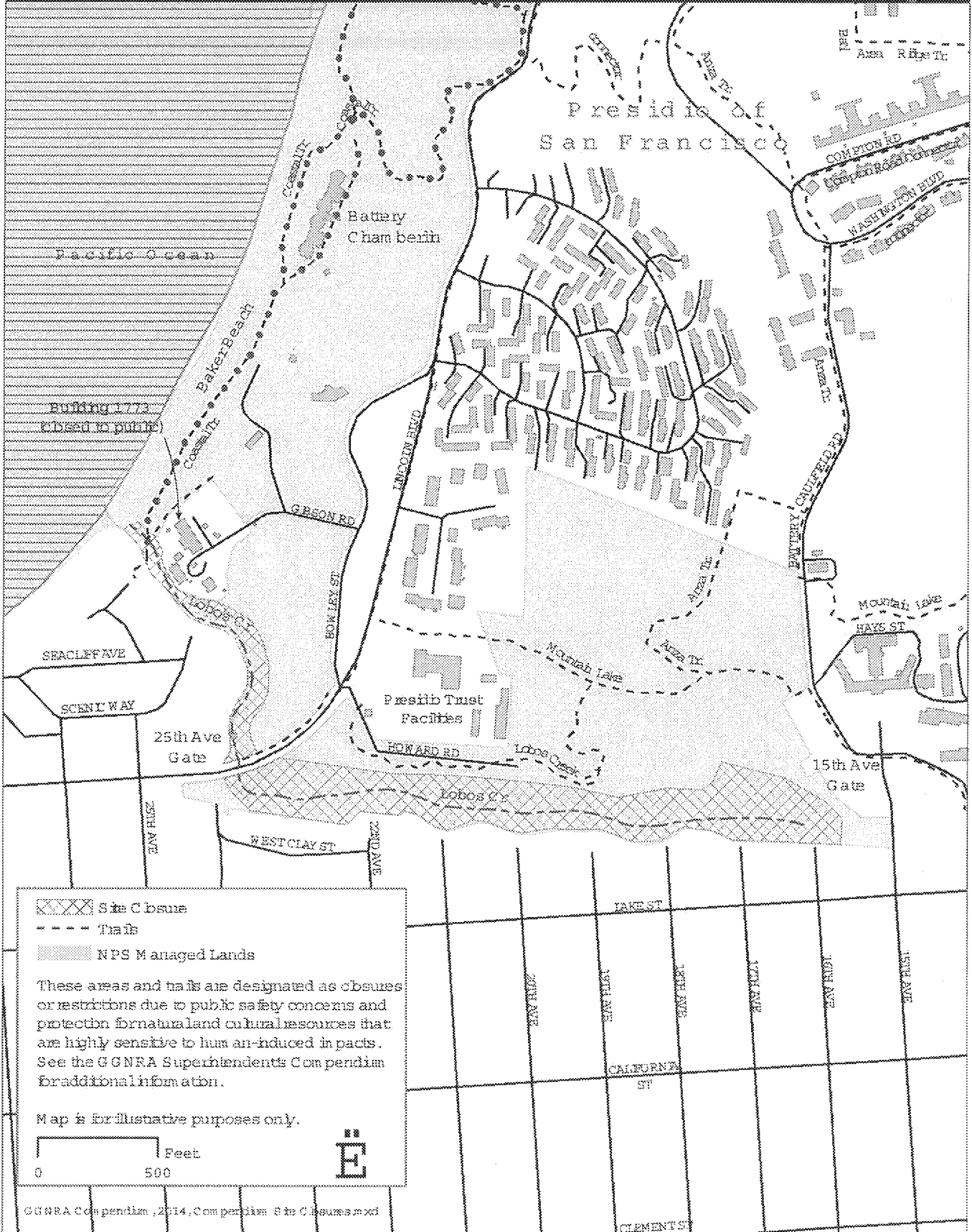
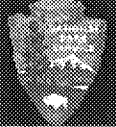
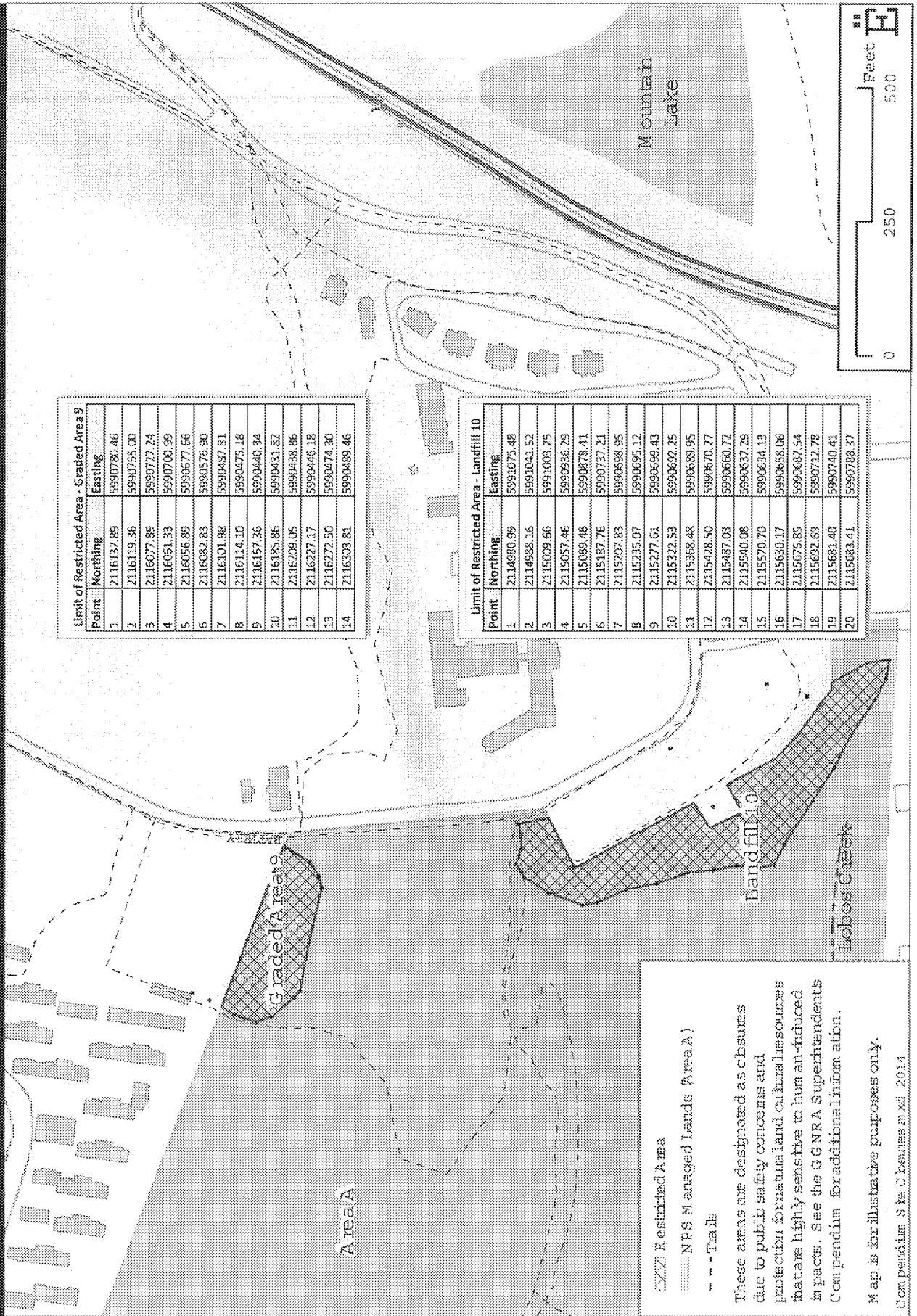




Exhibit 9

Restrictions on Digging Due to Remediation  
Presidio of San Francisco

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Restricted Area

NPS Managed Lands (Area A)

Tie Line

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Limit of Restricted Area - Graded Area 9		
Point	Northing	Easting
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3	2116077.89	5990727.24
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6	2116082.83	5990576.90
7	2116101.98	5990487.81
8	2116114.10	5990475.18
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3	2115009.66	5991003.25
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5	2115089.48	5990878.41
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8	2115235.07	5990695.12
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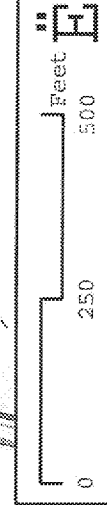
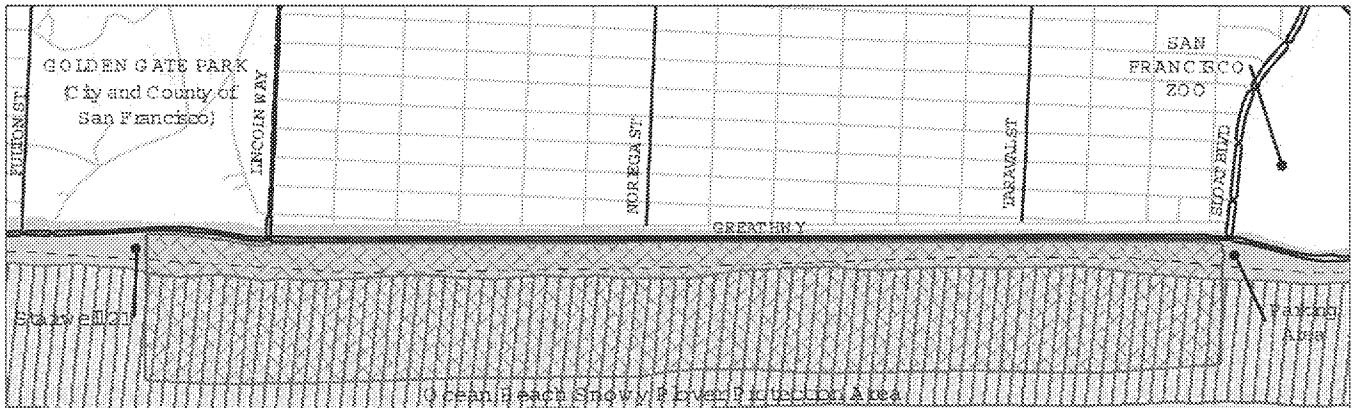
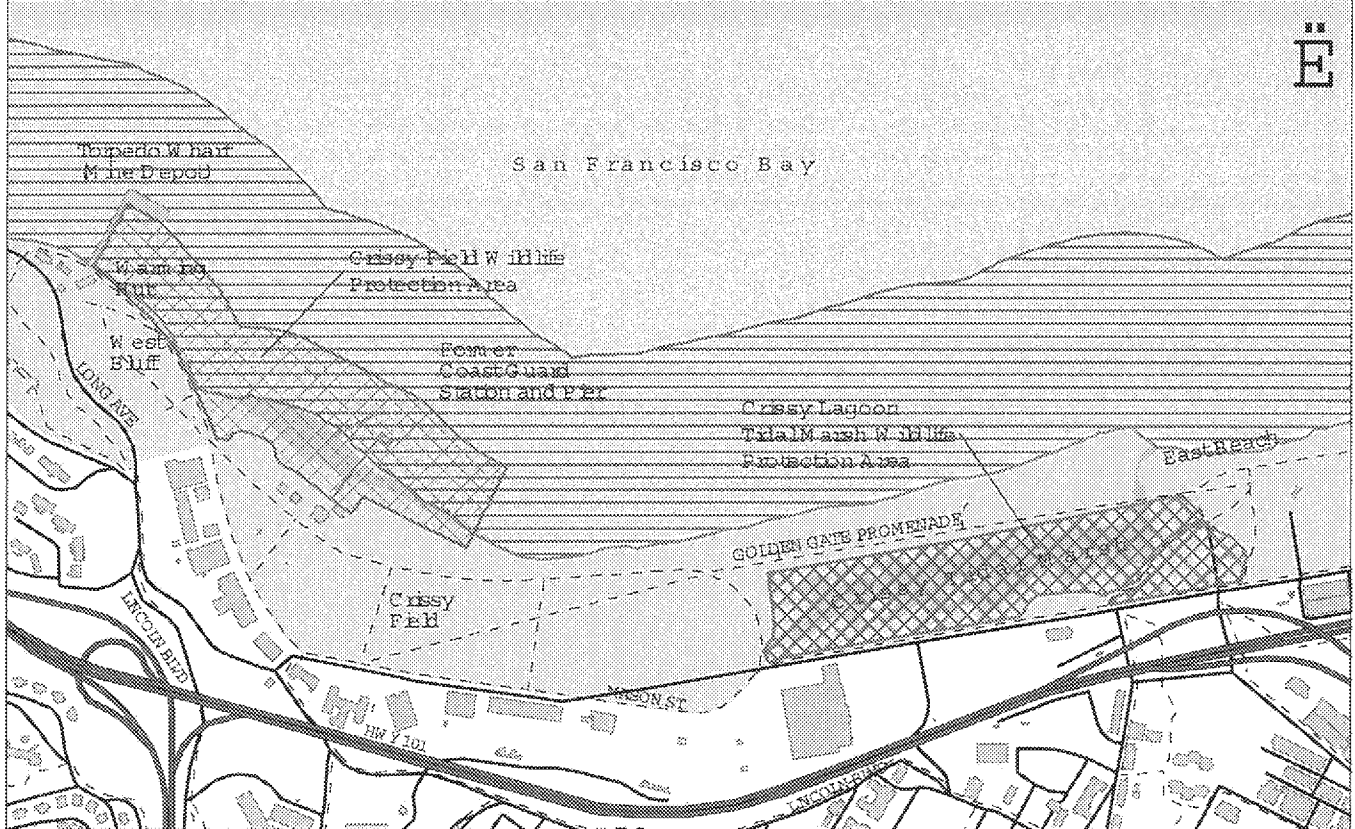


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 Wildlife Protection Areas  
 Crissy Field and Ocean Beach

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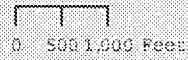
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- Trail
- XXXX NPS Managed Lands

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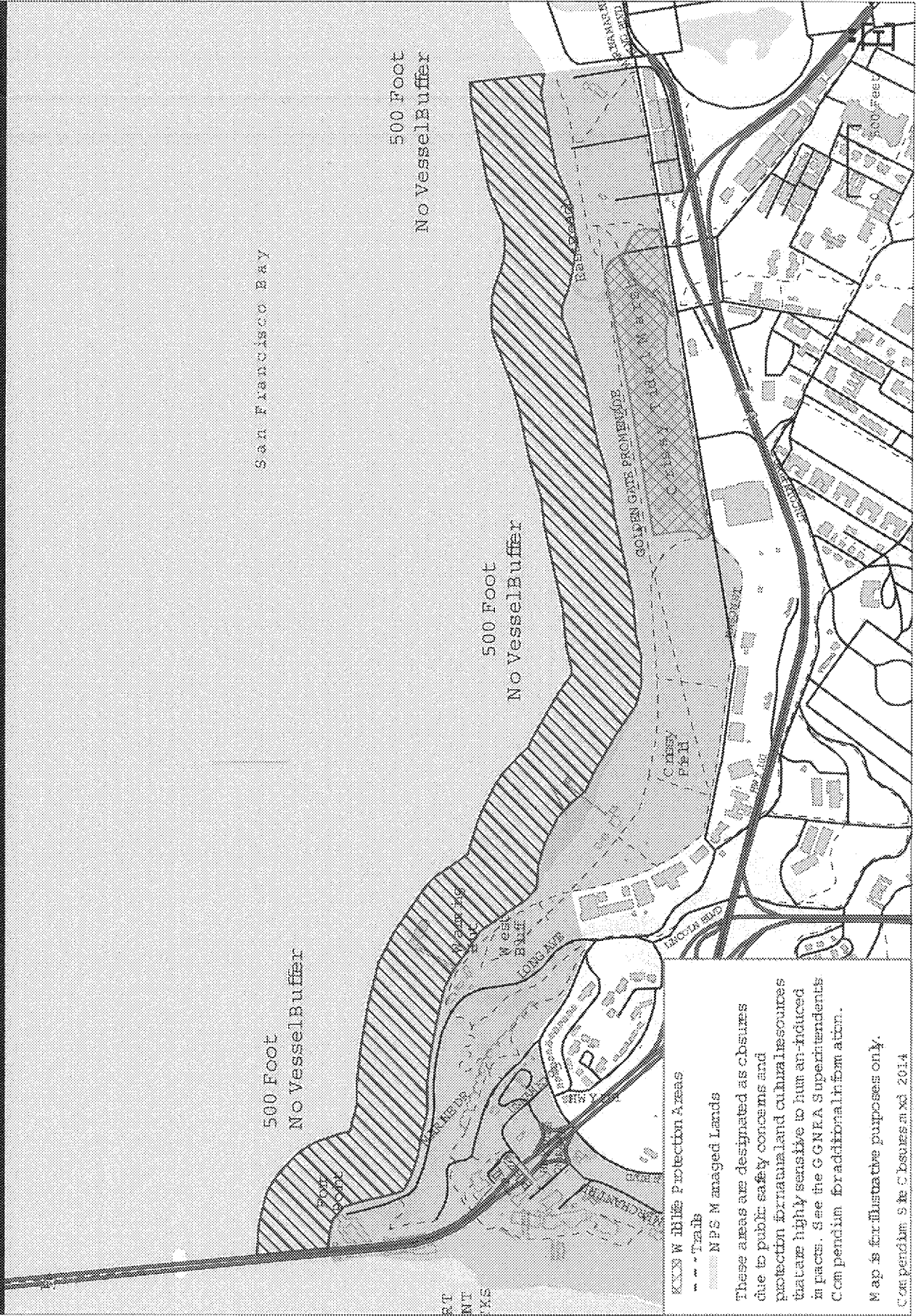
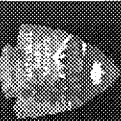
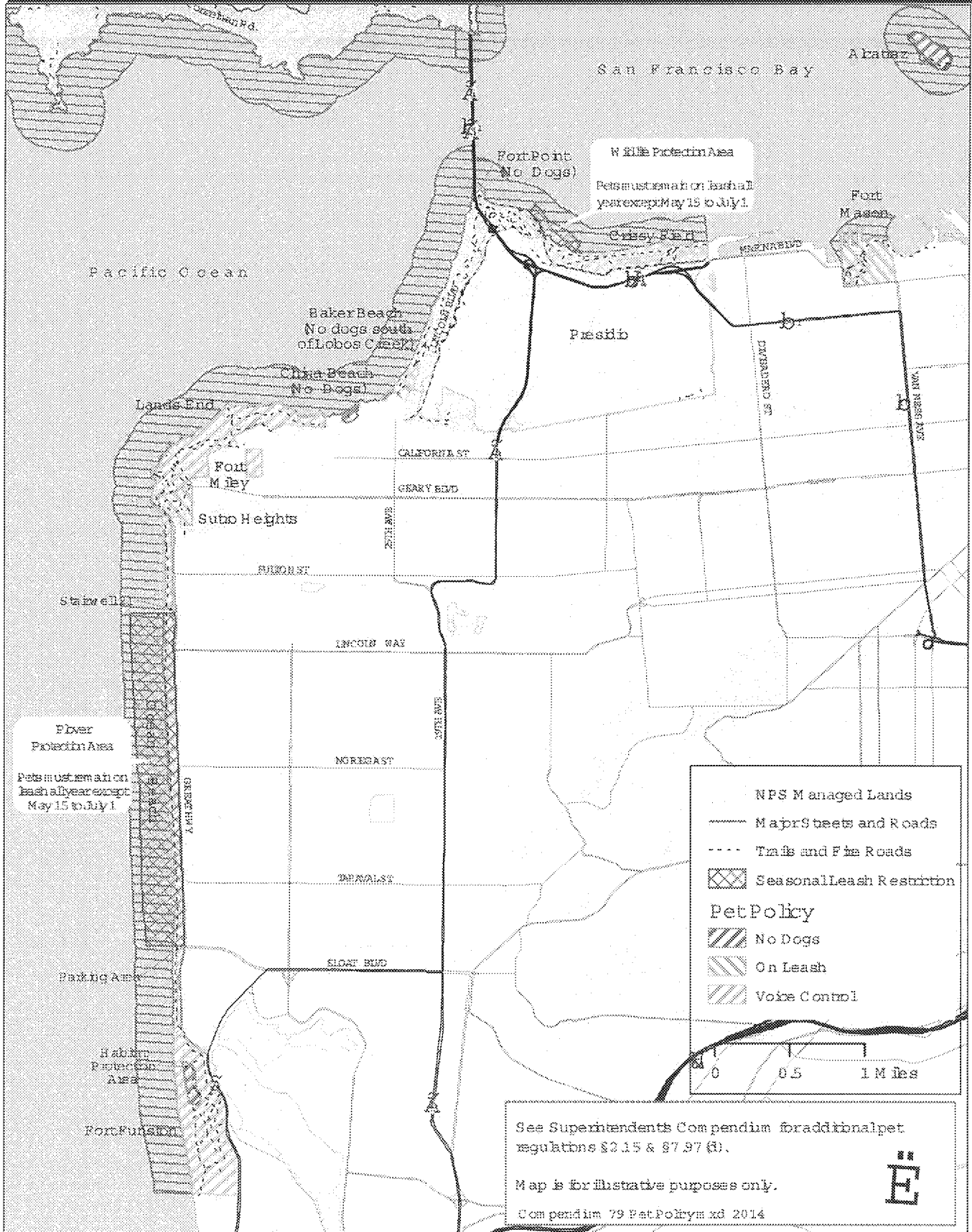
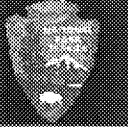


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 1979 Pet Policy and Amending Restrictions  
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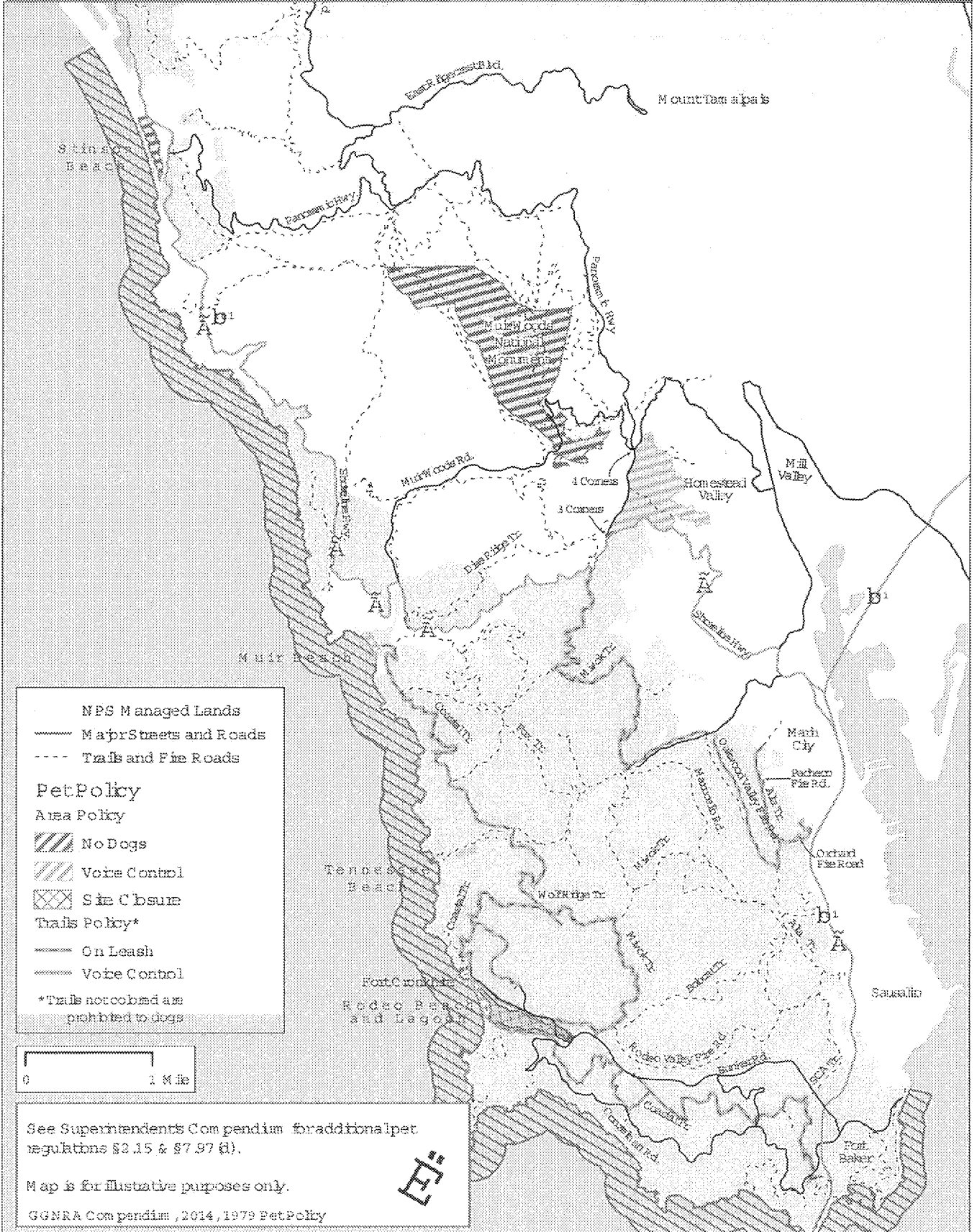
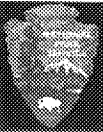
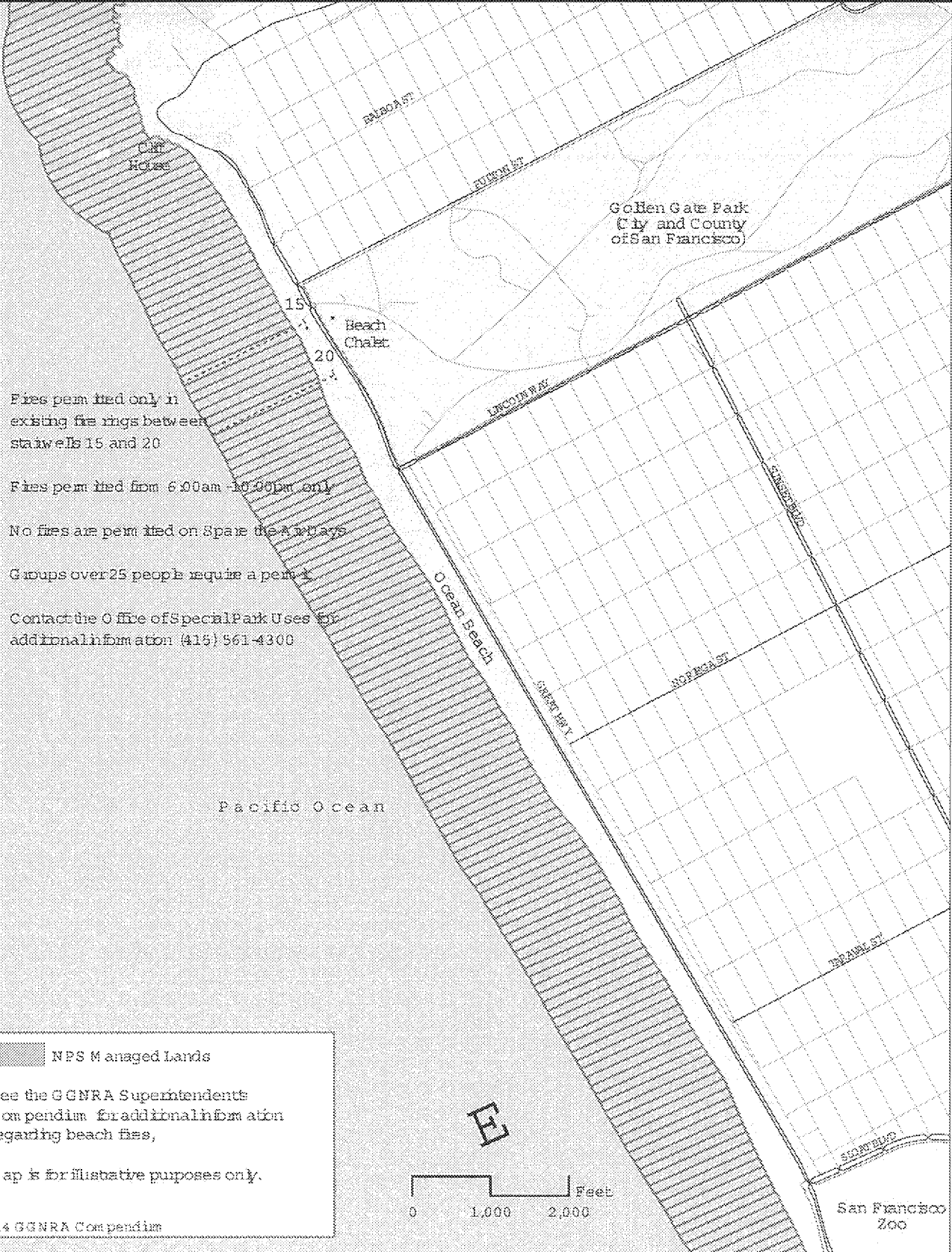


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 Permitted Beach Fire Area  
 Ocean Beach

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Fires permitted only in existing fire rings between stake #s 15 and 20

Fires permitted from 6:00am - 10:00pm only

No fires are permitted on State Use Trails

Groups over 25 people require a permit

Contact the Office of Special Park Uses for additional information (415) 561-4300

 NPS Managed Lands

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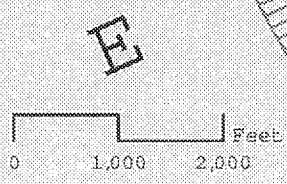
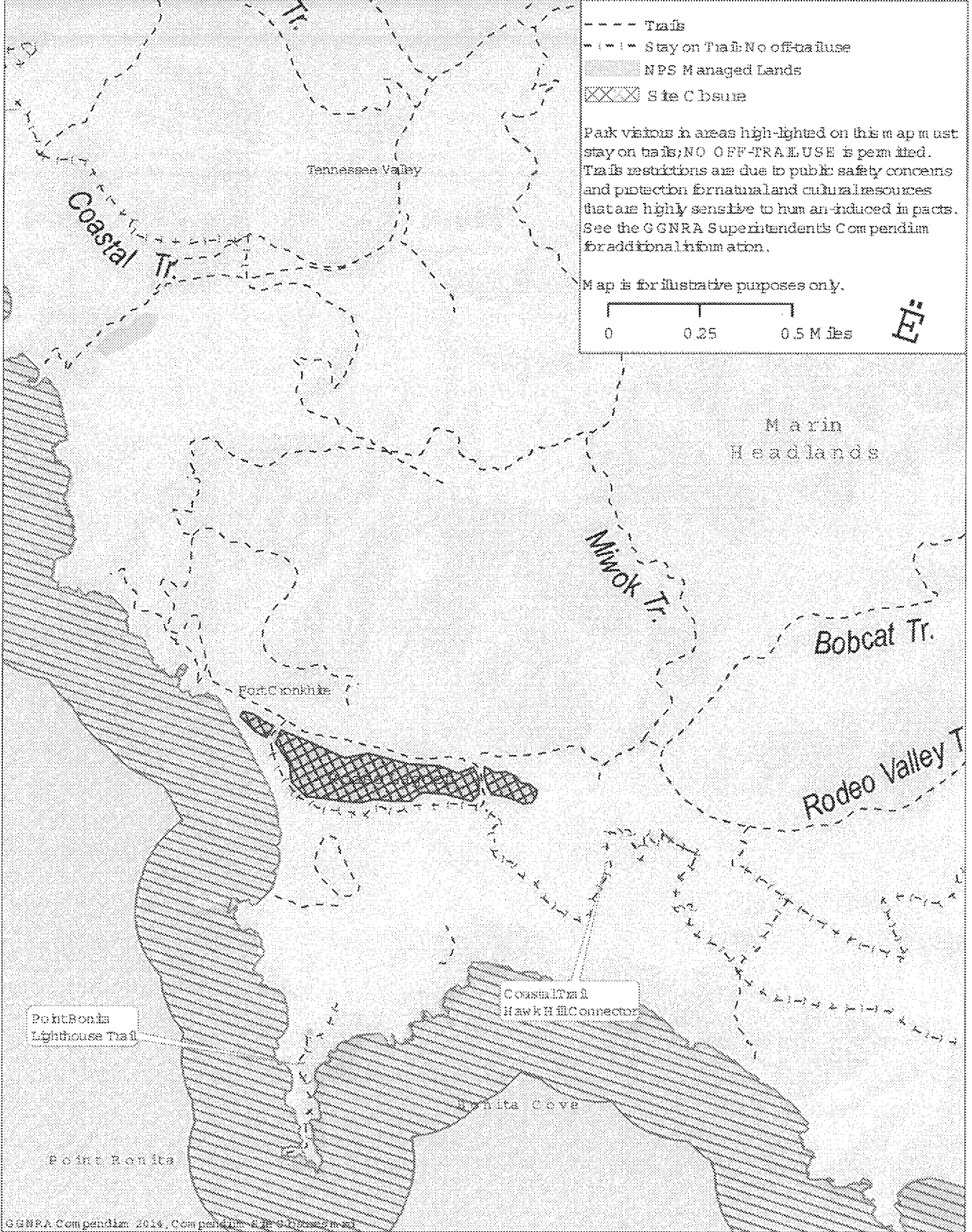




Exhibit 13B  
 Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
 Rodeo Valley

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- Trails
- - - Stay on Trail: No off-trail use
- ▨ NPS Managed Lands
- ▣ Site Closure

Park visitors in areas highlighted on this map must stay on trails; NO OFF-TRAIL USE is permitted. Trails restrictions are due to public safety concerns and protection for natural and cultural resources that are highly sensitive to human-induced impacts. See the GGNRA Superintendent's Compendium for additional information.

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0 0.25 0.5 Miles





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 Tennessee Valley

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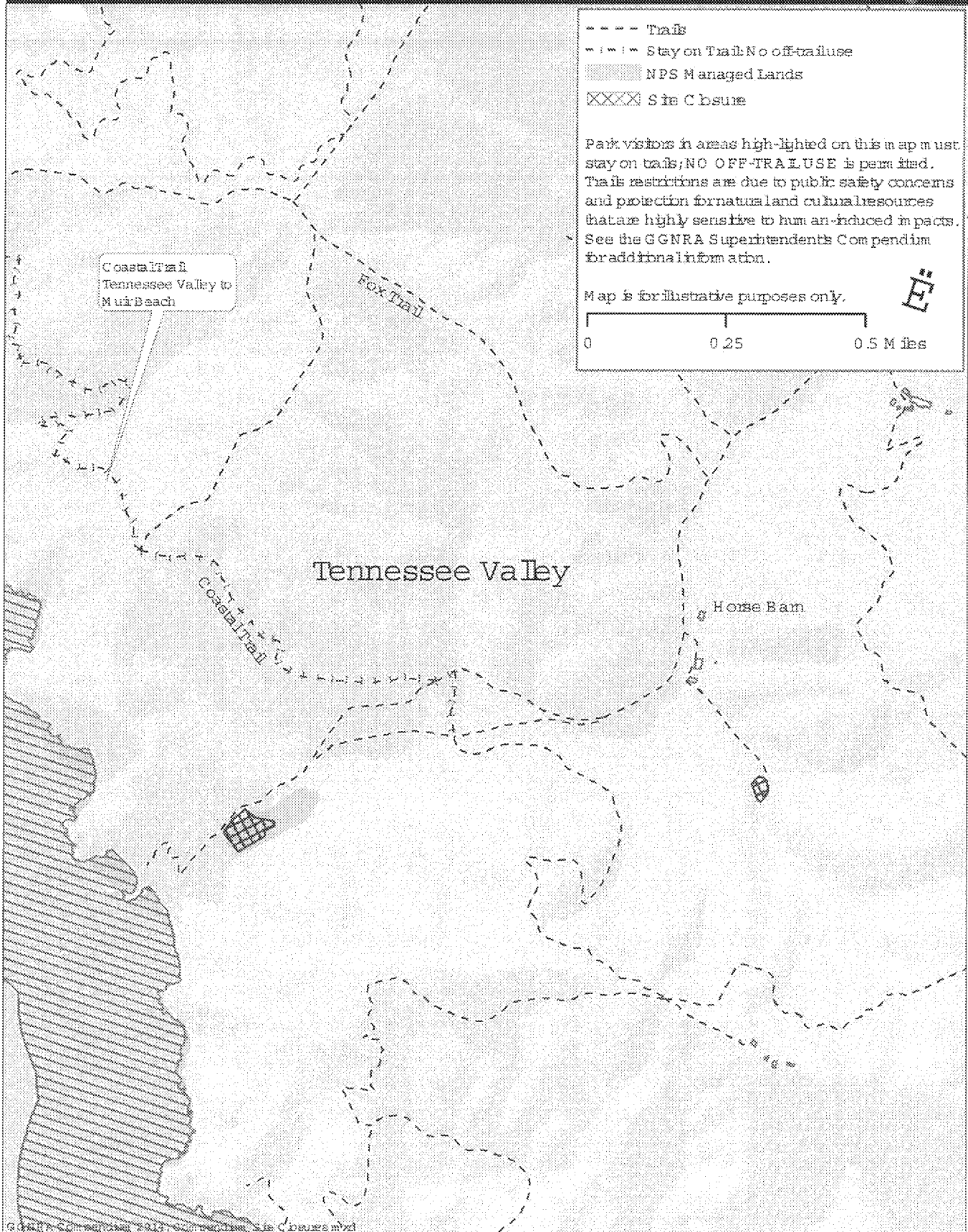
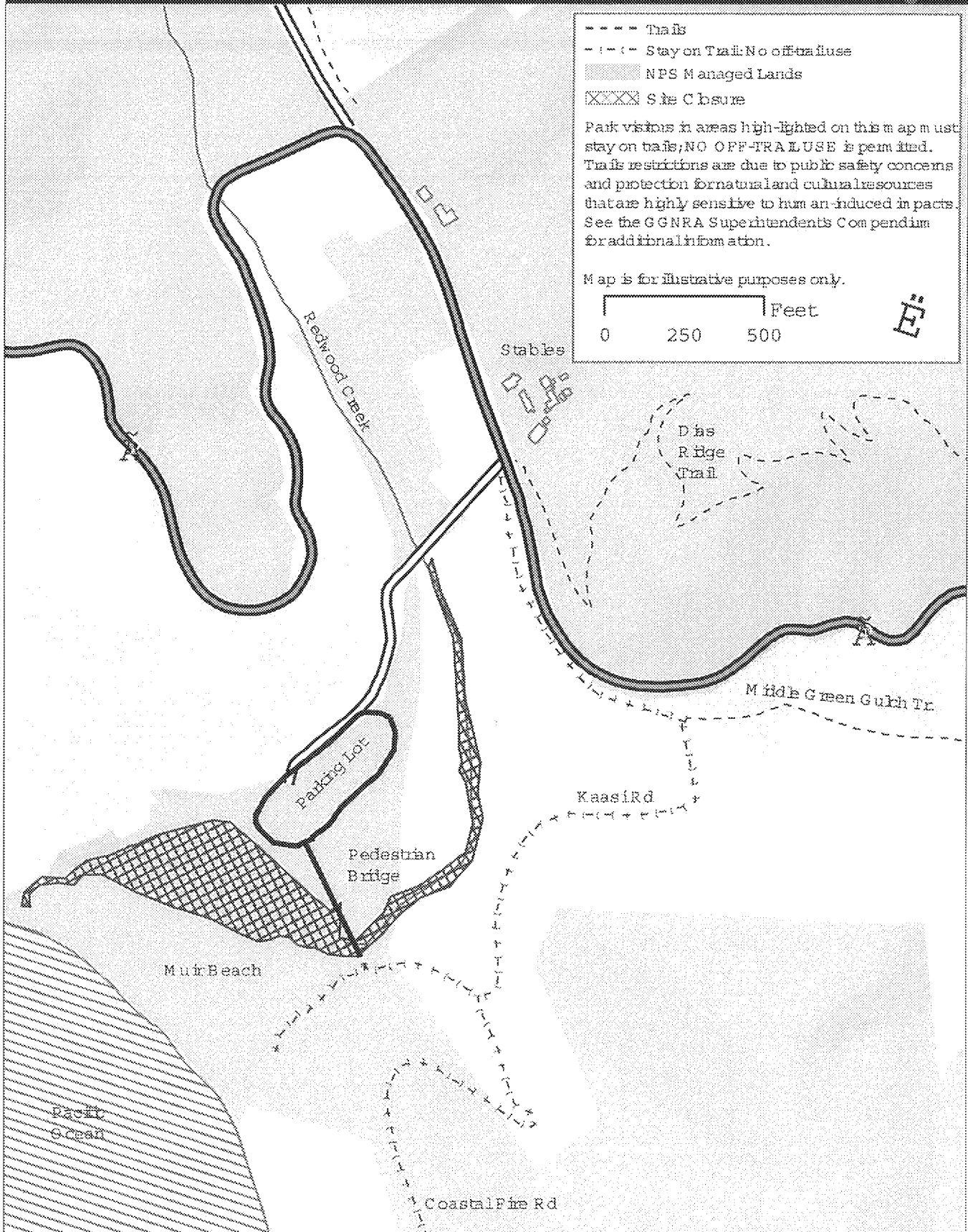


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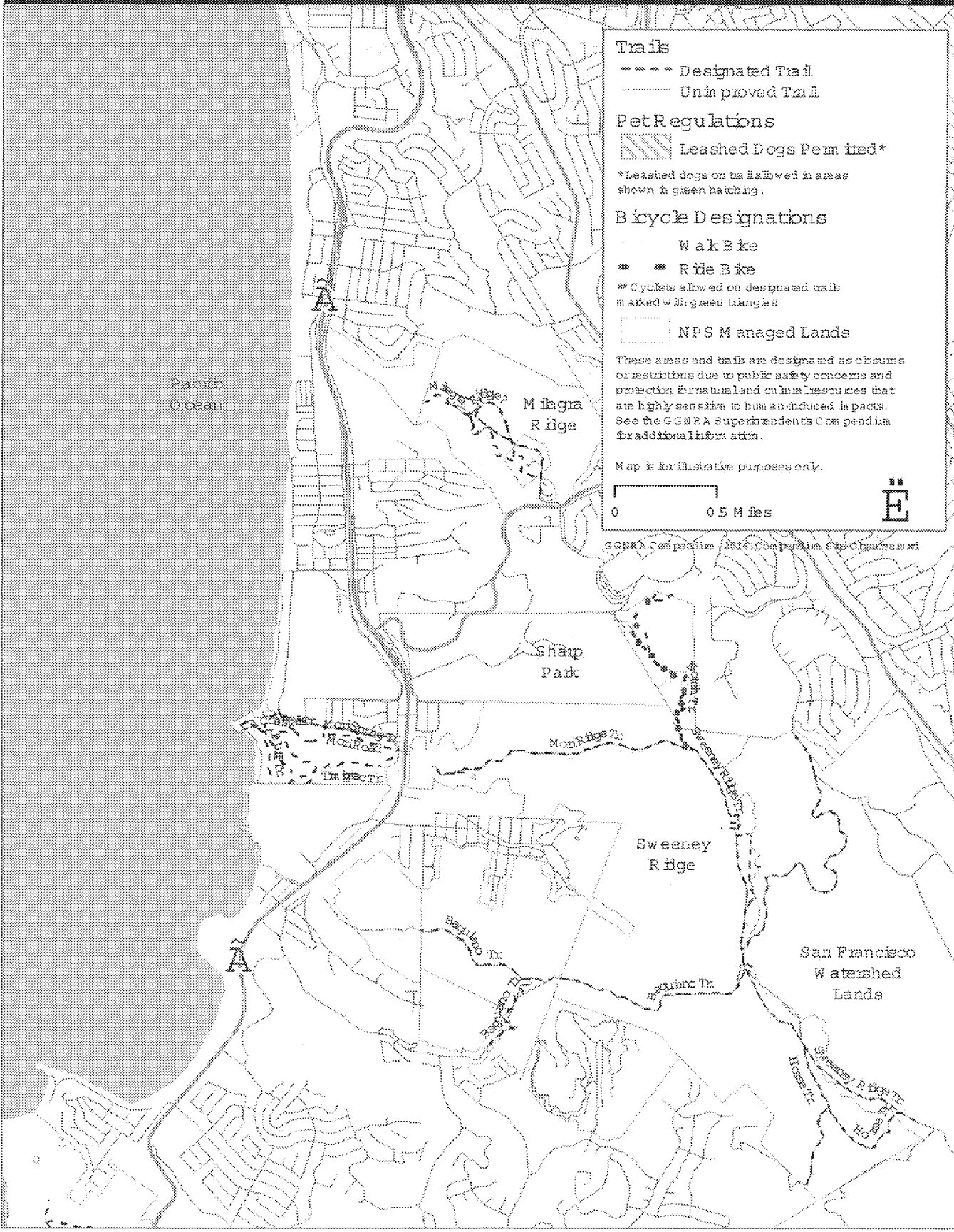
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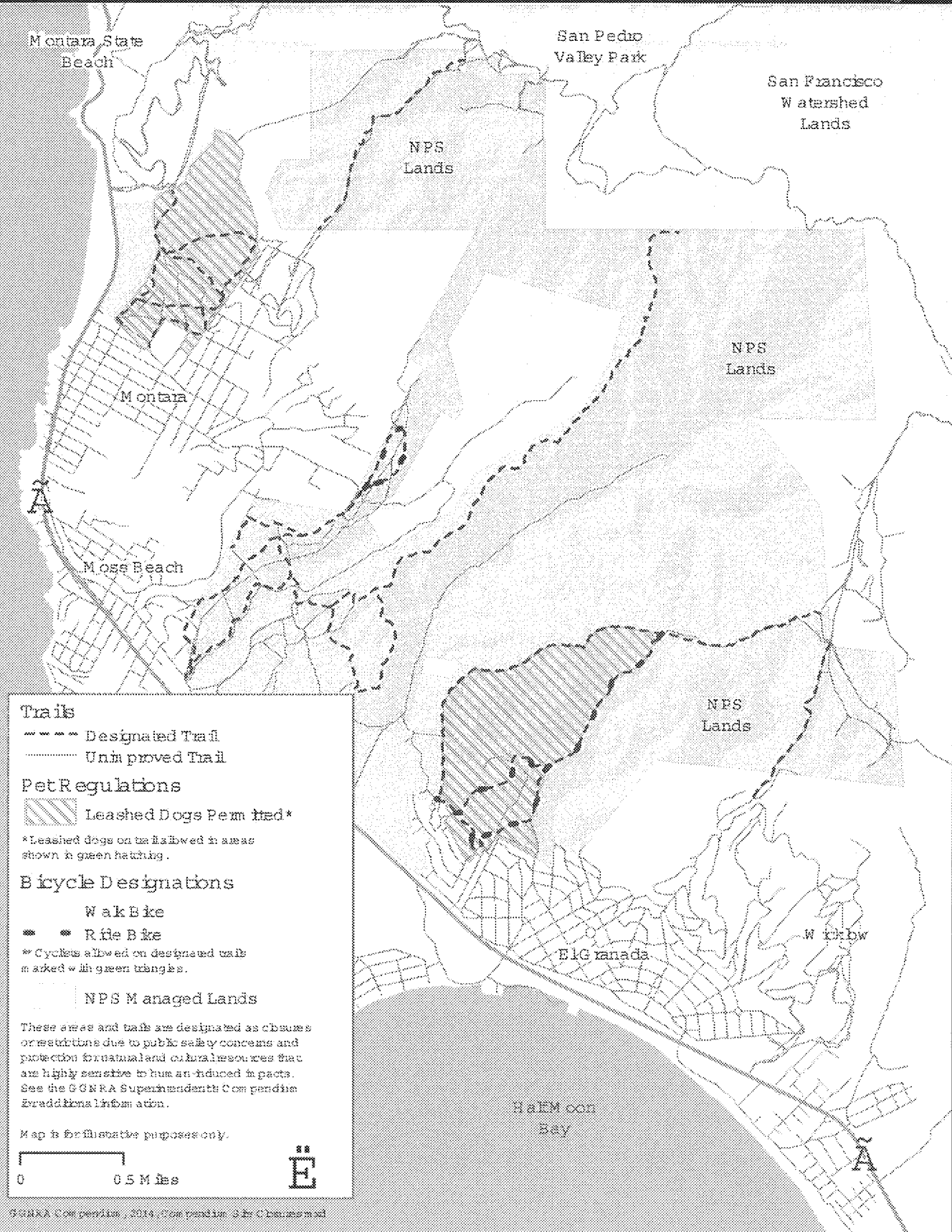
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 Milagra and Sweeney Ridge

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**Rancho Conchalde Tierra**

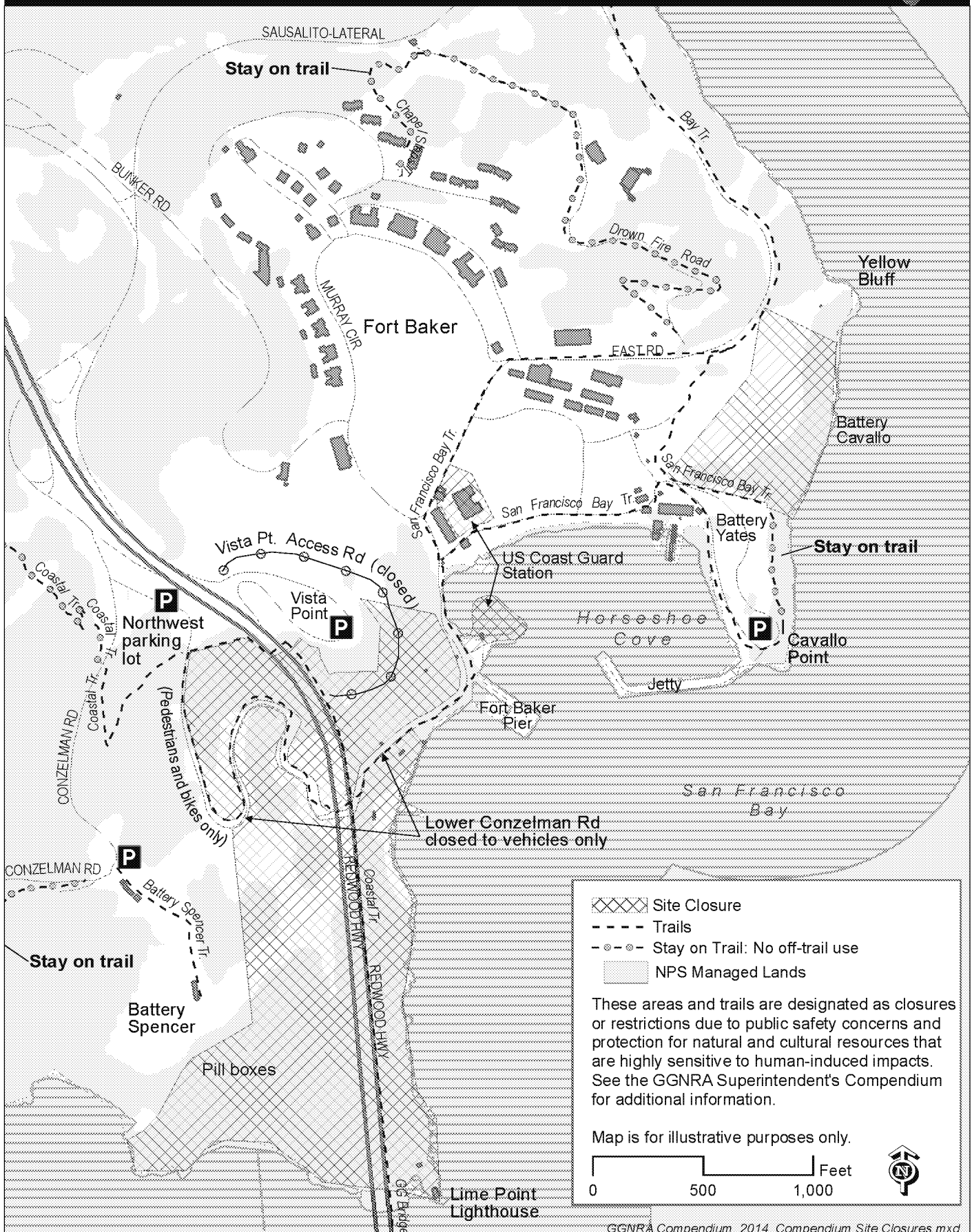
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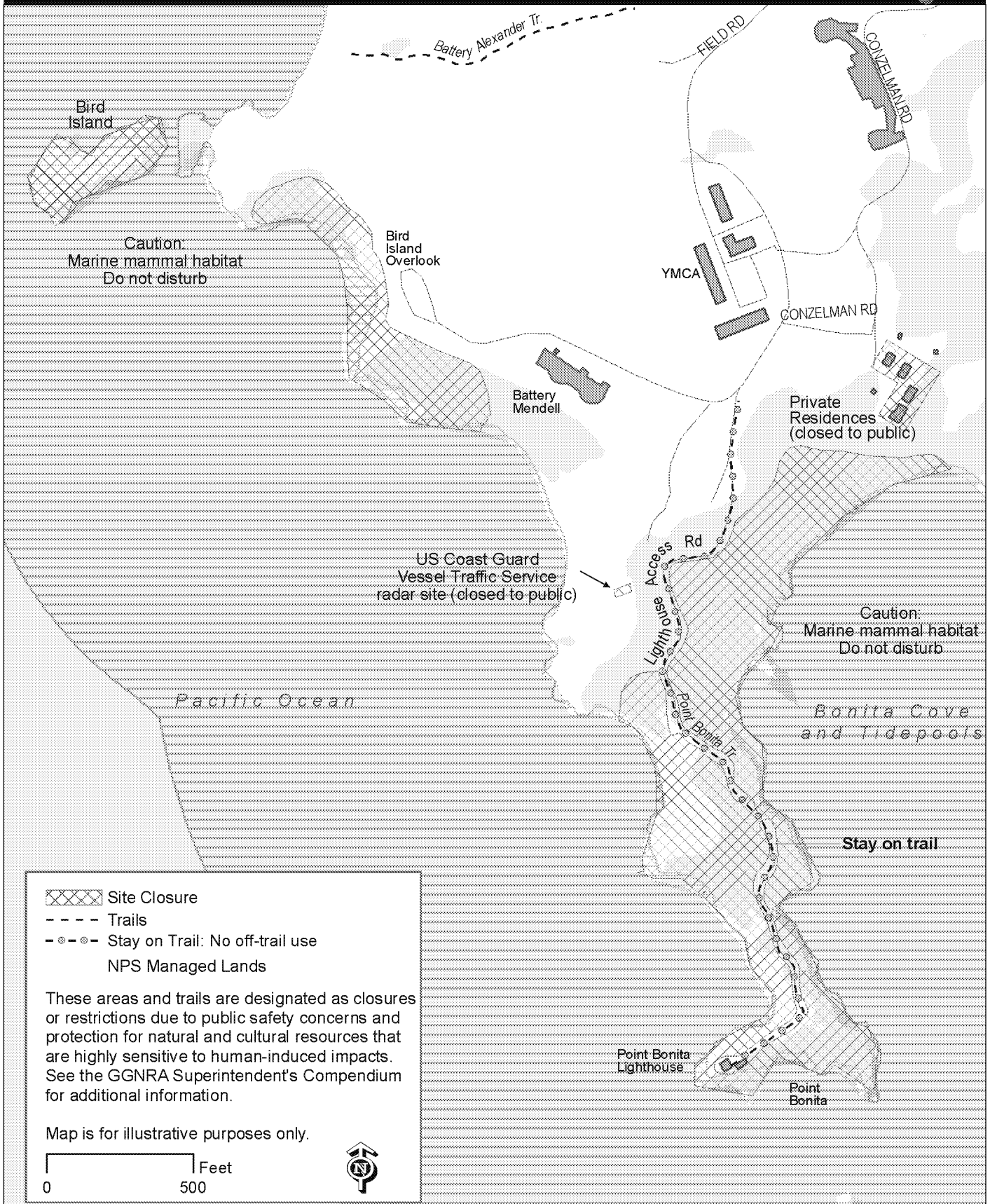
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Fort Baker**

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**Exhibit 2  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Point Bonita**

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Caution:  
Marine mammal habitat  
Do not disturb

Private Residences  
(closed to public)

US Coast Guard  
Vessel Traffic Service  
radar site (closed to public)

Caution:  
Marine mammal habitat  
Do not disturb

Bonita Cove  
and Tidepools

Stay on trail

Site Closure  
 - - - Trails  
 - ● - ● - Stay on Trail: No off-trail use  
 NPS Managed Lands

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**Exhibit 3  
Bird Nesting Season Closure and Trail Restrictions  
Alcatraz Island**

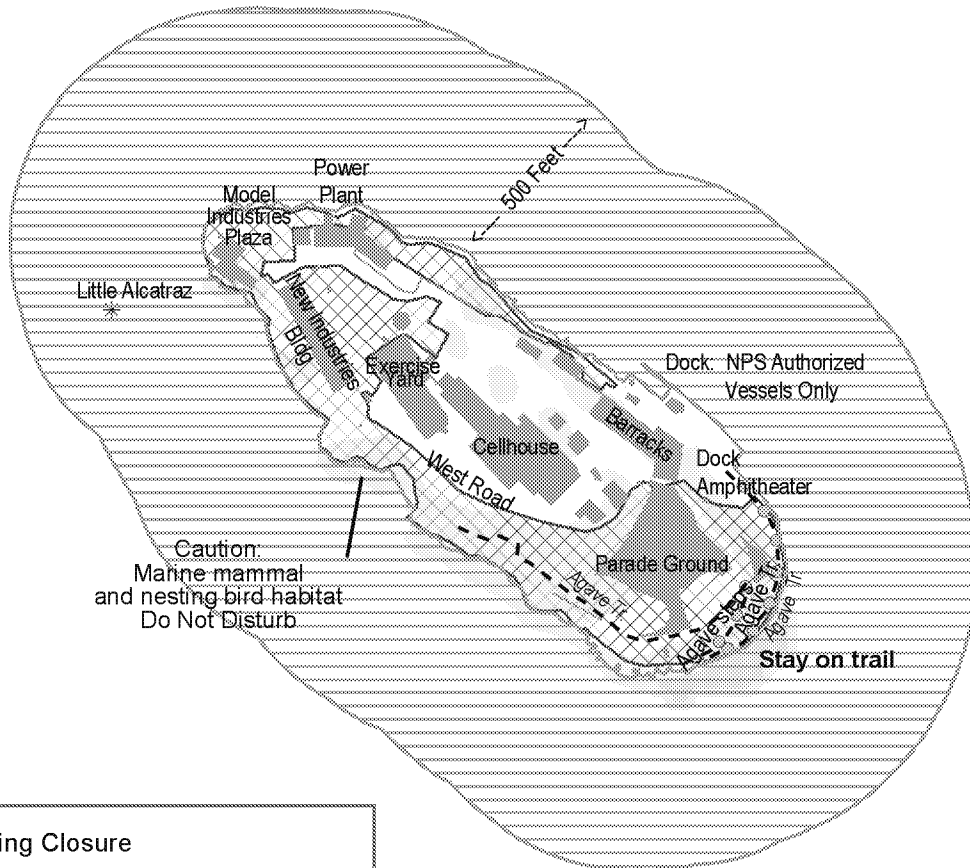
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San Francisco Bay

**No vessel landings permitted on Alcatraz Island**

**Caution: Alcatraz is marine mammal and nesting bird habitat  
Do not disturb wildlife**



Caution:  
Marine mammal  
and nesting bird habitat  
Do Not Disturb

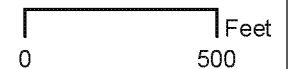
Stay on trail

Bird Nesting Closure

- ● - ● - Stay on Trail: No off-trail use

Public access may be restricted in this area during bird nesting season of approximately February 1 through September 15, or as determined by the park's wildlife specialist. Additional restrictions may occur throughout the year as needed to protect wildlife, cultural resources, and public safety. See the GGNRA Superintendent's Compendium for additional information.

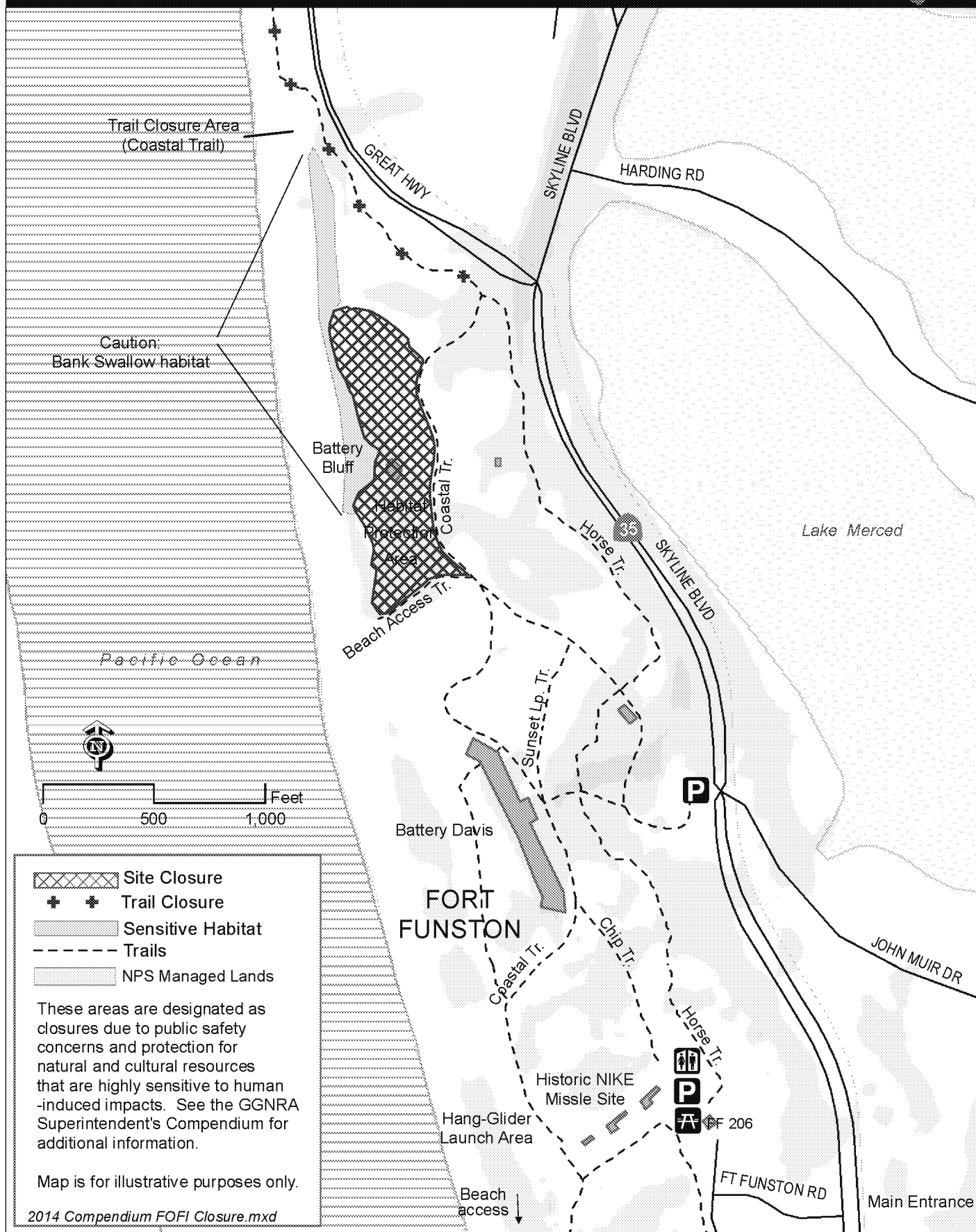
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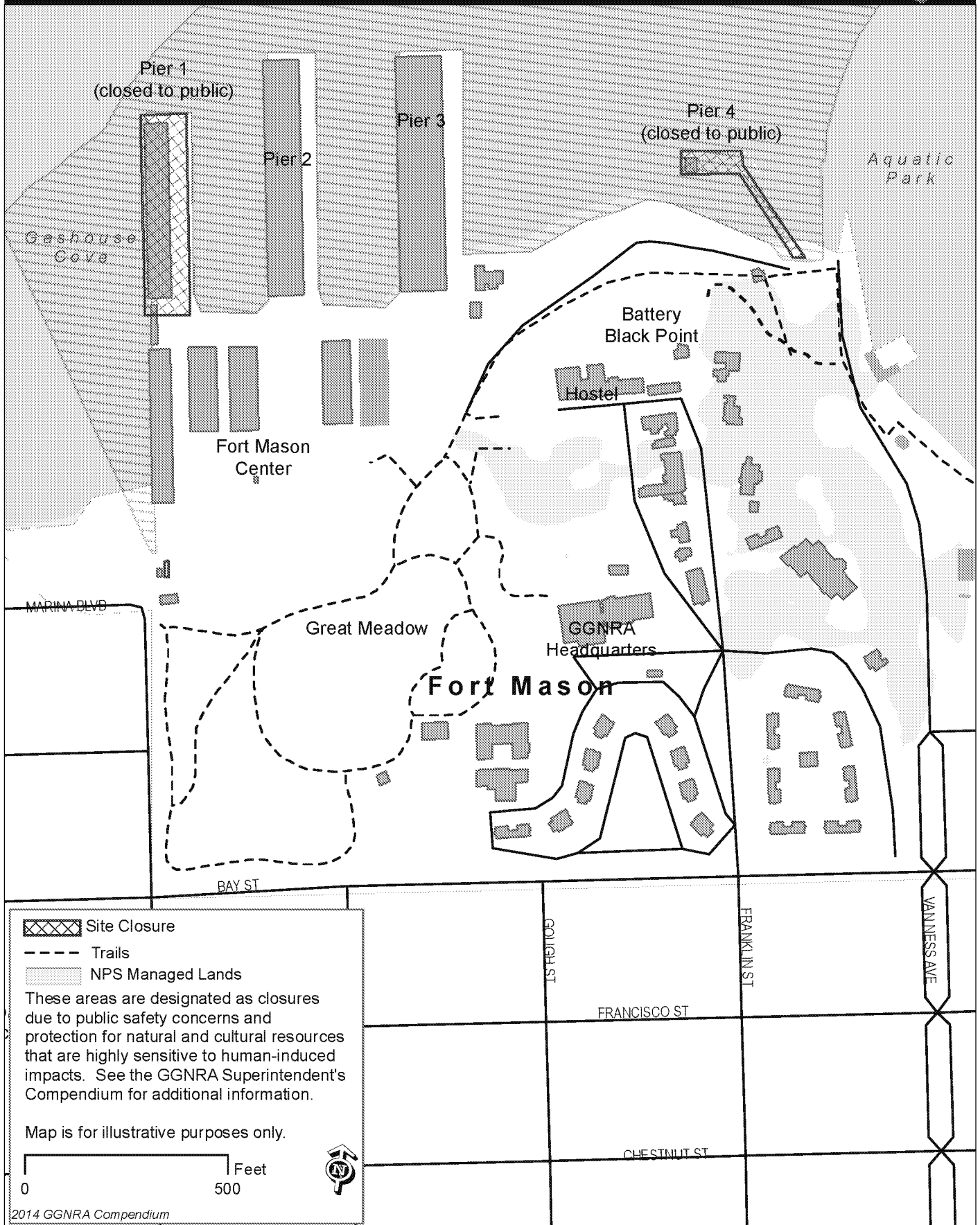
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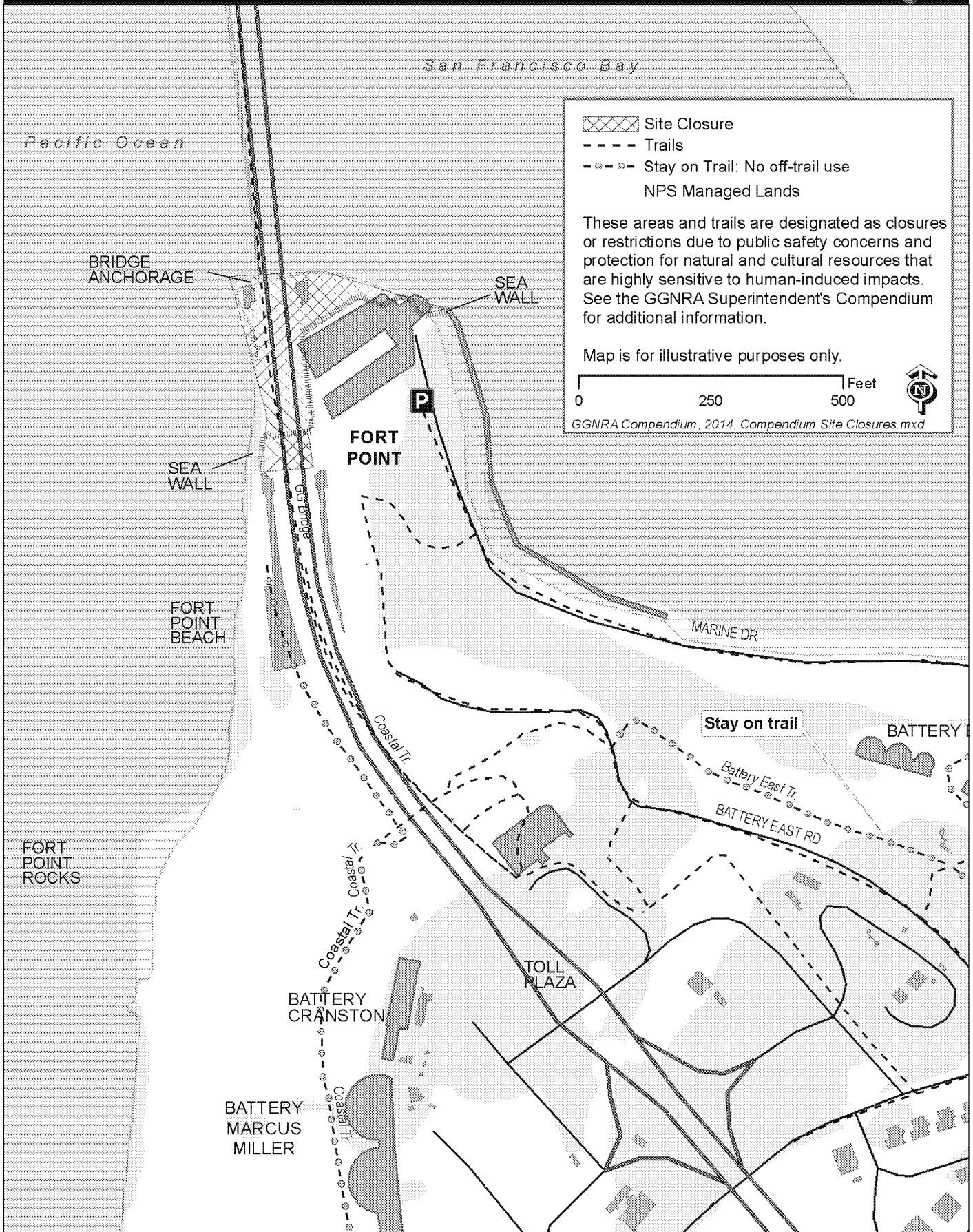
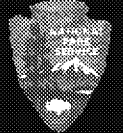
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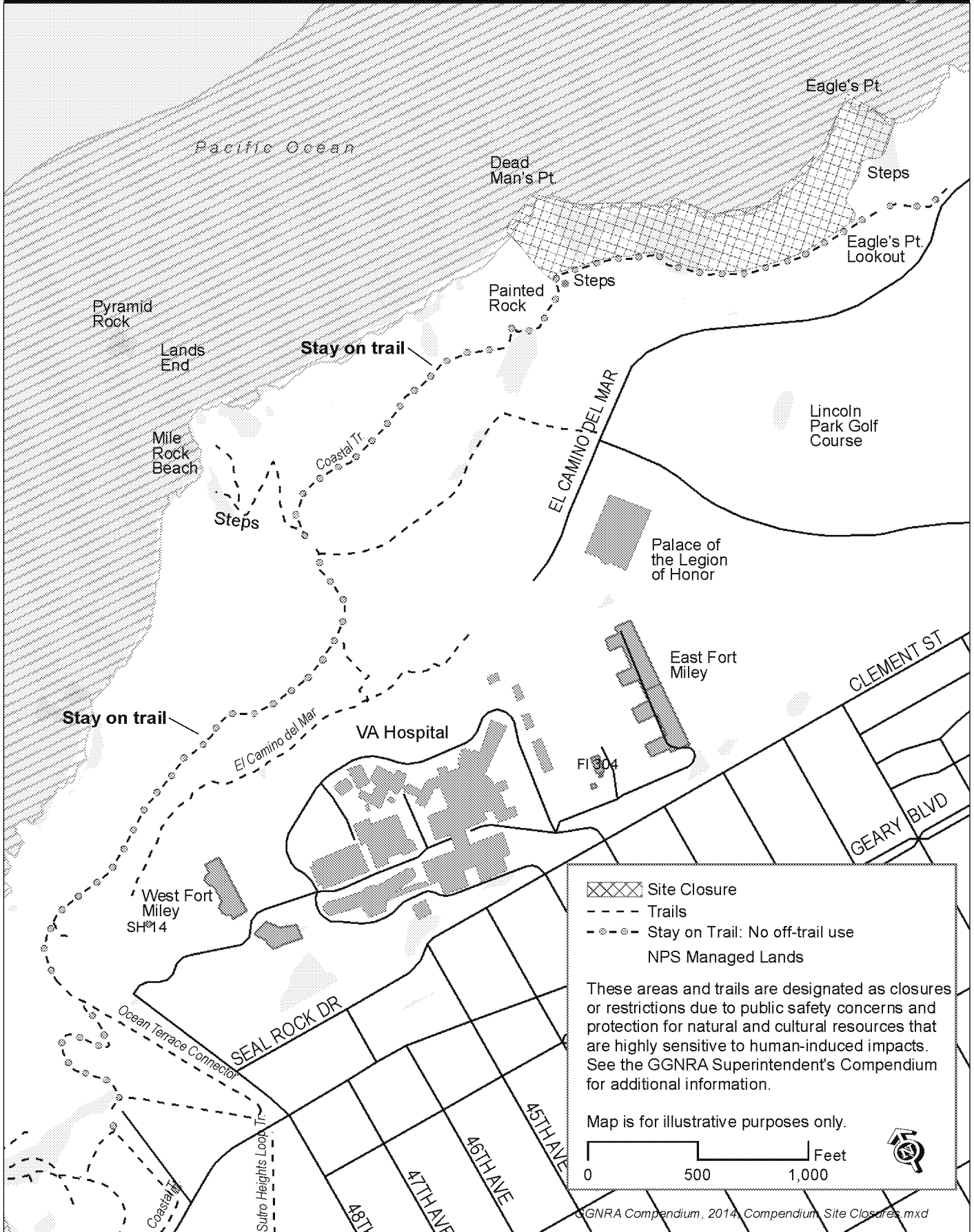
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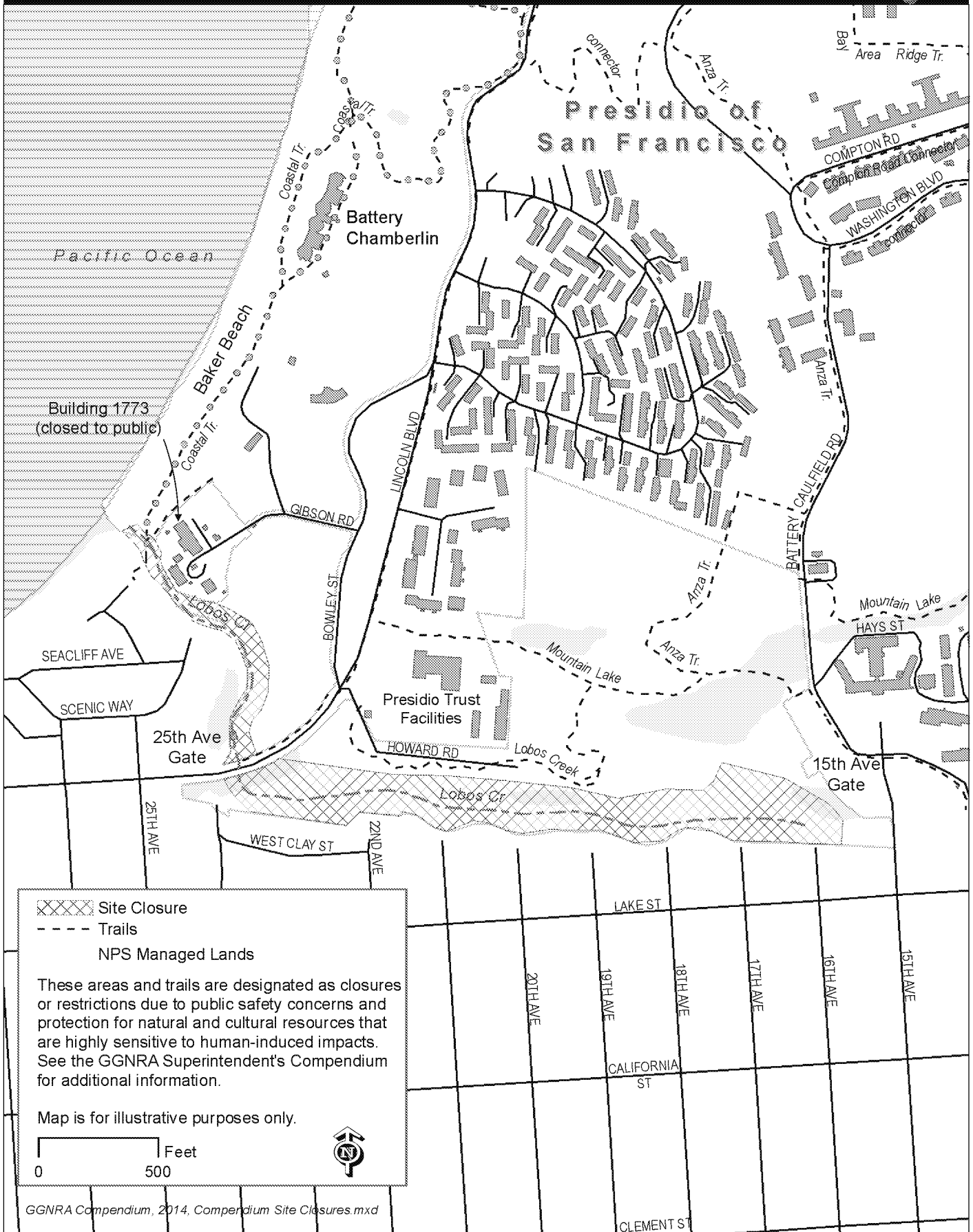
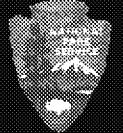
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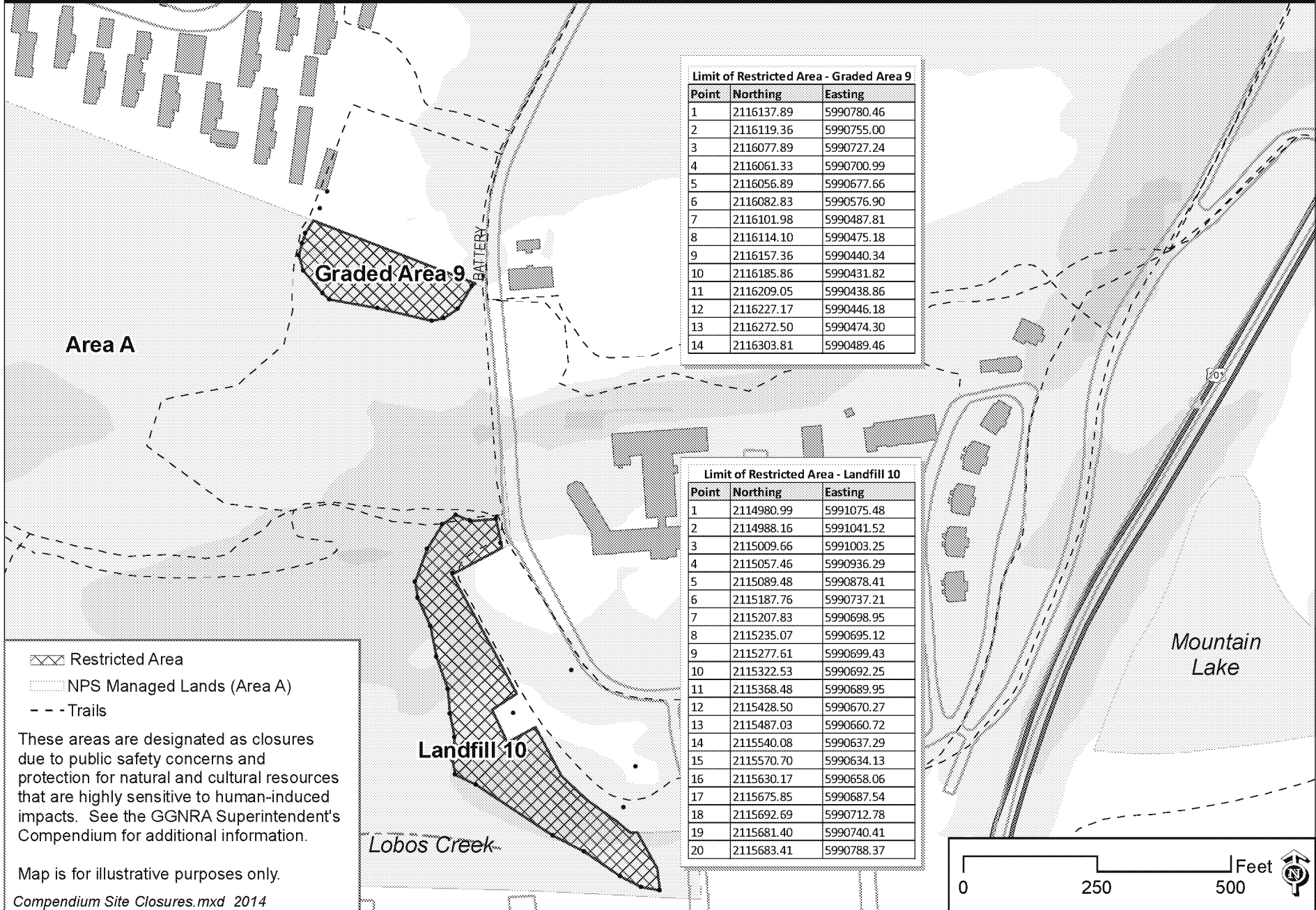
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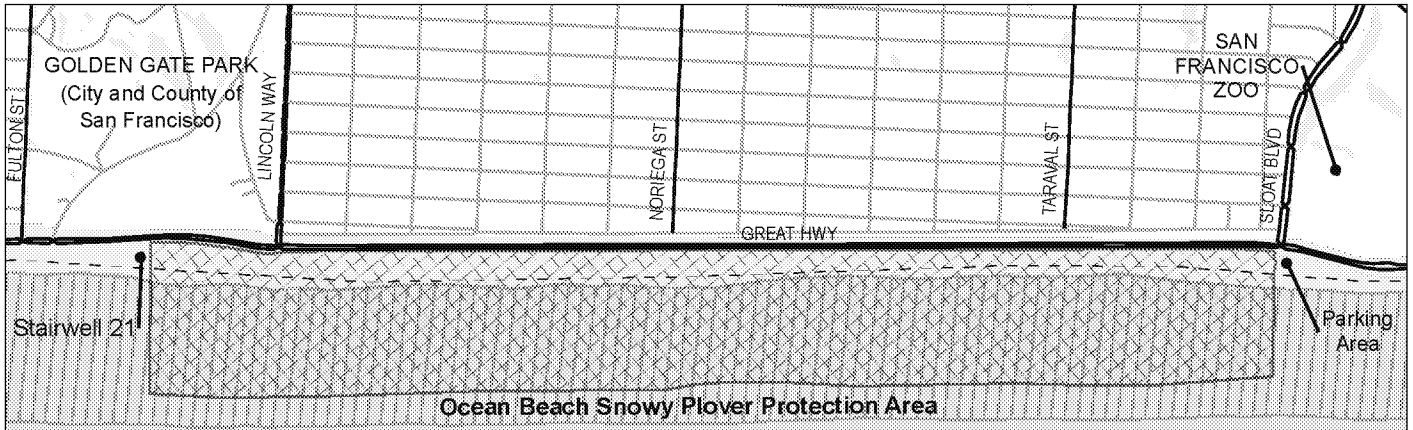
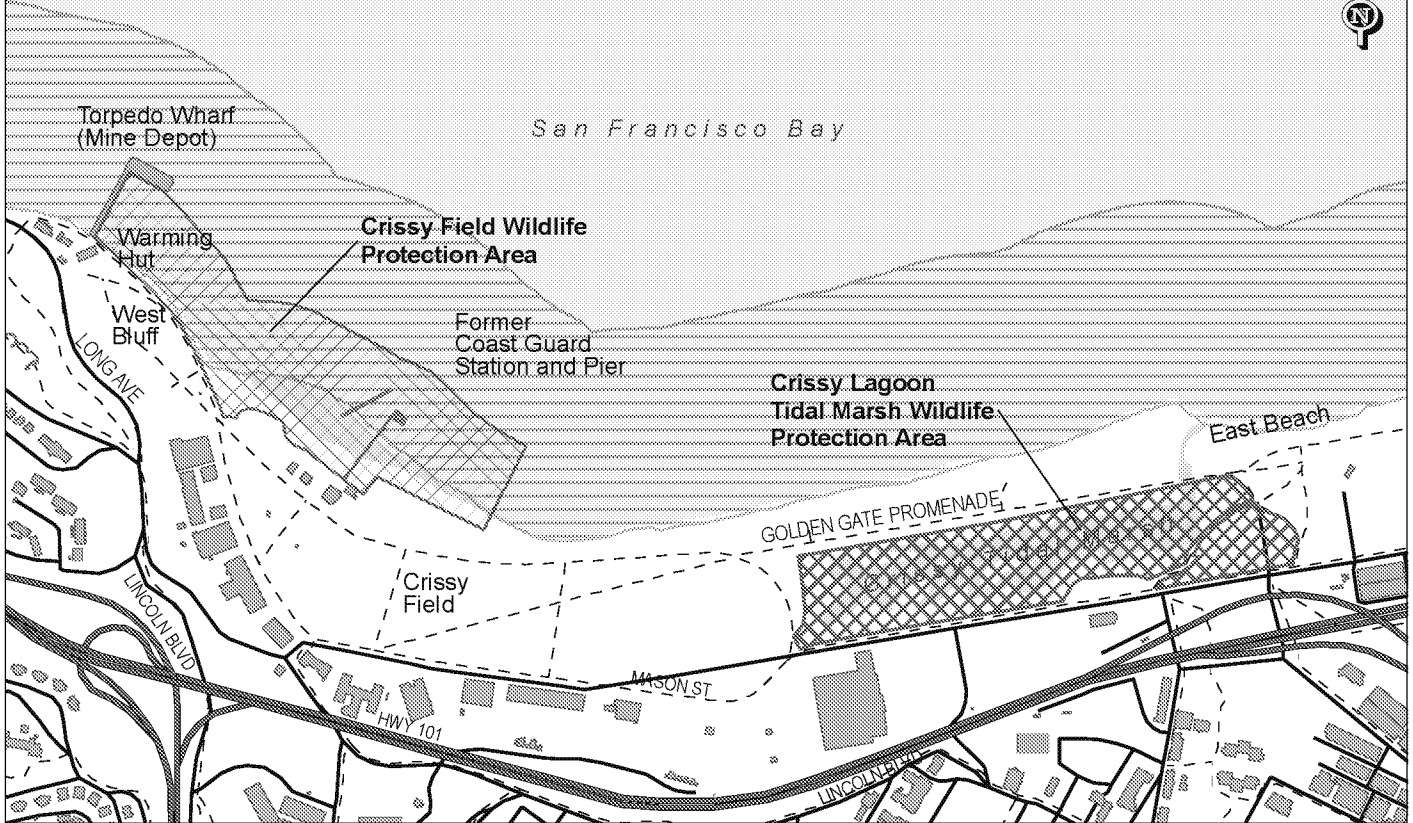
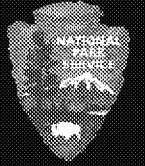
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Wildlife Protection Areas  
Crissy Field and Ocean Beach**

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**Seasonal Leash Restrictions**  
(On Leash Except May 15th - July 1st)

--- Trails

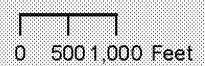
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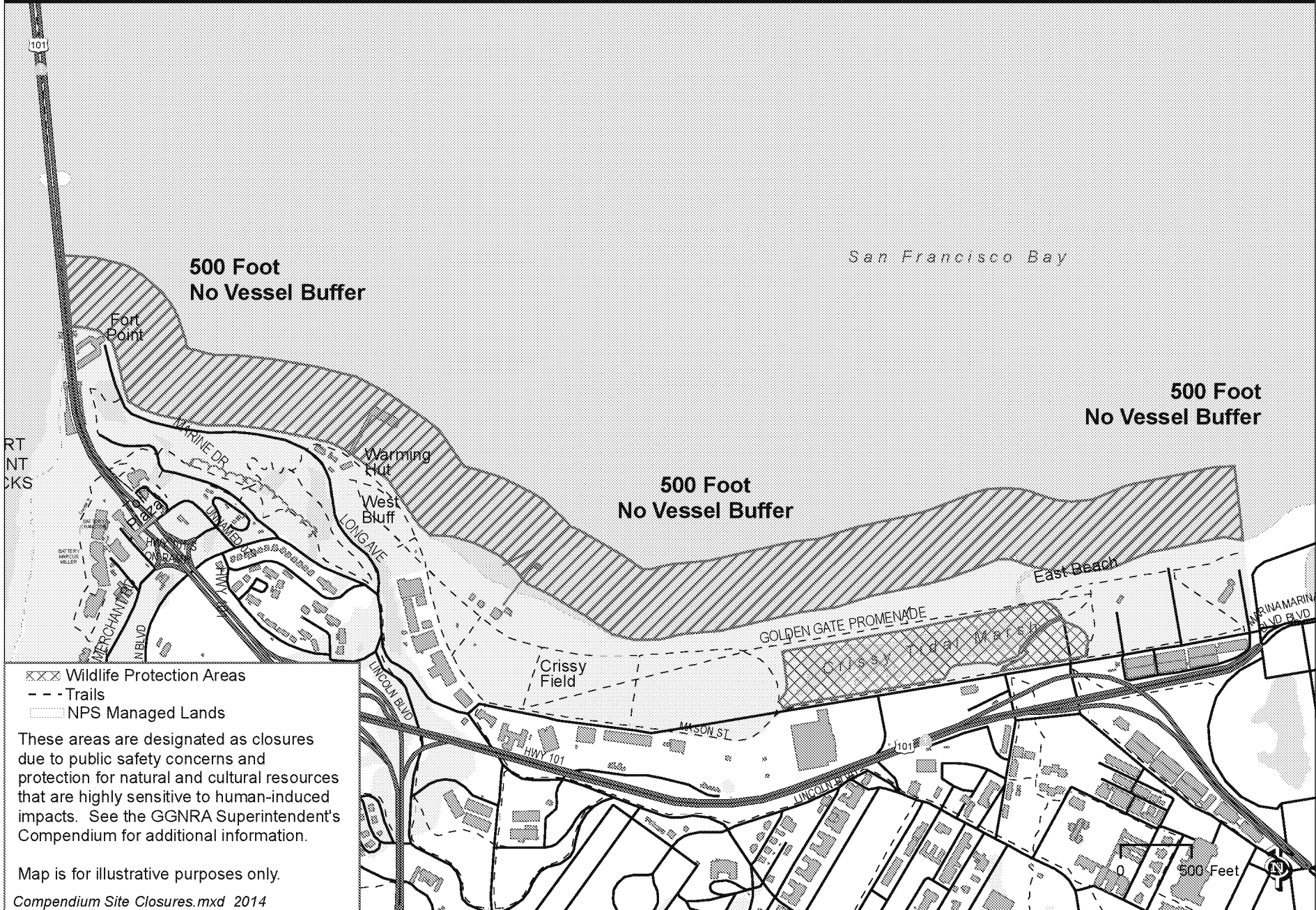
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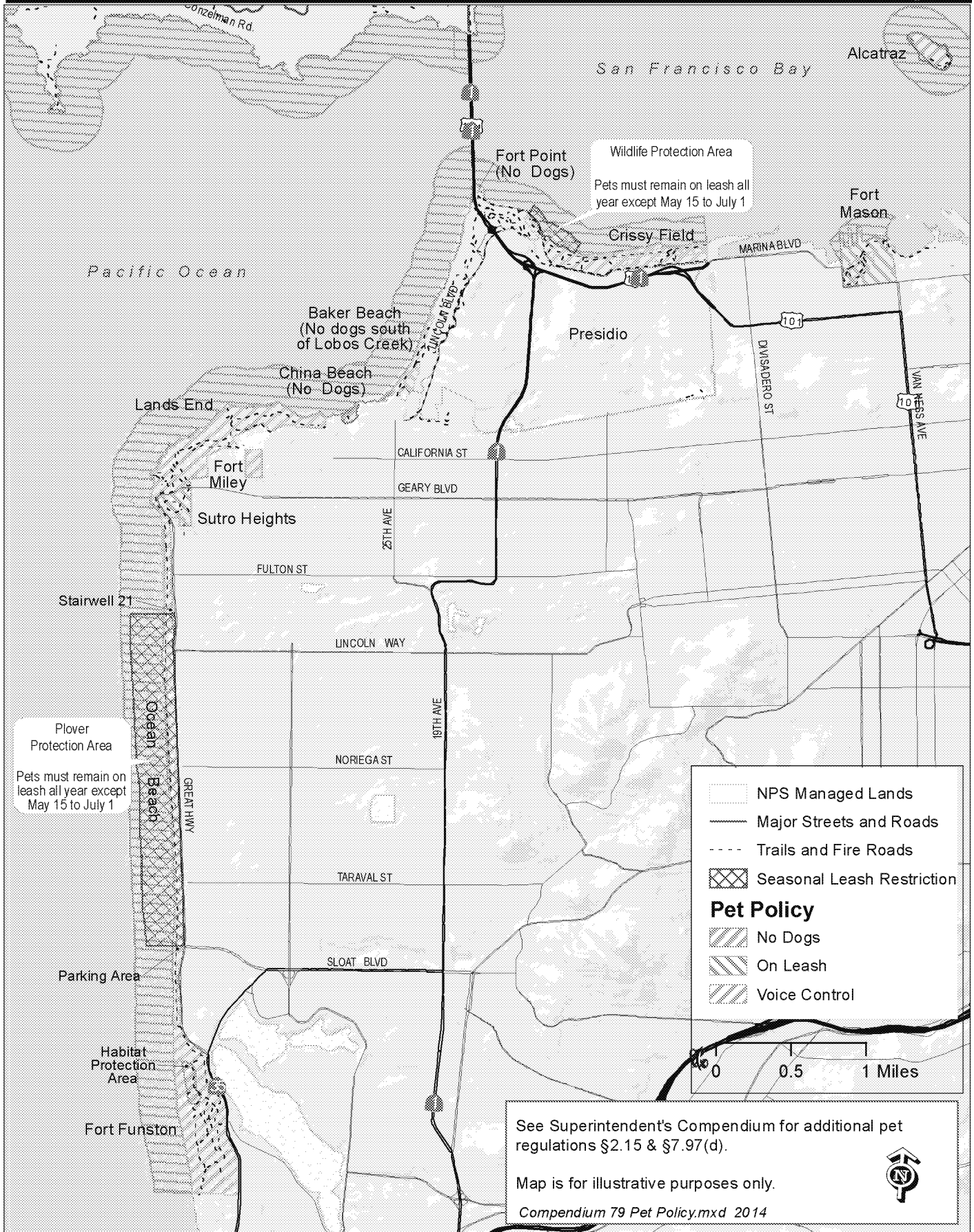
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Crissy Field**

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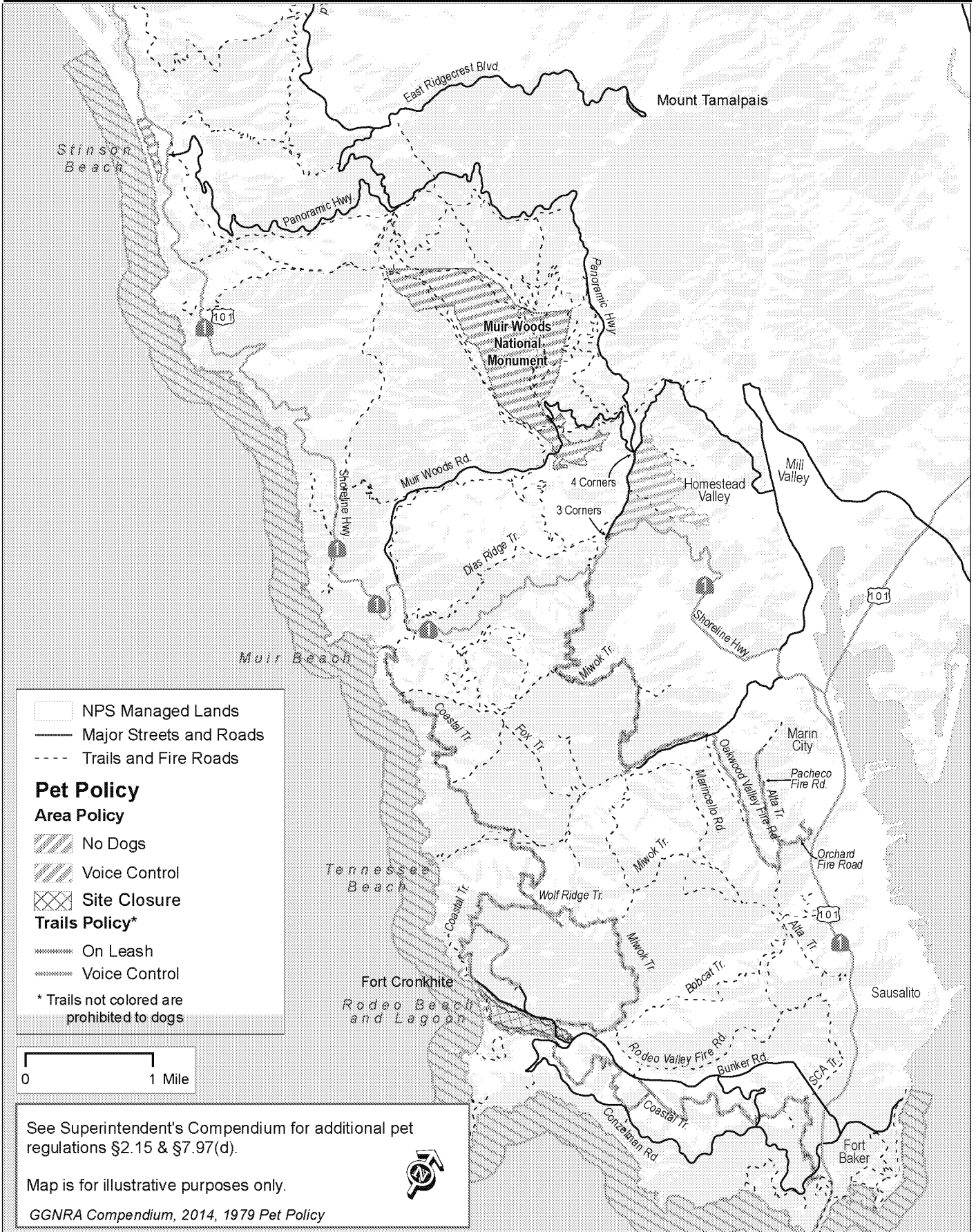
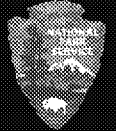
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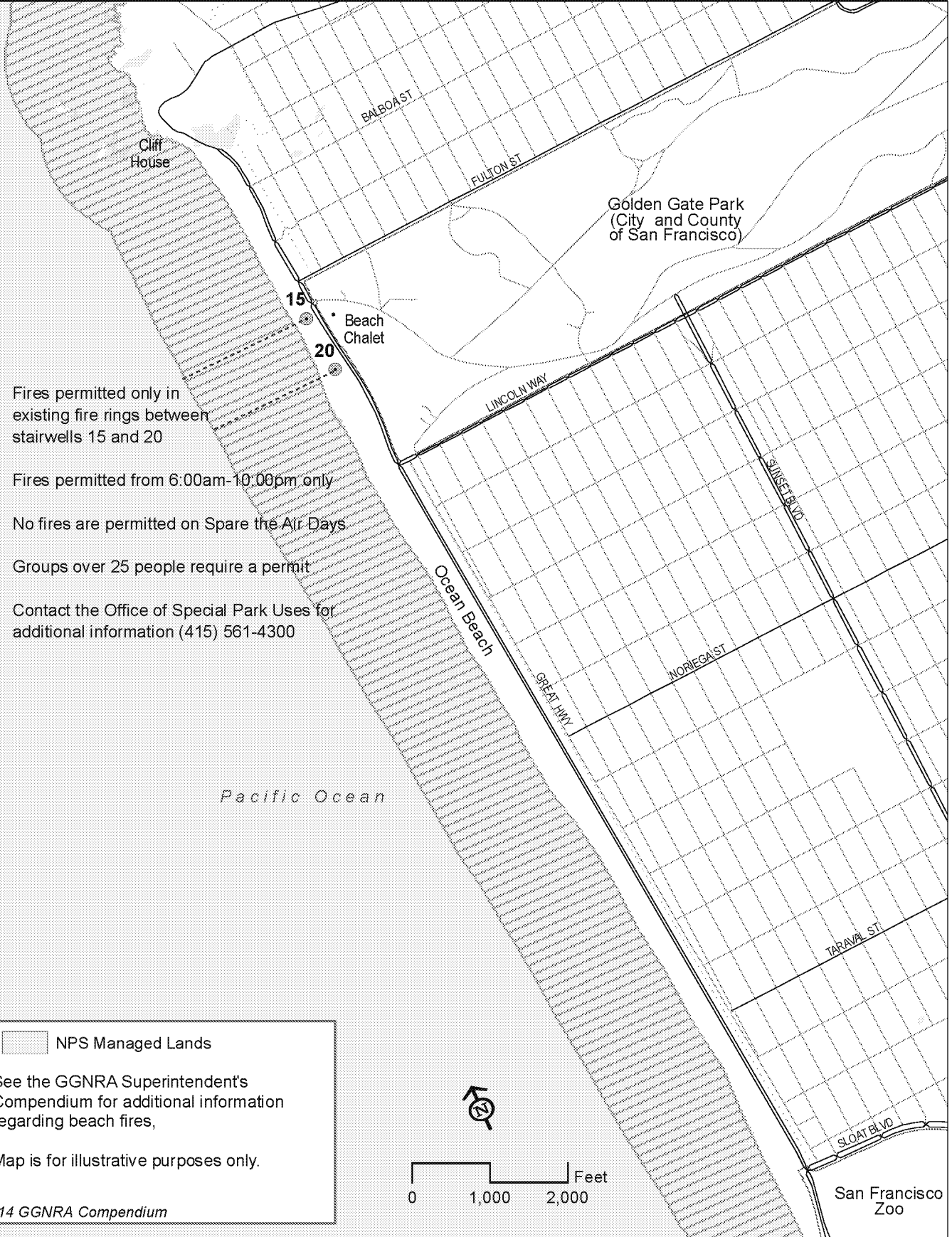
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Ocean Beach**

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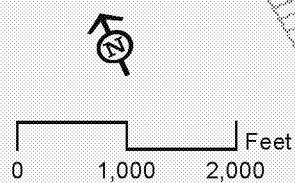
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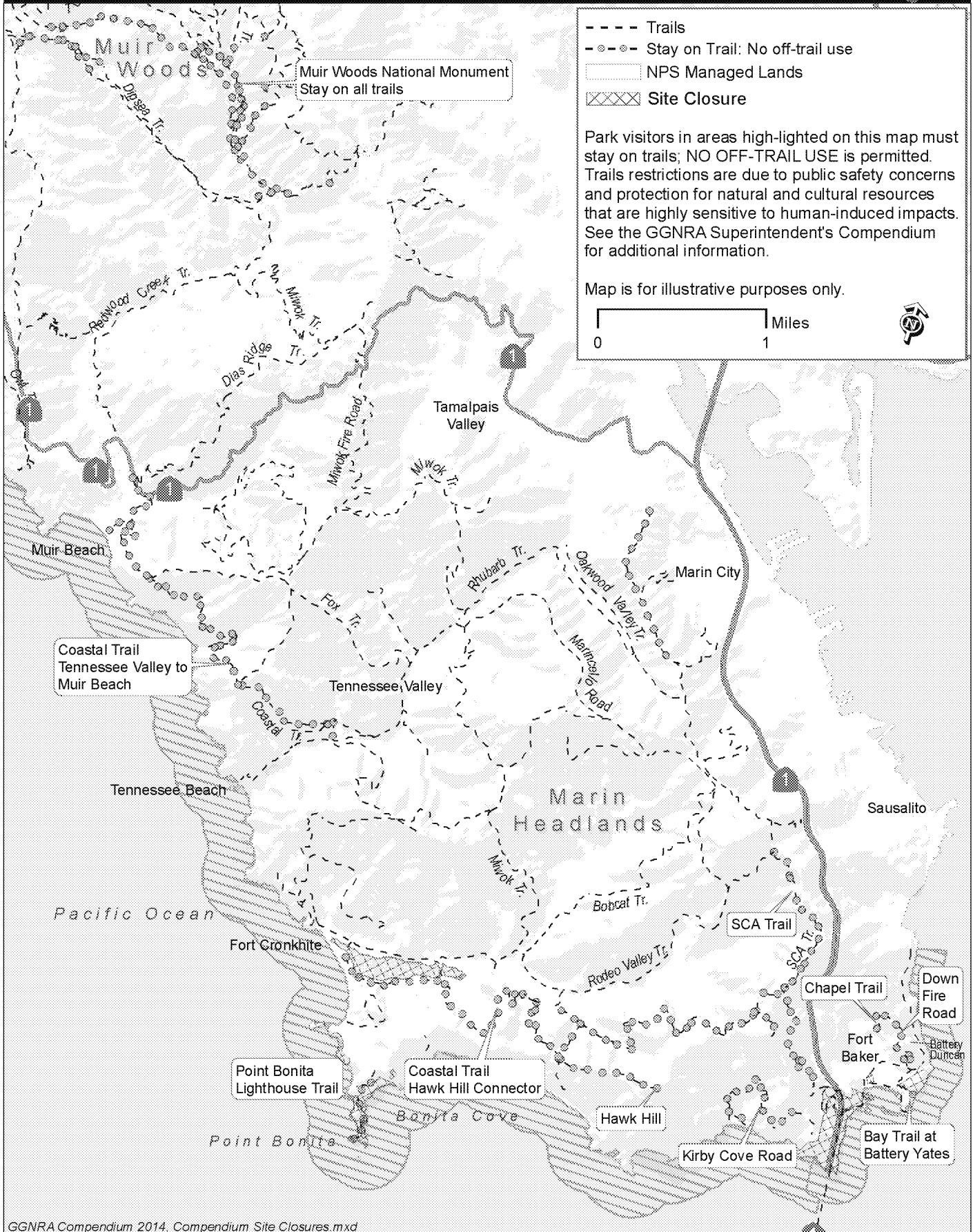
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San Francisco Zoo

**Exhibit 13A  
Trail Restrictions  
Marin County**

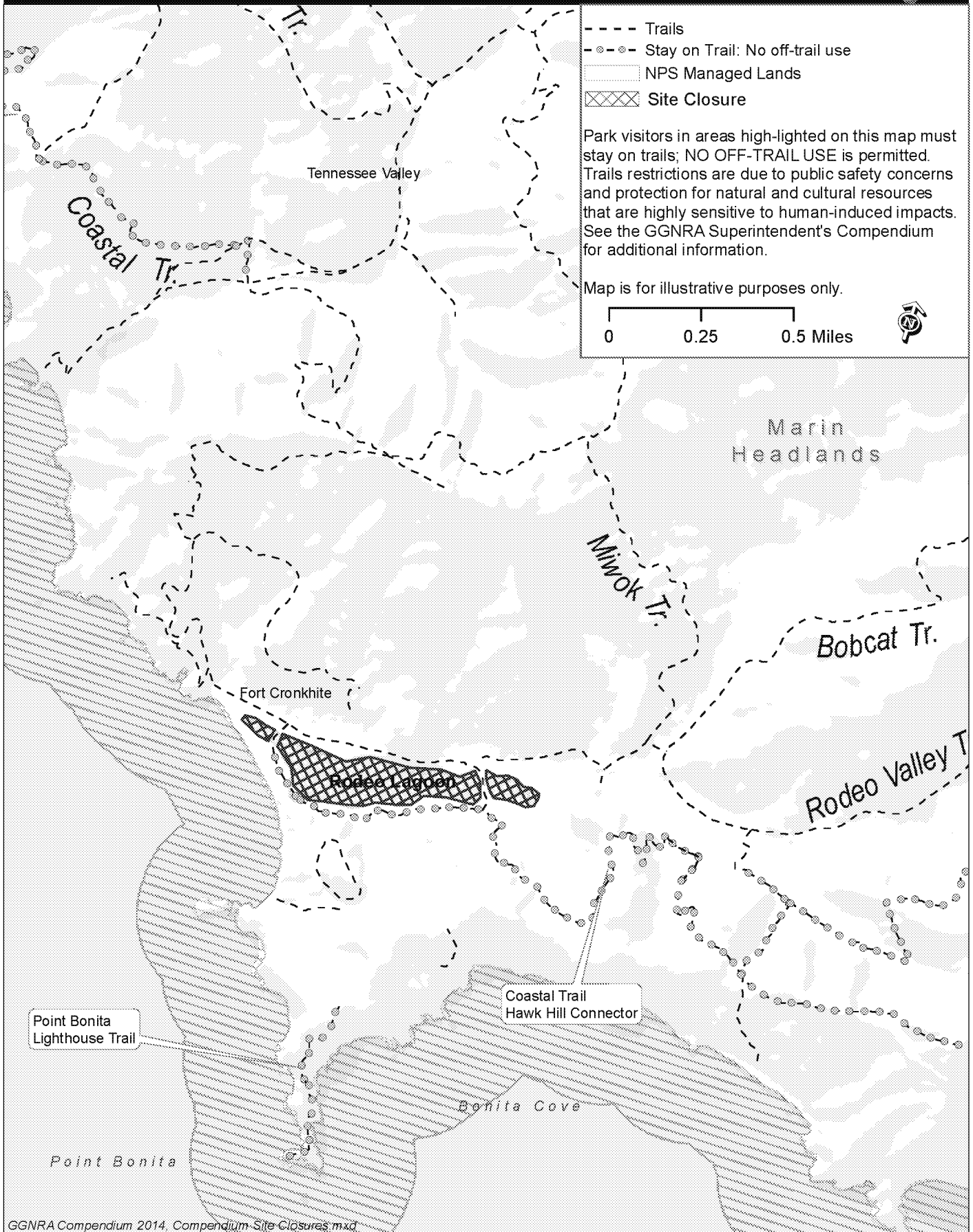
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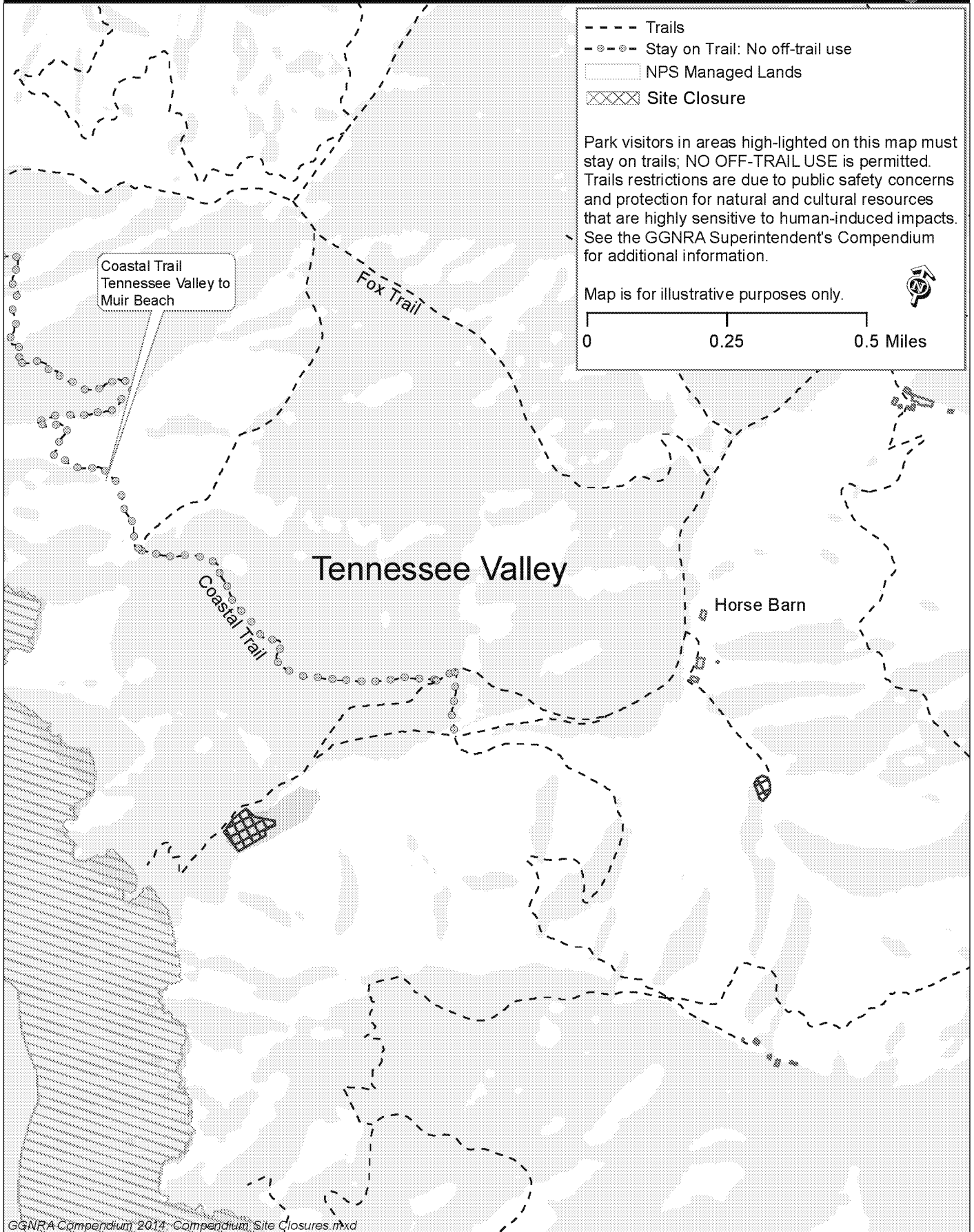
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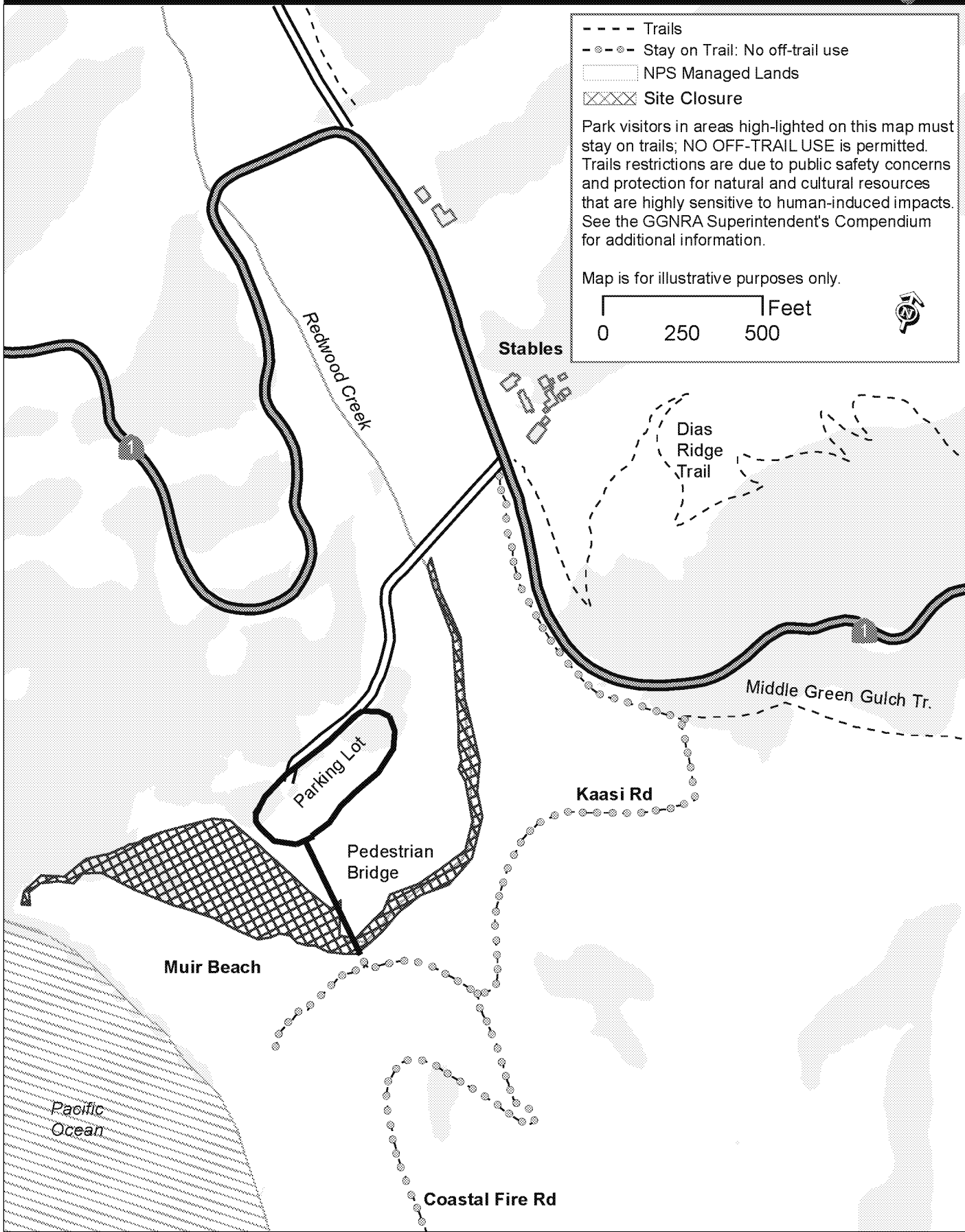
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Muir Beach**

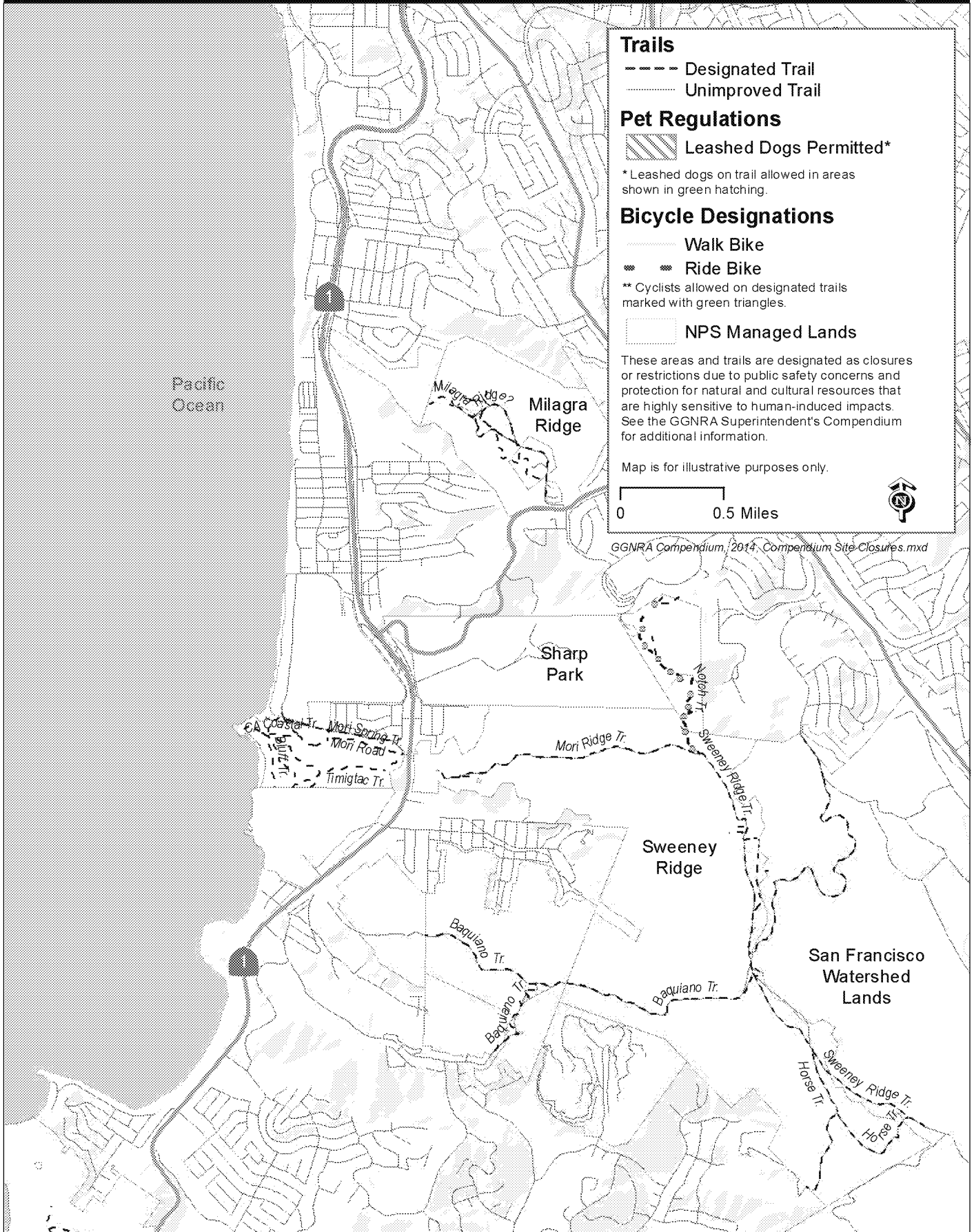
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**Exhibit 14  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Milagra and Sweeney Ridge**

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**Trails**  
 - - - - Designated Trail  
 ..... Unimproved Trail

**Pet Regulations**  
 Leashed Dogs Permitted\*

\* Leashed dogs on trail allowed in areas shown in green hatching.

**Bicycle Designations**  
 — Walk Bike  
 ● Ride Bike

\*\* Cyclists allowed on designated trails marked with green triangles.

 NPS Managed Lands

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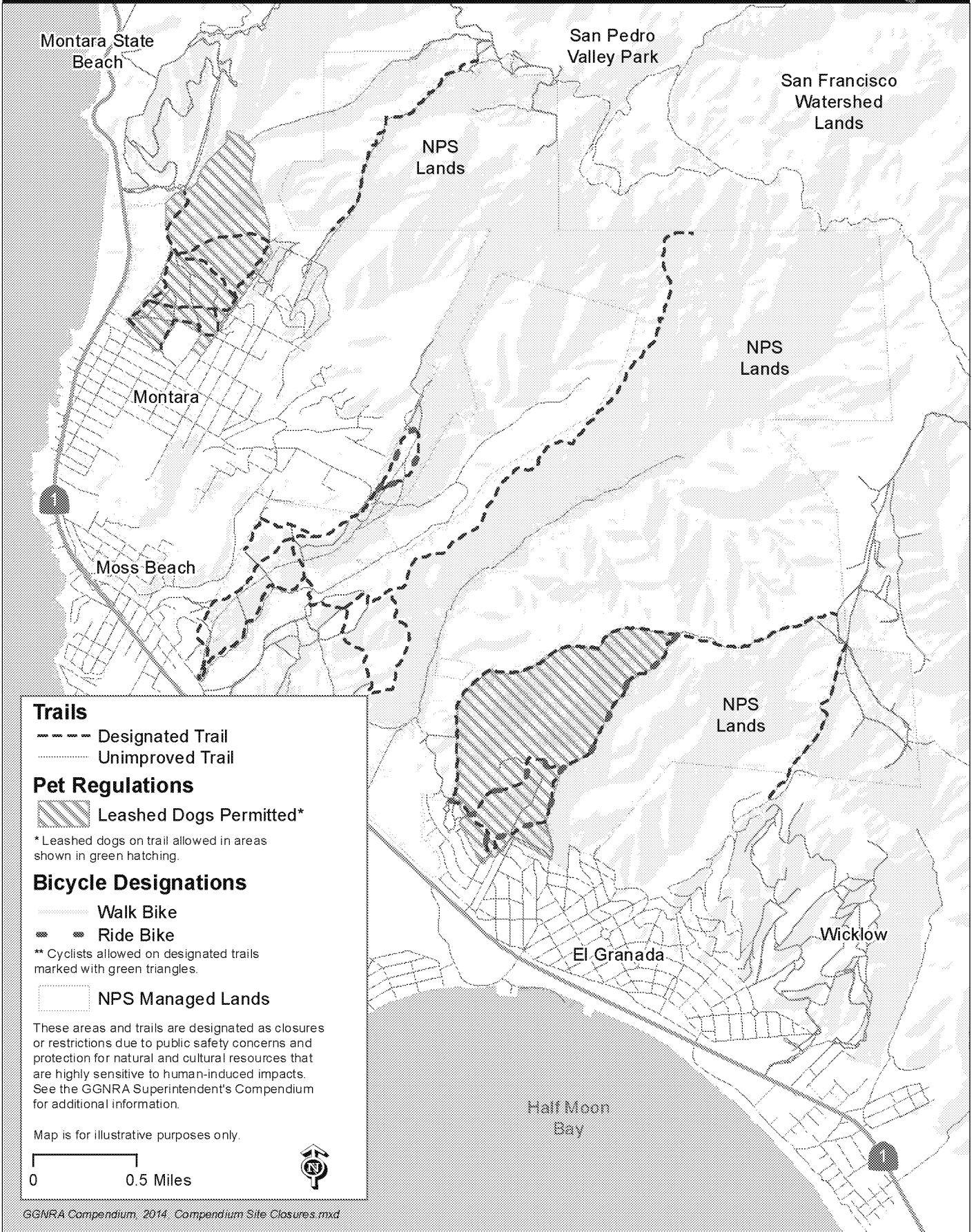
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**Exhibit 14B  
Site Closures and Trail Restrictions  
Rancho Corral de Tierra**

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**CC:** Bill Merkle [Bill\_Merkle@nps.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: dog mgt coord mtg-new schedule

Thanks for the update Mike. I'm just wondering where are the response to comments Bill and I are supposed to be reviewing this week? I haven't seen a thing and REALLY need to have an updated schedule when these things change in order to plan our time well. We have some crunch deadlines on other things, as well as our pending move.

Thanks for any info you can provide.

Daphne

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On Thu, Sep 8, 2016 at 8:51 AM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Redminder: We decided last meeting to hold the broader group dog mgt coord meetings every other week, allowing subgroups like Communications and Facilities to meet on the alternate weeks. Today will be optys for Comms group to meet on dog mgt Comms Plan.

Thank you.

Mike

On Wed, Aug 31, 2016 at 3:43 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi all,

Attached is our agenda for tomorrow. We will be meeting in GG room since we will be doing final map reviews with decision points from IDT. Full agenda attached. Thanks for your participation and representation of your division in these decisions!

Mike

PS. For those not in room, maps will be available on google drive if you have contacted me by 9AM.

On Wed, Aug 24, 2016 at 4:51 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

On Wed, Aug 24, 2016 at 4:51 PM, Savidge, Michael <[michael\\_j\\_savidge@nps.gov](mailto:michael_j_savidge@nps.gov)> wrote:

Hi all,

Due to the park's Centennial picnic at 11AM, we will not have a dog mgt mtg tomorrow, though everyone should expect a full one next week(9/1) to wrap up our IDT decisions. You will also be receiving a memo next week about reviewing NPS responses to SEIS and proposed rule for your divisional area of expertise. These reviews will require a one week turnaround to keep on schedule and should not be overly-burdensome at this point since both Michael and I are drafting them first. This will help ensure that we can meet the NPS Director's schedule from last WASO mtg.

Thank you for your continued work on making it to a new rule!

Mike

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Hi all,

On Monday, I will be talking to you about the proposed dog mgt rule in senior staff.

So that we can cover all we need to, I am asking that you take a look at the maps, beforehand, on the common drive (Craig has also set up one on NR staff drive in Headlands). O:\FOMA Common\Dog Management\Dog\_rule\_maps\_12\_12\_14\_draft

They outline what park areas/trail are proposed to be open to dogwalking (on-and off-leash). They also identify other related items of interest such as dog-free picnic areas and designated family picnic areas (where commercial dogwalking will not be allowed) based on public comment, as well as areas (eg. Muir and Rodeo beaches) where dogwalking access will be prohibited when there are water surface connections between ocean and lagoons (requiring posting).

Finally, I want you to take a look at 3 maps where new post IDT changes are proposed:

1. Crissy airfield (off-leash moving from eastern section to mid-section with 40 ft. buffers)
2. Montara (where eastern segment of Farallon trail has changed to no dogwalking)
3. Sweeney Ridge (where trail segment between Discovery site and former (now being removed) Nike site is changing to no dogwalking).

I will focus on the rule outline, and these 3 areas first, then cover other areas of interest from north to south as time allows.

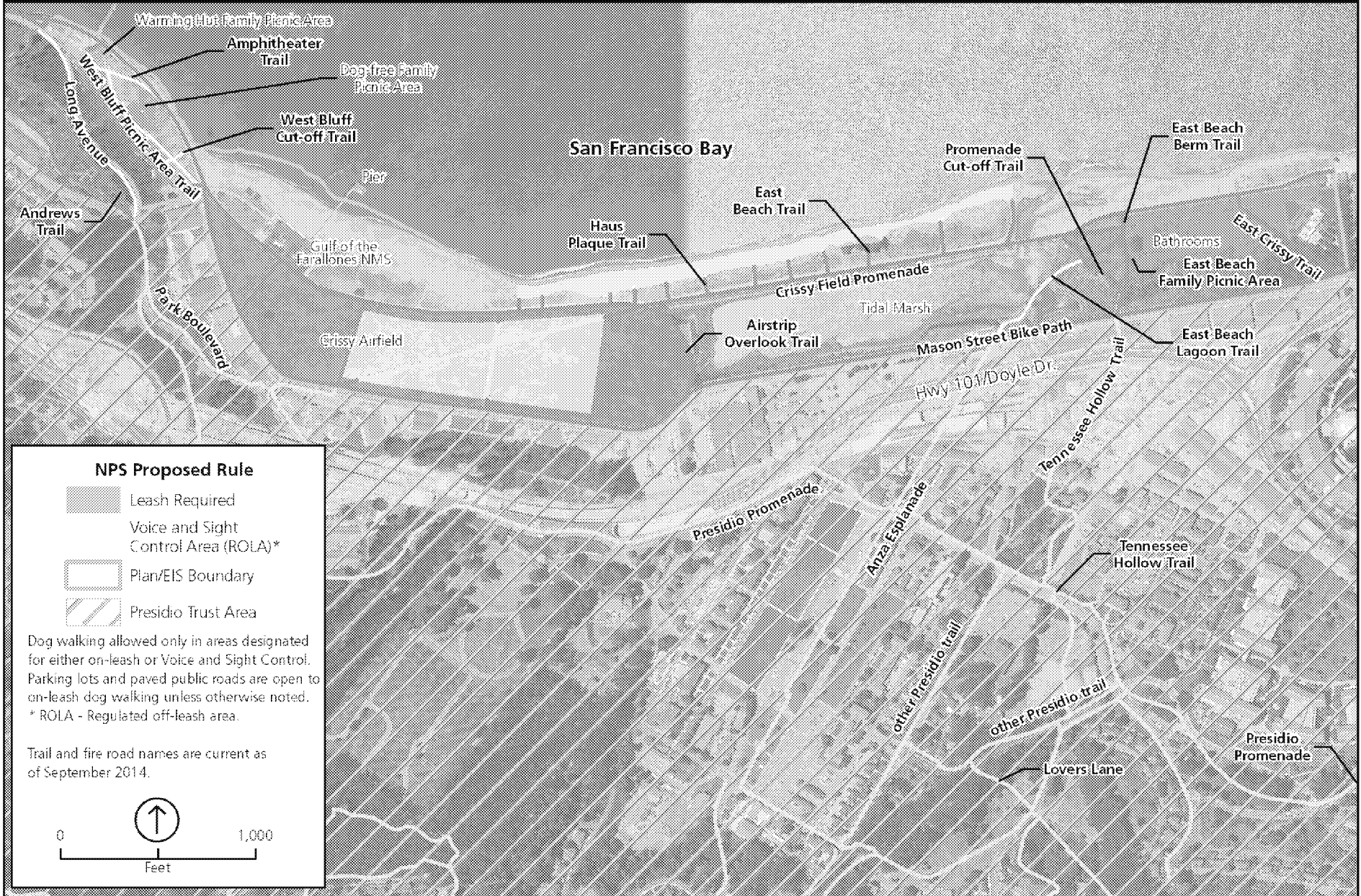
thank you for your early review,

Mike

# Map 10: Crissy Field

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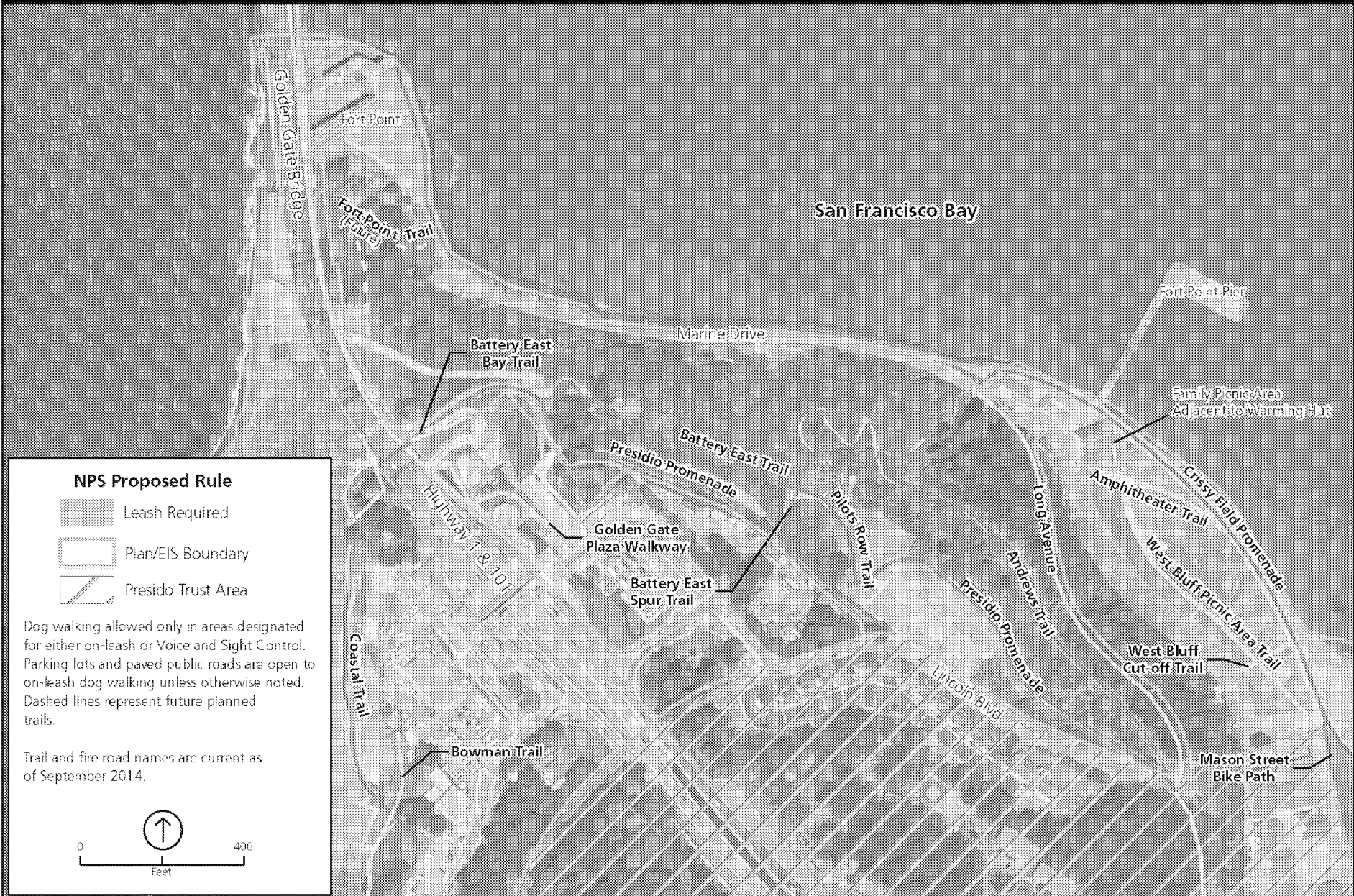
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# Map 11: Fort Point

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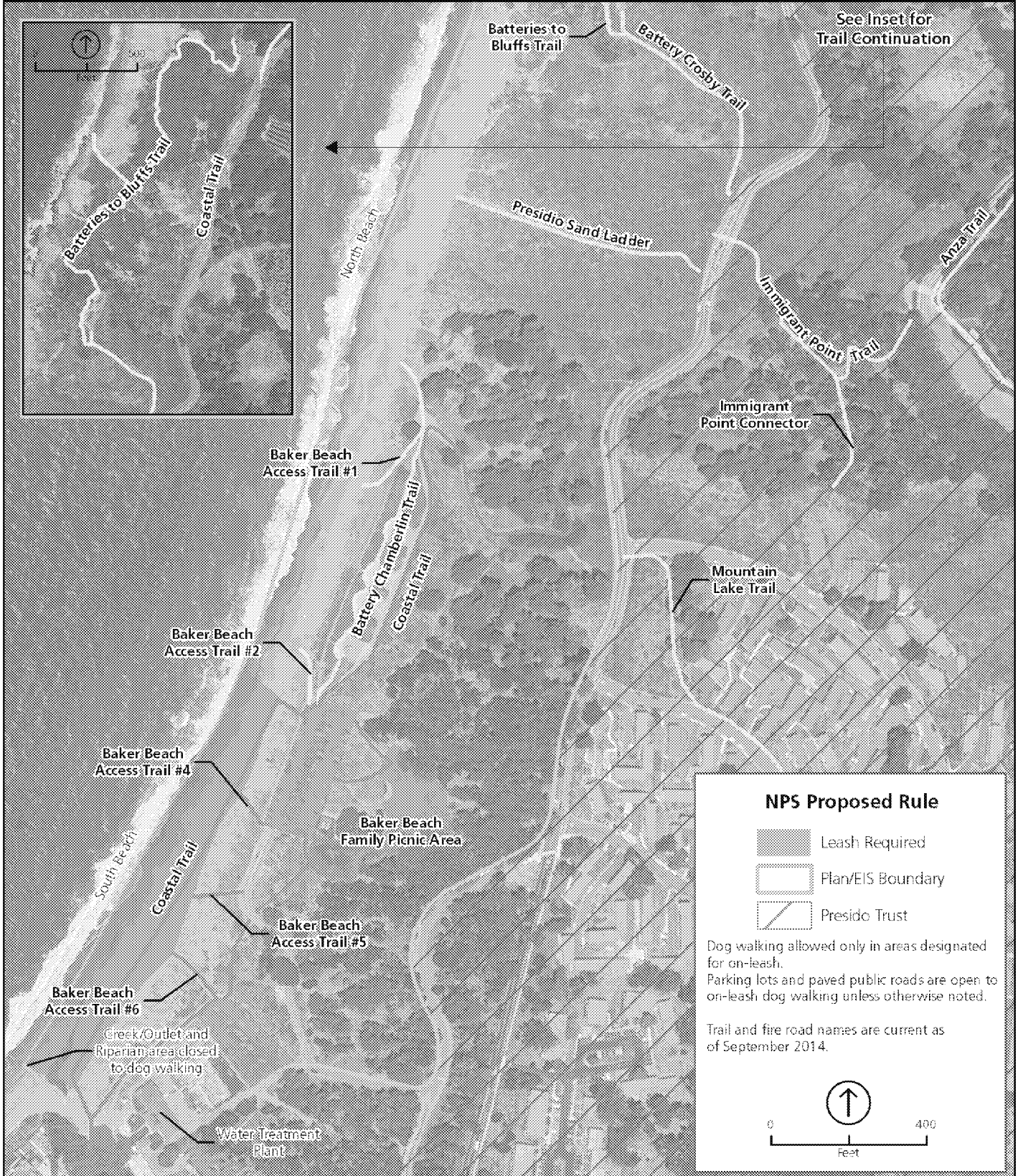
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# Map 12: Baker Beach

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# Map: 13 Lands End/Fort Miley

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