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Subject: GGNRA - Please slow down GMP what is the rush?
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Hi- I live in The Richmond and this is the first I have heard that there is legislation being pushed through to limit access to Ft. Funston, Ocean Beach and other locations :

- National Parks Service is proposing to keep people from recreating in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area that is managed using your tax dollars.
- Currently the National Parks Service is pushing forward with three separate plans that seek to limit access to areas including Fort Funston, Ocean Beach, Rancho Corral de Tierra and the Marin Headlands. Two of those plans could be signed off on as soon as this week— 1) the General Management Plan, which would establish zones where the NPS could actually prohibit people from doing things like picnicking at most of Ocean Beach; and 2) a rule that would create restrictive and expensive permits for professional dog walkers who people count on to make sure their pets receive appropriate exercise.

Our tax dollars pay for our state and national parks and we should have access especially these beloved locations in San Francisco.

- We live in one of the most densely populated urban areas in America. San Francisco is the second most densely populated city in America after New York City. And the people of the San Francisco Bay Area fought hard to establish and protect the GGNRA that was founded to provide recreational opportunities to the people of this region. Now the National Park Service, which was entrusted to protect public access, is trying to eliminate those recreational opportunities one by one nationwide.
- These are beaches and trails where people have been welcomed for more than 40 years into the GGNRA. There is no credible reason to start denying access now.

There should be a more public conversation before the NPS makes decisions regarding life in the Bay area as we know it.

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As a voting citizen of many years who uses these locations frequently I ask you to **not sign off on any new plans that could restrict our enjoyment of GGNRA lands.**

Thank you for your consideration and review.

Respectfully, Keri Gailloux

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“If you want to change attitudes, start with a change in behavior.”

— Katharine Hepburn