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

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I am writing to protest the closure of 12 acres of Fort Funston, as well as the closures which occurred in 1991 and 1995. San Francisco gave Fort Funston to the National Park Service for recreational use, and in the legislation creating the GGNRA, Congress specified urban recreation as a priority. With the new, proposed closure, nearly 30% of Fort Funston (and almost 100% of the ocean bluffs) will be closed to *all* recreational use.

By far the majority of visitors to Fort Funston come for relief from the pressures of daily living and to enjoy its decades-long tradition of off-leash free play, canine socialization and.

In one of the most densely populated cities in the country, such space is vital to all of us who live in this society, especially to the 38% of us who keep dogs, love the land, and contribute to its maintenance.

Sincerely,