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The National Park Service is pleased to announce the completion of the General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Golden Gate National Recreation Area, including Alcatraz Island, and Muir Woods National Monument. This plan is the culmination of several years of effort involving the thoughtful input and participation of thousands of individuals, dozens of public agencies, and numerous outside organizations and stakeholder groups. This plan replaces the 1980 general management plan which effectively guided the park for more than three decades.

A general management plan (GMP) is a key document for any unit of the National Park System,

because within the plan can be found the general framework that will direct and sustain more detailed planning, and guide management decisions over the next 20 years. The vision in this plan is predicated on partnership as an effective management approach, and will rely on the continued support of our partners, especially the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy. The GMP does not address specific management issues, such as dog management or equestrian operations. Those uses have specific planning processes with public involvement and documentation.

The new GMP identifies the preferred alternatives - Connecting People with the Parks for parkland in San Mateo, San Francisco, and Marin counties; and, Focusing on National Treasures for Muir Woods and Alcatraz Island - as reshaped by public comments on the Draft GMP/EIS. The plan includes a summary of comments and the NPS responses to them.

How to get a copy:

You may download a copy of the plan at: http://parkplanning.nps.gov/GGNRA_GMP. A limited number of CDs and printed documents will be available at GGNRA headquarters in Fort Mason, Building 201, San Francisco. Printed copies have been sent to the following libraries: San Mateo County-Main, San Francisco-Main, Marin County-Civic Center. There will be a summary document available later this summer.

A Record of Decision (ROD) documenting the decision rationale, signed by the Regional Director following the required 30-day notification period, will be available on the park website when it is signed. The notification period starts today, April 25, 2014, with the Notice of Availability for the Final GMP/EIS being published in the Federal Register. As this is the Final GMP/EIS, there is no longer a comment period. Implementation of the plan will be authorized when the Regional Director signs the ROD.

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