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GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

Open House

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4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Sanchez Concert Hall
1220 Linda Mar Blvd.

(1.5 miles east of Highway 1 in Pacifica on Linda Mar Blvd., right-hand side)
Pacifica, California



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The National Park Service cares for special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

Join us for a public Open House to discuss plans and projects
in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA).
This Open House is an opportunity to meet park staff, learn
about the ongoing projects, and provide your feedback and comments.
Come any time during the Open House and stay as long as you like!

**PARK STAFF AND INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS WILL BE
AVAILABLE AT THESE STATIONS AT THE OPEN HOUSE**

Station 1: Natural Resources Park Data Collection in San Mateo County

Park staff has collected the following natural resource information to help with the development of the General Management Plan (GMP). This data will help the park to know what constraints we might have in terms of new development, as well as opportunities in terms of restoring habitat for various sensitive species. Staff involved in this data collection will be at the meeting to share and discuss the information data collection and its status. Information will be displayed on:

- *Vegetation mapping;*
- *Wetlands mapping;*
- *Mission blue butterfly habitat mapping;* and
- *Existing maps and data for special status species of wildlife and plant species that are known to occur on the new park lands.*

Station 2: Cultural Resources Park Data Collection in San Mateo County

NPS has contracted with San Francisco State University to compile an Historic Resources Study of San Mateo County which is 50 percent completed. At last year's Open House many attendees provided historic information on the county. This year Park Historian Steve Haller will display historic photos of cultural resources in San Mateo County, including resources with historic themes (logging, agriculture, transportation, military, environmental, and Native American) and historic properties (Rancho Corral de Tierra, Portola's Trail, Ocean Shore Railroad, Pruristac Village, shipwrecks, and Sweeney Ridge Nike missile site).

Station 3: Mori Point Restoration: Phase I Implementation

Find out about the first phase of habitat restoration and trail improvements at Mori Point. Mori Point contains 110 beautiful acres of coastal scrub, grassland and riparian plant communities located on the Pacifica coast (see photo on cover sheet). Quarrying and off-road vehicle use have left this site heavily scarred. The focus of restoration work here is to protect the endangered San Francisco garter snake and the threatened red legged frog --while providing for public access.

Station 4: Trails Forever

Trails Forever is a partnership initiative with the National Park Service, the Presidio Trust, and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy that has been stewarding and improving park landscapes and engaging park visitors with projects and programs since 2003. This is an opportunity to learn about recent successes and ongoing projects of the initiative, including the Trailkeeper volunteer program, Mori Point Restoration, Cattle Hill Trail Rehabilitation, and other trail work.

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Station 5: Updating the General Management Plan

The General Management Plan (GMP) creates a vision for management of the park for the next 20 years. We encourage your participation in helping to shape the future of the park. The last GMP was completed more than 25 years ago. Since then, the park has more than doubled in size and visitation, and the ecological and historical importance of its resources has become better understood. Come hear a summary of what we learned during the scoping process and discuss with us your ideas for the years ahead in San Mateo County.

Station 6: GGNRA Marin Equestrian Plan

The purpose of the plan is to identify and improve equestrian sites, facilities, programs, and stables management on GGNRA land in southern Marin County so that park visitors are better served in a manner consistent with NPS plans and policies and that park natural and cultural resources are preserved and protected.

The GGNRA is in the process of preparing environmental documents and alternatives for three current stables sites in southern Marin NPS lands. The sites are in Tennessee Valley, Rodeo Valley and Muir Beach. The park is determining the best use of each site, along with programmatic and operational objectives that preserve wide public and park resources. Public scoping is complete and a summary of the public comments is available on the GGNRA planning website at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/goga>.

Station 7: City of Pacifica GGNRA Liaison Committee

GGNRA welcomes members of the City of Pacifica's Golden Gate National Recreation Area Liaison Committee. The committee was set up by the Pacifica City Council to coordinate with GGNRA on enhancing visitor enjoyment and recreational opportunities and promoting relevant and land use management in GGNRA lands. Committee members will be informing Pacifica citizens of its annual work plan, discussing committee goals, and present a slide show regarding committee activities.

Information on Special Use Permits

Information will be available at this Open House regarding new special use permit costs effective October 1, 2007. Activities such as athletic contests, special events, music festivals, commercial film and photography, and weddings require a special use permit in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. For the first time in five years, the park will be changing the amount charged for these various permits. Although most costs will remain the same, a few items, such as hourly overtime charges for park staff, will be going up. For more information on permit costs and information of other current projects in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, see the park's planning website at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/goga>.

Public involvement in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area is a cornerstone for a well managed, protected, preserved, balanced, safe and user-friendly national park. The National Park Service recognizes the public's interest and the opportunity for park users to make their opinions known. Public involvement is sought so that concerns that may affect park users can be resolved in a timely and practical manner in order for the park to make sound and balanced decisions.

Note: Pets are prohibited in public buildings, with the exception of service animals.

Sign language interpreters are available at this Open House by request but must be requested at least ONE WEEK prior to the meeting. The GGNRA TDD phone number is (415) 556-2766.

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