

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

**ADDENDUM TO THE  
RECORD OF DECISION**

**GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods National Monument  
California**

**January \_\_\_\_, 2018**

The Department of the Interior, National Park Service, has prepared this addendum to the January 30, 2015, Record of Decision on the Final General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods National Monument (GGNRA). This addendum implements the National Park Service's decision to end the GGNRA's Dog Management Plan rulemaking and NEPA process and to rescind the Proposed Dog Management Plan and Rule. See 82 Fed. Reg. 61,199 (Dec. 27, 2017).

The paragraphs concerning the relationship between the General Management Plan and the Dog Management Plan on page 24 of the Record of Decision are replaced with the following paragraphs:

Following an extensive NEPA process, including an independent review of the NEPA process, the National Park Service decided to end the Dog Management Plan rulemaking process. As a result, the 1979 Pet Policy, as amended, remains in effect in and throughout the GGNRA.

For lands added to the GGNRA after the 1979 Pet Policy first became effective, and which would have been governed by the proposed Dog Management Plan, the status quo with respect to actual dog recreation on those lands immediately prior to their acquisition by the GGNRA shall be preserved and included as part of the 1979 Pet Policy, as amended.

The National Park Service will work with interested parties to develop clear and enforceable rules, clear and ample signage designating voice control areas per the amended 1979 Pet Policy, public outreach and education in local communities in the three counties within the GGNRA. These efforts will be designed to encourage and support responsible dog ownership. Efforts will be overseen by a committee made up of members of the National Park Service and relevant user groups that would focus on addressing and resolving outstanding issues in a timely manner. These user groups will include residents of neighborhoods and

communities located on or adjacent to GGNRA lands in Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties.

Any other references to the Dog Management Plan in the Record of Decision or the underlying NEPA review documents are hereby superseded.

The NEPA processes for the General Management Plan and Dog Management Plan thoroughly evaluated a “no action” alternative that would have continued to manage dog recreation in the GGNRA under the 1979 Pet Policy and the Superintendent’s Compendium, as amended. The “no action” alternative accounted for the National Park Service’s ability to implement better dog owner education, and compliance and adaptive management measures, to ensure the ongoing protection of GGNRA’s natural values. Accordingly, the changes made by this Addendum have already been fully evaluated under NEPA, and no additional NEPA review is required.

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