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Subject: Re-establish shoreline access & invest in Candlestick

Dear Executive Director Goldzband and BCDC Commissioners,

I'm writing to you as a longtime resident in the Bayview neighborhood near Candlestick Point State Recreation Area in southeast San Francisco.

The State Park is a place of outdoor refuge and peaceful access to the Bay that I regularly visit. Since November 2021, however, the road leading to the entrance of the State Park, Hunters Point Expressway, has been blocked for through traffic. Now the road is completely flooded and has been in that state since December 2022. Furthermore, the only parking lot, the Last Port, can only accommodate less than a dozen vehicles and closes by 4pm. As a result of these changes, my access to the State Park and waterfront, and the access of many of our community – include those with accessibility issues – has been severely restricted.

This park is an important asset for my family and to the nearby community. This is a highly diverse neighborhood that also has some of the most dramatic environmental pollution and poor health outcomes in San Francisco. Now with the State Park even less accessible, the community loses an open space for healthy outdoor recreation.

Lastly, the State Park has been in severe disrepair for many years – pathways are eroding, there is no running water, bathrooms have been replaced by unsightly portable toilets, and picnic tables have been vandalized. These are major departures from the goals under which BCDC approved the State Park permit (Permit # 1979.014.11).

On behalf of myself and the community here, I ask BCDC to help re-establish access to this park and advocate for proper infrastructure investment and maintenance for the park as outlined.

Thank you,

Sean Karlin

Resident in Hunters Point, 94124



BAYVIEW HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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April 3, 2023

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and BCDC Commissioners
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Dear Director Goldzband and BCDC Commissioners:

As President of the Bayview Hill Neighborhood Association and a resident of the Bayview community, I am writing to urge you to reestablish access to the Candlestick Point State Recreation Area in addition to providing and advocating for the necessary funding for ongoing maintenance and upkeep.

As a community group, active since 1984 and incorporated as a California 501(c)3 non-profit organization in 1990, members of the Bayview Hill Neighborhood Association are residents of the Southeast sector of San Francisco and represent residents/homeowners who live and work in the area from Williams/Van Dyke Avenues to the San Francisco County line and from the Bayshore Freeway to Candlestick Point. We are all committed to making our neighborhood a safe, clean, and well-maintained place to live and raise our children. Our all-volunteer Association meets monthly to discuss neighborhood concerns and provide an opportunity for city and other government agents, developers and other interested parties to meet directly with residents. Our mission is to combat neighborhood deterioration by being a concerned, informed and watchful group of residents that protect the wellbeing of our community through our united voice and actions.

As one of the oldest neighborhood organizations in the area, we are a witness to the sweeping changes in population and diversity of this community. As a long-time Bayview resident, I have also witnessed the disinvestment of areas such as ours that still has the largest population of people of color and that is home to the largest population of unhoused people in our city. This is a highly diverse neighborhood that also has some of the most significant environmental pollution and poor health outcomes in San Francisco. Now with the State Park even less accessible, the our community loses an open space for healthy outdoor recreation.

The State Park is a place of outdoor refuge and peaceful access to the Bay that I and many of my neighbors regularly visit. Sadly, it has been in severe disrepair for many years – pathways are eroding, there is no running water, bathrooms have been replaced by unsightly portable toilets, and picnic structures have fallen into major disrepair in the park. Since November 2021, however, the road leading to the entrance of the State Park, Hunters Point Expressway, has been blocked for through traffic. Now the road is completely flooded and has been since December 2022. Further, the only parking lot, the Last Port, can only accommodate less than a dozen vehicles and closes by 4pm. As a result of these changes, access to the State Park and waterfront has been severely restricted.

This park is an important asset for my family and to the nearby community. On behalf of myself and the community here, I strongly urge BCDC to reestablish access to the Candlestick Point State Recreation Area in addition to providing and advocating for the necessary funding for ongoing maintenance and upkeep.

Sincerely,

Marsha Maloof
Board President

CC: Bayview Hill Neighborhood Association Board of Directors

From: Brians.Johnson
Sent: Monday, April 3, 2023 5:06 PM
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Subject: Re-establish shoreline access at Candlestick

Dear BCDC Commissioners,

I'm writing to you as a longtime resident in the Bayview neighborhood near Candlestick Point State Recreation Area in southeast San Francisco. The State Park is a place of outdoor refuge and peaceful access to the Bay that I regularly visit. Since November 2021, however, the road leading to the entrance of the State Park, Hunters Point Expressway, has been blocked for through traffic. Now the road is completely flooded and has been since December 2022. Further, the only parking lot, the Last Port, can only accommodate less than a dozen vehicles and closes by 4pm. As a result of these changes, my access to the State Park and waterfront has been severely restricted.

This park is an important asset for my family and to the nearby community. This is a highly diverse neighborhood that also has some of the most dramatic environmental pollution and poor health outcomes in San Francisco. Now with the State Park even less accessible, the community loses an open space for healthy outdoor recreation.

Furthermore, the State Park has been in severe disrepair for many years – pathways are eroding, there is no running water, bathrooms have been replaced by unsightly portable toilets, and picnic structures have fallen into major disrepair in the park.

On behalf of myself and the community here, I ask BCDC to help reestablish access to this park, and strongly encourage proper upkeep and maintenance for the park as outlined in its permit for the health of our community.

Thank you,
Brian Johnson
Resident in 94124