

September 20, 2005

Secretary Gale Norton Department of the Interior 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

Director Fran P. Mainella National Park Service 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

Regional Director Jon Jarvis Pacific West Region National Park Service One Jackson Center 1111 Jackson Street Oakland, CA 94607

Superintendent Brian O'Neill Golden Gate National RecreationArea Fort Mason, Building 201 San Francisco, CA94123

Dear Secretary Norton, Director Mainella, Regional Director Jarvis, and Superintendent O'Neill:

Dogs Deserve Better, based in Tipton, PA, is an ASPCA award-winning national nonprofit education/legislation/rescue organization dedicated to freeing chained and penned dogs by bringing them into the family home to live. DDB spays/neuters and provides veterinary care for these rescues as well. The organization currently has 84 representatives in 27 states and branches in Puerto Rico, Canada, and Australia.

We urge you to support the adoption of regulations that require dogs be leashed or otherwise humanely restrained while in the Golden Gate National RecreationArea as described in the petition dated August 16, 2005 and submitted by a broad coalition of groups.

Thank you,

Tammy Grimes
Founder, Dogs Deserve Better