PLAN A SHORELINE VISIT

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline encompasses 306 acres of hill and shoreline property at Point Richmond, near the Richmond–San Rafael Bridge, and includes Keller Beach, a gift from the City of Richmond to the Park District, and Ferry Point, dedicated in September 2002.

Excellent, hard-blowing winds along the shoreline make the area excellent for kite flying. Memorable views from the park include Mt. Tamalpais to the west, the San Francisco skyline to the southwest, and various Bay Area hills and bridges. Views to the east are afforded by a hike up to Nicholl Knob, a 371-foot peak given to the Park District by Lucretia and Tom Edwards.

There are opportunities for hiking in the nearby hills, and on the beach and grassy areas. Paved, level bicycle paths circle the saltwater lagoon and lead to the pier.

Take a picnic to the park and enjoy the fresh air at one of the many picnic tables. Many picnic areas are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note that beer and wine are allowed only with a picnic reservation and permit—call (510) 562-2267. Several large picnic areas are available by reservation, and all are accessible to the disabled. If your group will be over 50 in number, call (510) 562-2267 at least 14 days in advance to make a reservation. Please do not attach ropes, pinatas, party paper, string, or signs to trees, tables, or other District property in the park.

Other activities include fishing from the rip-rap boulders or off the pier at the point. Fish to be caught include striped bass, starry flounder, rubber-lipped perch, speckled sand dab, herring, jacksmelt, topsmelt, northern anchovy, cabezon, staghorn sculpin, and leopard shark. Persons 16 and older are required to have a California State Fishing License when fishing from the shoreline. No license is required to fish from the pier. Keller Beach, located at the north end of the park, offers a sandy beach and a small bay for swimming. Look for shoreline birds such as grebes, ducks, and sandpipers when the tide is out. Groves of trees have been planted at Keller Beach as a tribute to Hans and Lori Shaper, and in the park by Boy Scout Troop III in memory of former U.S. Congressman Robert Dornan.

Ferry Point was once the western terminus of the transcontinental railroad. It was opened in 1890 by the Santa Fe Railroad to move freight and passengers from Richmond to San Francisco. Ferry service ended in 1975. The East Bay Regional Park District restored a part of the pier for public fishing and recreation. There are nearby benches and a lawn area, and a paved pathway from the parking area to the pier.

If you would like this information in an alternative format, please contact the Public Affairs Department at (510) 544-2200, fax (510) 635-3478, TDD (510) 633-0460, or info@ebparks.org.

PARKLAND RULES

Welcome to your regional parklands. Help protect park resources and ensure an enjoyable visit for everyone by complying with these rules and any posted regulations. The Park District’s Ordinance 38, which is summarized below, lists specific rules for use and protection of regional parklands. Violators will be subject to citation or arrest. For further information, ask a Park Ranger, Public Safety Officer, or telephone (510) 881-1833.

PARK GATES ARE OPEN to the public during hours posted at the park entrance. Unless otherwise posted, CURFEW is between the hours of 10 p.m. and 5 a.m., except for persons possessing a permit to remain on parklands.

MOTOR VEHICLES are restricted to designated parking areas and paved public roads.

BICYCLES may be ridden on designated bicycle trails, and on fire or service roads, unless otherwise posted. Bicycles are not permitted, either ridden, walked, or carried, in areas posted “No Bicycles,” or on narrow hiking or narrow equestrian trails. State law requires that all bicyclists under age 18 wear an approved helmet while riding on trails and roadways. Riders should call out or sound a warning when overtaking other trail users.

DOGS must be leashed (six-foot maximum) and under control at any posted area, parking lot, picnic site, lawn or developed area. No dogs or other animals are permitted at any swimming pool, beach, wetland or marsh. Owners must always carry a leash (six-foot maximum). Dogs may be off-leash in open space and undeveloped areas of parklands, provided they are under control at all times. Dangerous animals are not allowed in the parks. Please dispose of your dog's waste by placing it in a garbage can. Persons who walk more than three dogs at a time on Regional Parks trails must obtain a permit; commercial dog walkers are required to obtain a permit regardless of how many dogs they walk at one time (limit of six). Please call (510) 544-3009 for information.

SWIMMING, WADING, and other water contact activities are permitted only in designated areas. DIVING is permitted only from designated diving boards and swim platforms. SCUBA diving is prohibited in any District lake or inland waters.

PLANTS, ANIMALS, GEOLOGIC, ARCHAEOLOGIC OR HISTORIC OBJECTS are protected by law. Please do not disturb or remove any of these features.

HELP PROTECT OUR PARK WILDLIFE by not releasing or feeding ducks, cats or other animals. Do not feed wild park animals; enjoy them from a distance.

FIRES are permitted in barbecue pits or personal cooking equipment in designated picnic areas or irrigated turf areas only, placed at least 30 feet from flammable materials. Please do not place hot coals on the ground or in a garbage can. Dispose of hot coals or other burned fuel in barbecue pits or in designated hot coal disposal receptacles.

FIREWORKS are not permitted in any regional park.

CAMPING is not permitted within District parklands without a permit.

A state license is required to FISH at all regional parks. A District fishing permit is also required when posted.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES are not permitted at pools, swim beaches or within 50 feet of paved roads, parking lots or posted areas. Otherwise, beer and wine are permitted at picnic areas and elsewhere on parklands.

GAMES and ACTIVITIES, including model rockets, model airplanes, hang gliding, golf and other activities with potential risk to property or park visitors are permitted only in designated areas.

ASSEMBLIES, PERFORMANCES, SPECIAL EVENTS or similar gatherings require a permit.

Please be considerate of other park visitors if you use a RADIO. A permit is required for AMPLIFICATION of voice, music or other sounds.

FIREARMS or BOWS AND ARROWS are not permitted on regional parklands except at established ranges. Crossbows, spears, slingshots, air pistols or rifles, and other dangerous weapons are prohibited anywhere on regional parklands.

PARK VISITORS are responsible for knowing and following park rules.