

Presidio Open Space Update 2025-2026

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Accessible Loop Trail
This 1.75-mile loop trail includes segments of the Presidio Promenade, Park Trail, Bay Area Ridge Trail, and Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail. In FY25 we completed storm drainage improvements around Park Boulevard, Amatury Loop, and Kobbe Avenue to reduce the water flows onto the trail. In fall 2025, we'll address erosion by resurfacing sections of trail with compacted shale and reconstructing trail landings.
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Main Post Paving & Pedestrian Improvements
We will repave Moraga Avenue, Funston Avenue, Mesa Street, Presidio Boulevard, and the parking area near Presidio Officers' Club. Improvements for pedestrians will include added and widened sidewalks, new or improved curb ramps, and safety improvements at pedestrian crossings.
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Washington/Arguello Intersection Improvements
We're reconfiguring the intersection of Washington Boulevard and Arguello Boulevard to be more pedestrian friendly and intuitive for cyclists and vehicles.
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Transit, Bike, & Trail Improvements: 25th Avenue Gate to Kobbe
On Lincoln Boulevard, just inside the 25th Avenue Gate, we will improve bus stops and on-street bike lanes. Farther north on Lincoln Boulevard, we will add a roadside trail between Pershing Drive and the point at which the Coastal Trail deviates from the roadway. We will also upgrade guardrails.

NATIVE HABITAT RESTORATION

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Central Tributary West
Starting in August 2025, we'll remove 1.75 acres of declining trees located near structures and trails. This will increase the defensible space for fire protection and increase the biodiversity of the

native flora. Some remaining trees will be topped but left standing to provide habitat for cavity nesting birds. Oaks and toyons will be protected and left in place.

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Sunset Scrub Trees
Starting in August 2025, we'll remove 2.4 acres of declining pine trees to restore dune and coastal scrub habitat. Some trees will be topped but left standing to provide habitat for wildlife. Restored dune habitat will support the endangered San Francisco lessingia and other rare plants.

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Lendrum Reforestation
In August 2025, we'll remove approximately 60 Blue Gum eucalyptus trees from a 2-acre section of historic forest west of Lincoln Boulevard between Hoffman Street and Armistead Road. Next, we'll replant a small number of eucalyptus trees to maintain the site's historic character, complemented by a diverse native understory. This will enhance ecological resilience, improve habitat, and promote the forest's health and biodiversity.
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Cavalry Bowl Reforestation - Phase 3
In August 2025, we'll remove approximately 40 Monterey cypress and Monterey pine trees within a 1-acre section of the historic forest at the intersection of Lincoln Boulevard and McDowell Avenue. We'll retain several healthy cypress trees to create a stand with mixed aged trees. Next, we'll replant a diverse mix of trees including cypress, pine, oak, and eucalyptus, along with a diverse native understory. This will enhance ecological resilience, improve habitat, and promote the forest's health and biodiversity.

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Eucalyptus Thinning - Arguello and West Pacific
In August 2025, we'll thin trees within a 1-acre section of historic forest east of Arguello Boulevard and West Pacific Avenue by removing dead and small competing eucalyptus trees. This will improve

the health and resilience of the stand. Unlike a traditional reforestation project, this site focuses on ecological restoration. Invasive understory vegetation, which contributes to wildfire risk, will be removed and replaced with a diverse palette of native species. This aligns with the Presidio's Wildland Fire Management strategies while enhancing the forest's biodiversity and vitality.

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Upper Storey Residential Neighborhood Landscape Improvements
Following utility upgrades, we will convert some small areas of lawn to landscape bed plantings or hardscape to allow for better use of the spaces at the backs of the homes and more water conservation.
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Park Forest Stand Stormwater Best Management Practices
We've added a vegetated swale and basin carved out of the sandy soils alongside the newly planted forest stand on Park Boulevard. This has improved stormwater infiltration and allowed us to decommission a section of stormwater pipe by allowing water to flow along the surface of the ground and then infiltrate down into groundwater. The second phase of construction was completed in spring 2025. Planting will occur in late 2025 when the rainy season begins.
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Sanches Residential Neighborhood Landscape Replacement
We've begun designing improvements to the aging landscape in this residential neighborhood. We expect to convert some small areas of lawn to landscape plantings to allow for better use of the spaces and more water conservation. We'll replace declining and dead shrubs and trees as a part of this project.

The Trust is incorporating **ECOLOGICAL HORTICULTURE** practices as we improve park landscapes.

Ecological horticulture is the art and science of growing plants that improve the ecological health of a landscape and enhance its surrounding environment for the benefit of wild creatures.



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