



**Order To  
Revise the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency and  
Closures and Public Use Limits  
Presidio of San Francisco, Area B  
Title 36 CFR § 1001.5  
Date: April 22, 2020**

Pursuant to my emergency authorities as the Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) of the Presidio Trust, I hereby issue this Order to revise the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency and Closures and Public Use Limits, which applies to all lands administered by the Presidio Trust in the Presidio of San Francisco (otherwise known as Area B of the Presidio).

**Background**

On March 16, 2020, the City and County of San Francisco (“CCSF”) Health Officer issued [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07](#) to limit the spread of COVID-19 in the community, effective through April 7, 2020. Thereafter, I issued the [COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency](#) declaring an emergency for Area B of the Presidio, also effective through April 7, 2020. On March 19, 2020, the State of California issued a complementary [Stay At Home Order](#) for all residents of the state, effective until further notice. On March 31, 2020, due to the continuing COVID-19 outbreak in the community, the CCSF issued [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07b](#), which clarified, strengthened, and extended its prior Shelter in Place Order to increase physical distancing and reduce person-to-person contact in the local community. Thereafter, on April 2, 2020, I issued the [Order to Extend the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency and Revise Closures and Public Use Limits](#), revising and extending the declaration of emergency for Area B of the Presidio until further notice. Most recently, the CCSF issued [Face Coverings Order No. C19-12](#) generally requiring members of the public and workers to wear face coverings under certain conditions.

This Order for Area B of the Presidio updates certain road and parking closures in the Presidio, authorizes a weekend road closure program to reduce vehicular traffic and create more open space for physical distancing, and requires members of the public and workers in the Presidio to wear face coverings consistent with the CCSF’s orders. This Order revises the [Order to Extend the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency and Revise Closures and Public Use Limits](#), issued April 2, 2020 (revising and extending the declaration of emergency for Area B of the Presidio); the [COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency](#), issued March 18, 2020 (declaring an emergency for Area B of the Presidio); the [Message from Jean S. Fraser, re "Shelter in Place" Order and Emergency Declaration](#), issued March 18, 2020 (providing supplementary information regarding the Declaration of Emergency and the CCSF’s Shelter in Place Order); and the [COVID-19](#)

[Emergency Closures and Public Use Limits](#), version 2, issued March 27, 2020 (imposing closures and public use limits for Area B of the Presidio).

As the CEO of the Presidio Trust, I may revise this Order as the situation evolves. Individuals may stay updated by checking the Presidio Trust's website (<https://www.presidio.gov/coronavirus>) regularly. This Order adopts restrictions addressing the particular facts and circumstances in the Presidio, which are necessary to respond to the public health emergency as it is evolving.

### **Presidio Emergency Will Continue Until Further Notice**

As set forth in the [Order to Extend the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency and Revise Closures and Public Use Limits](#), issued April 2, 2020, the COVID-19 Emergency in Area B of the Presidio will remain in effect until further notice. I have taken, and will continue to take, all actions appropriate under the circumstances to maintain public health and safety within the Presidio in connection with this emergency, related activities, and resulting impacts on Area B, including, without limitation, the actions listed in my [COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency](#), issued March 18, 2020 and this Order. The COVID-19 Emergency in Area B may be further extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended.

### **Revised Closures and Public Use Limits in the Presidio**

Under the CCSF's [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07b](#), all individuals currently living within the County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. Violation of the CCSF's order to individuals to shelter at their place of residence is a crime. *See*, 18 U.S.C.S. § 13. The CCSF's Order generally prohibits gatherings of individuals with anyone outside of their household or living unit, with limited exceptions for essential activities or essential travel, or to perform work for essential businesses and government agencies.

To protect the health and safety of the Presidio community and to be consistent with the most recent CCSF mandates, I hereby order portions of the Presidio to be closed or subject to public use limits as follows:

- **Presidio Public Use Limits Generally:** All outdoor recreation activities on lands administered by the Presidio Trust within the Presidio shall be restricted to only those recreation activities permitted in the CCSF's [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07b](#). Please consult the CCSF's [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07b](#) for important clarifications and restrictions on permitted recreation activities. Individuals may engage in outdoor recreation activities in the Presidio such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, bicycling, or running. All persons must maintain at least six (6) feet of physical distancing from other individuals while outdoors.
- **Requiring Members of the Public and Workers to Wear Face Coverings Generally:** Members of the public and workers in the Presidio shall be required to wear face coverings consistent with the CCSF's [Face Coverings Order No. C19-12](#). Please consult the CCSF's [Face Coverings Order No. C19-12](#) for important clarifications and restrictions. Wearing a face covering is not required while engaging in outdoor recreation

such as walking, hiking, bicycling, or running, but each person engaged in such activity must maintain at least six (6) feet of physical distancing from other individuals while outdoors with whom they are not living. For clarification, this Order does not require any person to wear a face covering while in the home or place of residence, a personal office workplace, or while driving alone or exclusively with other members of the same family or household in a motor vehicle. This Order also does not require any child aged twelve years or less to wear a face covering, and any child aged two years or less must not wear a face covering.

- Presidio Golf Course Public Use Limits: The Presidio Golf Course shall be closed to all permitted and unpermitted golf use and play. The general public may access the golf course, including the Park Trail and the Mountain Lake Trail which traverse the course, for outdoor recreation activities permitted in the CCSF's Order, provided that the activities do not cause injury or damage to the golf course's resources or assets, do not threaten the safety of any people or the golf course's resources or assets, and otherwise comply with all other applicable law.
- Closures of Playgrounds, Ball Fields, Tennis Courts, and Picnic Areas: All playgrounds, ball fields, tennis courts, and picnic areas on lands administered by the Presidio Trust within the Presidio shall be closed to all public access and use.
- Closures of Roads and Parking Lots: As of the date of this Order, the following roads and/or parking lots remain closed to all vehicles to aid in the maintenance of physical distancing requirements and restrict access to closed areas, such as beaches in Area A closed by the National Park Service:
  - i) all vehicle access and use on Bowley Street and Gibson Road (at Baker Beach), except to permit Muni buses and residents of 1781 Gibson Road;
  - ii) certain parking lots on Mason Street, including Stilwell Hall parking lot (at 650 Mason Street) and Building 649 parking lot;
  - iii) Fort Scott ball field/Stone Street parking lots (at Lincoln Blvd. and Storey Ave.);
  - iv) CNG Station parking lot (at Lincoln Blvd.), except to permit PresidiGo shuttles;
  - v) all vehicle access and use on Mason Street from the Marina Gate to the Quartermaster Reach (QMR) construction site; and
  - vi) all vehicle access and use on Mason Street west of McDowell Avenue, except for public access to essential businesses.

These closures do not apply to essential Government personnel (including Presidio Trust, National Park Service, United States Park Police, and United States Park Ranger personnel and contractors). Unless otherwise posted, bicycles and pedestrians are exempt from these closures.

## **Weekend Road Closures to Reduce Vehicular Traffic and Create More Open Space**

As part of the Presidio Trust's efforts to provide open space for physical distancing needs and reduce vehicular traffic in the Presidio during the COVID-19 emergency, I authorize a temporary program to close portions of roads to vehicles on weekends.

These road closures are intended to limit vehicular use in the park, limit through traffic in the Presidio, and increase open, shared space for the Presidio and neighboring community to engage in essential exercise during the shelter in place orders. The Presidio Trust is committed to giving the Presidio and neighboring community the necessary space to practice physical distancing during the shelter in place orders.

The road closure program shall begin the weekend of April 25 and 26, 2020 and continue during weekends thereafter while the shelter in place rules are in effect. The road closures shall be 7 a.m. through 4 p.m.

The initial authorized weekend road closures will encompass a roughly 4.5-mile paved loop corridor through the Presidio, comprised of sections of Presidio Blvd., Moraga Ave., Montgomery St., Lincoln Blvd., Park Blvd. and West Pacific Ave. The public will be permitted to engage in permitted outdoor recreational activities, including walking, hiking, bicycling, or running, on the closed sections of roadways. Trust staff will monitor corridor use as well as visitor compliance with physical distancing to evaluate the effectiveness of these closures.

The road closures will not restrict emergency vehicle access, limit public transit, or prevent residents or essential businesses from accessing their premises. The road closures shall not encourage gatherings of unrelated people along the corridor. Nearby parking areas may be temporarily closed as needed to minimize congestion and discourage people from driving to the park.

The Presidio community will be notified of these weekend roadway closures with posted signage, advance messaging, and information on the Trust's website. Roadway signage, traffic cones and barriers will be installed to alert Presidio users of the closures.

During and following the initial weekend of road closures, Trust staff will evaluate the effectiveness of these closures. Based on that assessment, I may make adjustments to sections of roadways that are closed, adjust the time or duration of closures, or terminate the program, as deemed necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

## **Notice of Essential Government Functions and Essential Infrastructure**

The Presidio Trust continues to operate during the COVID-19 public health emergency and takes pride in continuing services needed to ensure operations of the Presidio and provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. I will continue to designate essential government functions, including public works projects, and essential infrastructure projects on lands administered by the Presidio Trust on a case-by-case basis.

This Order will remain in effect until further notice, and may be extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended.

Date: April 22, 2020

/s/ Jean S. Fraser

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Jean S. Fraser  
Chief Executive Officer  
Presidio Trust

*Authorities: 16 U.S.C. § 460bb appendix; 36 CFR § 1001.5; [Board Resolution 04-14, Delegation of Emergency Powers to Executive Director](#); 36 CFR § 1001.3; 18 U.S.C.S. § 13 (Cal. Health and Safety Code § 120295, et seq.; Cal. Penal Code §§ 69, 148(a)(1); San Francisco Admin. Code § 7.17(b)); etc. This Order is not intended to adopt or otherwise apply the CCSF's [Face Coverings Order No. C19-12](#), the CCSF's [Shelter in Place Order No. C19-07b](#), the State of California's [Stay At Home Order](#), or California state or local laws on lands administered by the Presidio Trust within the Presidio, except as expressly set forth herein or as assimilated through other applicable law.*