

## WEST PACIFIC GROVE REFORESTATION – Phase 10



In February, we'll launch the next phase of our project to improve the health and safety of the Presidio's forest along West Pacific Avenue east of Julius Kahn playground. Due to age and Armillaria root rot, trees here are rapidly declining. We began replacing dying trees with young cypress in 2003. To date, approximately 900 trees have been planted over the course of nine phases.

### **Next Phase Begins February 4**

Beginning on February 4, we'll remove 63 declining Monterey cypress trees over the course of approximately four weeks. Work hours will be weekdays 8 am to 5 pm.

The section of the Mountain Lake Trail that runs through the site will be closed during work hours but will remain open during evenings and weekends. Please see map on reverse side for the work area, trail closure and alternative routes.

### **Replanting in Winter 2019**

In winter 2019, we'll replant the area with 200 McNab cypress and Sargent's cypress, which grow lower than the existing Monterey cypress. We'll also plant toyon, manzanita, coyote bush, and ceanothus in the understory.



### About Reforestation in the Presidio

Revitalization of the Presidio forest, planted by the U.S. Army beginning in the 1880s, began in 2003. Since that time, 40 acres all around the park have been restored with 5,000 young trees.

Reforestation has contributed to an uptick in bird diversity in the Presidio, a clear indication of a sustainable ecosystem. Dying trees also often get a second life in the park, repurposed as benches, fencing, and even artworks like Andy Goldsworthy's *Spire*, *Wood Line*, and *Tree Fall*, viewed by thousands of Presidio visitors each year.

We invite the public to get involved by participating in our volunteer tree care program. Should you have any questions about our reforestation work, please contact us at [presidio@presidiotrust.gov](mailto:presidio@presidiotrust.gov).

### Contact Us

Thank you for your patience and support of the Presidio. Should you have questions about this reforestation project, please contact Clay Harrell, Presidio Trust Communications, at (415) 561-5331 or [charrell@presidiotrust.gov](mailto:charrell@presidiotrust.gov).