

Peninsula Dog PAC Questionnaire

1. Do you have a dog? If so, where are your favorite places to walk your dog?

Yes, we have a labradoodle, Percy. We love to walk her through the neighborhood - a great way to connect with the community in our busy lives, up to Sharon Hills park and on weekends when time permits we enjoy walks up Windy Hill and to Poplar Beach in Half Moon Bay. We walk him off leash wherever it is permitted.

2. Would you carry legislation that would allow people and their dogs on-leash access to California State Parks beyond the parking lot?

Yes. I want to be a leader in Sacramento for dog owner's legislative priorities. Of course conscientiousness on the part of dog owners with respect to waste, wildlife and other visitors will be a critical element here, but dogs should have access to portions of all or most state parks.

3. Are you supportive of off-leash walking opportunities in Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) and retaining the current off-leash dog walking at Fort Funston?

Yes, my dog loves being off leash and I love being in GGNRA. I would certainly be supportive of allowing dogs off leash access to certain sections of the park. Again, we do have to balance our interests as dog owners with reasonable time, place and manner restrictions for off leash walking, but I would be a reliable advocate for expanding access.

4. Are you supportive of on leash dog walking and some off-leash dog walking opportunities in County parks? (FYI: Currently San Mateo County allows 8% on-leash and 0% of its parks off-leash dog access; Santa Clara County allows 79% on-leash and under 10% off-leash dog access; Mid-Peninsula Open Space allows 26% on leash and under 8% off leash)

Absolutely.

5. Is there anything else you would like people to know about your position on recreational dog walking access?

It's great for people and their dogs to connect with nature and each other. We are lucky enough to live in one of the most beautiful places in the world and I support finding ways for dogs and dog owners to have access to these areas on a more equitable basis. I will always consider all sides of a specific issue but I am predisposed to being highly supportive of increasing off leash and on leash access for dogs in public places, my door will always be open to my fellow dog owner, and I plan to include dog advocates in my circle of informal advisors.

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Printed Name

Signature

Date

Thank you for answering these questions. We plan on putting your answers on our website to make it easy for your constituents to view your positions.