



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Point Reyes National Seashore
Point Reyes, California 94956

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Determination of Temporary Closure

36 CFR 1.5 Closures and Public Use Limits

- (a) Consistent with applicable legislation and Federal administrative policies, and based upon a determination that such action is necessary for the maintenance of public health and safety, protection of environmental or scenic values, protection of natural or cultural resources, aid to scientific research, implementation of management responsibilities, equitable allocation and use of facilities, or the avoidance of conflict among visitor use activities, the Superintendent may:
- (1) Establish, for all or a portion of a park area, a reasonable schedule of visiting hours, impose public use limits, or close all or a portion of a park area to all public use or to a specific use activity

1. Temporary Closure Location:

The entirety of the Drakes Estero access road (beginning at the junction of Sir Francis Drake Boulevard) including the public parking area near the information kiosk and the waters and tide and submerged lands from mean high tide seaward within Drakes and Limantour Esteros

2. Duration of Temporary Closure:

Drakes Estero access road, parking area, and the waters and tide and submerged lands from mean high tide seaward within Drakes and Limantour Esteros will be closed from sunrise to sunset, Monday through Friday of every week, beginning Wednesday, August 10, 2016 through Tuesday, February 28, 2017. Unforeseen conditions may necessitate closure of the same location on weekends and/or holidays

3. Who is affected by the Temporary Closure?

Except in an emergency and for the duration of the closure to the above listed area, all public entry and use shall be prohibited

4. Justification for Temporary Closure:

This closure is necessary to ensure public safety during Drakes Estero restoration operations

5. Additional Justification/Details for Temporary Closure:

This temporary closure is necessary to ensure public safety during the operation of heavy equipment associated with the restoration of Drakes Estero. Multiple pieces of heavy equipment including large transport vehicles will be in operation both on the access road and in the parking area. Large marine barges with heavy equipment will be in operation on the waters. Large scale debris removal will occur both on the waters and land. Tide, weather, and equipment operations necessitate both the waters of Drakes Estero and the access road and parking area remain closed during work hours to ensure public safety


Superintendent, Point Reyes National Seashore

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