DEMOLITION OF CONCRETE BENCHES NEAR TOWER RESIDENCES

Beginning the Week of November 24

On Monday, November 24, crews are expected to begin demolition and removal of the raised concrete bench/barbeque area along Girard Road near the Tower Residences. Crews will also begin removal of the retaining wall and stairway next to the dirt parking area north of Edie Road. This work is expected to last up to two weeks and will pause after Wednesday, November 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday, resuming on Monday, December 1.

Work activities will include jackhammering and will be noisy. Work is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. A fence will be installed around the work area for safety beginning Friday, November 21, and there will be periodic closures of the walkway and pedestrian detours. Please follow directions from signage and flaggers. Thank you for your patience during construction.

This work is part of initial site clearing for the Girard Road widening. Please see the Girard Road Widening Construction Update for additional information about upcoming work in this area.
ABOUT THE DOYLE DRIVE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The replacement of Doyle Drive with the Presidio Parkway is a collaborative effort led by the California Department of Transportation, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority and the Federal Highway Administration.

Doyle Drive was structurally and seismically deficient at the start of construction and is being replaced. The Presidio Parkway is based on a world-class design that will improve the seismic, structural and traffic safety of the roadway, and will complement its setting in a National Park.

CONSTRUCTION OVERVIEW

Construction of the Doyle Drive replacement, the Presidio Parkway, began in December 2009, more than a year ahead of schedule, due to $122 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Major construction of the new roadway is planned in two major phases in order to keep traffic flowing during the replacement. Seismic safety was achieved in April 2012 after the completion of the first phase when traffic was transferred onto a temporary bypass.

Traffic will be shifted to the final roadway in late 2015, followed by an extensive landscaping program to conclude the second phase of construction. An ongoing series of advisories will update the public on what to expect as work progresses.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW DESIGN INCLUDE:

• A parkway with two sets of short tunnels, a wide landscaped median, traffic calming transitions to city streets and the inclusion of safety shoulders

• A spectacular regional gateway that respects the natural contours of the surrounding area and complements the unique environment of San Francisco and the Presidio, a national park

• New direct access to the Presidio and enhanced views

• A more centralized location for transit connections

• Enhanced pedestrian connections within the Presidio to the Main Post, Crissy Marsh, the National Cemetery and historic batteries

• Reduced light and noise intrusion at Crissy Field