

## **Brenda Bennett**

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**From:** Leslie Young <youngl888@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 06, 2016 8:13 AM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Please support opening the Watershed

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Thank you for your consideration in this important matter!

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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 23, 2016 9:21 AM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; commissioners@sflower.org  
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**From:** Meredith Hystad <meredith.hystad@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 08, 2016 10:02 AM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org;  
John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org;  
Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole  
Groom; Marlene Finley  
**Subject:** Please protect the watershed

There are already many trails in the area for the public to enjoy, and docent led tours of the watershed.  
Don't open this pristine area to threats of pollution, fire, litter, and endangering wildlife and water quality.

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**From:** Ramona Raybin <ramonaraybin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 07, 2016 5:07 PM  
**To:** PARKS\_Commission  
**Subject:** Crystal Springs

Please add my voice to those **OPPOSED** to opening the Watershed to hikers. This is ridiculous. There are plenty of trails in San Mateo County. There is no need to expose the watershed to the inevitable pollution that will occur if the public is allowed free access.

***Ramona Raybin***  
650-477-2550  
707-478-7778 - cell

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**From:** Meredith Hystad <meredith.hystad@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 07, 2016 12:29 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole Groom; Marlene Finley  
**Subject:** Protect our Water Shed

Please don't open this pristine area to trash, erosion, threat of fire.  
Please protect our wildlife.  
Please protect our water.  
Please protect the water shed.

There is no way to guarantee "responsible" behavior of those who would enter the area without oversight.  
99% of wild fires are caused by human carelessness.  
Illegal pot growers would love a new forest to pollute.

THE PUBLIC CAN ALREADY VISIT BY SIGNING UP FOR DOCENT LED TOURS.

PLEASE PROTECT THIS PRECIOUS WILDERNESS.

Meredith Hystad



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**From:** Lyn Haithcox <lynhiho@att.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 07, 2016 4:55 PM  
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Thank you for your public service.

Marilyn Haithcox  
1486 Ascension Drive  
San Mateo, CA 94402

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**From:** Doug M. <dougmann35@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 07, 2016 10:04 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.or; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Watershed Usage

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Doug Mann  
San Jose

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**From:** Siddhartha Jain <sjain@sjain.me>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 06, 2016 11:48 AM  
**To:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; Connie.Chan@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Jane.Kim@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.org; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
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- Siddhartha Jain  
950 Glenview Dr  
San Bruno CA 94066

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**From:** Lennie Roberts <lennie@darwin.ptvy.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 05, 2016 11:14 AM  
**To:** Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Warren Slocum  
**Cc:** Marico Enriquez; mpcooney61@comcast.net; Kevin Huo; medaokelo@sbcglobal.net; Brenda Bennett; Marlene Finley; Barbara Bonilla; Neil Merrilees  
**Subject:** Public Access to Peninsula Watershed  
**Attachments:** CGF SF Land Use Comm 9-12-16.pdf; ATT00001.txt

Dear Supervisors,

Attached is my letter on behalf of Committee for Green Foothills to the SF Board of Supervisors Land Use Committee regarding increased public access to the Peninsula watershed lands.

This item was originally scheduled to be heard by the SF BOS Land Use and Transportation Committee in March, but was postponed. It is now scheduled for September 12.

I hope you will agree with CGF as well as two Chapters of Sierra Club, three Chapters of Audubon, and two Chapters of the California Native Plant Society, that protection of our water quality and the special habitats in the Watershed is paramount, and rather than allowing unrestricted public access to the sensitive areas west of Crystal Springs Lakes, the existing docent program that provides access three days a week on Fifield Cahill Ridge should be improved and expanded.

Thanks very much for considering our views.

Lennie Roberts

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**From:** Kuni Kara <kunikara@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 05, 2016 4:27 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
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**Subject:** Access to the San Francisco watershed

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I'm writing to let you know of my strong opposition to the opening of the SF watershed to the public. As a third generation Californian I would hate to see that pristine area opened to the public. The creating of trails, our further encroachment of wildlife habitat, the trampling of vegetation, and of course the garbage left behind by the "responsible" citizens coming out to enjoy our treasure. That land is our legacy to future generations and should be preserved and protected. I sincerely hope you reconsider the idea of opening the watershed to the public.

Virginia Prevost  
San Mateo CA

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**From:** Janice Rensch <jrensch2001@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 04, 2016 6:12 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
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Thank you for your public service and thank you in advance for your support!

Carla Sylvestri  
San Mateo/San Francisco native  
46 years

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** tim.hu@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 01, 2016 5:53 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole Groom; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
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Timothy Hu

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** jondeluna5@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 01, 2016 6:55 AM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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Thank you for your consideration in this important matter!

Best regards,  
Jonathan DeLuna

Sent from my iPhone



## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** David Haimes <davidhaimes@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 01, 2016 6:04 AM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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David Haimes

<http://twitter.com/@dhaimes>

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**From:** Steven Maiolini <smaiolini@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 12:33 PM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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Sent from my iPad

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** rainboots@gmail.com on behalf of Yamade Family <styamade@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 2:34 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole Groom; Marlene Finley  
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Shin & Tomoko Yamade

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Scott Symon <scott.symon@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 2:02 PM  
**To:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.or; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Resolution 160183: Expanded Public Access to the San Francisco's Peninsula Watershed

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Please support of Resolution 160183 and for SFPUC to work cooperatively with San Mateo County to improve access to the watershed.

Thank you for your public service.

Scott Symon

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Sam Woodward <woodyfam@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 10:13 AM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Please support opening the Watershed

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Sent from my iPhone

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** ryan.nichols@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 8:48 PM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Please support opening the Watershed

Hello -

Ryan nichols here, 2 year resident of San Francisco and 10 year resident is San Mateo. I'm writing in support of opening the SF Watershed, specifically Crystal Springs.

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## **Brenda Bennett**

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**From:** Riaz Rahim <riazrahim@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 11:28 PM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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## **Brenda Bennett**

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**From:** Jordan Kestler <jordankestler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 9:56 AM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Jamie Fox <eejfox2015@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 12:11 AM  
**To:** INFO@janekim.org; Jane.Kim@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott Wiener; commissioners@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.org; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** SF Watershed - Qualifications

Dear, Jane Kim, (and other respected public representatives),

Regarding the Golden Gate Audubon's "[fear-campaign](#)" for the SF watershed, the author Noreen:

"Noreen has a B.A. in International Relations and a M.S. in Telecommunications."

Clearly, she is scientifically qualified with a telecommunications degree to stop 7 million people from accessing their nearby nature. <http://goldengateaudubon.org/about-us/about-our-staff/>

I am an electrical engineer and activist for open space. Using my mathematical judgement, please consider the following ratios of trails-to-open space in your evaluation:

21,000 acres of publicly owned land is closed to the public.

40 miles of existing trails, 8 feet wide, equals, 36 acres.

So, at most, we are talking about opening up only 1/500th of the SF Watershed, on existing trails! That is only 1/5th of 1% of the land! This should be a no brainer. Same has been done in Marin and other areas.

The Sierra Club recently stated in their monthly magazine, "we are making it as easy as possible for people to access our public lands". (Director Michael Brune).

PS. I'm the leader of the [Alhambra Hills Open Space Committee](#) in Martinez, we are working with the city of Martinez to save 295 ridgeline acres that once belonged exclusively to John Muir, and is now owned by a Texas developer with overseas financing. We are working with the folks who saved Roddy Ranch in Antioch, which sold to East Bay parks for \$15 million dollars for 600 acres. Using this math, the value of the SF Watershed land for public access and preservation is \$25,000 per acre, placing the value of the SF watershed's 21,000 acres at \$525 million dollars, and if you multiply for the cost of living in the peninsula, you are talking about keeping a multi billion dollar resource, owned by the public, out of use.

Anyone stating that hikers and bikers destroy wildlife is out of their minds (in my opinion). If this was true, we would close our National Parks.

It's developers that destroy the land, not hikers! Not a single species has ever gone extinct from hikers and bikers.

How would we fight fires, if they started on a fire road?? :) :)

If fire is a concern, then close access in the hot months, follow the science, but don't throw the baby out with the bathwater.

The bottom line is that people grumble with change. The Transamerica building in downtown SF was the most controversial design ever. Now it is loved by all. Please have the foresight to do the right thing.

Please, for a billion dollar asset, you must consider science, not opinions of Telecommunications Masters degrees. Please provide a complete study from an unbiased 3rd party, evaluating the opening of SF watershed existing trails. I for one, only find true appreciation in nature when hiking alone near sunset, and for me, that made all the difference.

Sincerely,

Jamie Fox

Alhambra Hills Open Space Committee - Leader

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**From:** Inge Jechart <i.jechart@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 9:38 PM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
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**From:** Eddie Corwin <eddiecorwin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 9:50 AM  
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**From:** Ed Stubbins <estubbins@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 10:05 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole Groom; Marlene Finley  
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Ed Stubbins  
Resident

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Dennisgilchrist <dennisgilchrist@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 12:20 PM  
**To:** commissioners@sfwater.org; PARKS\_Commission; Adrienne Tissier; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Please support opening the Watershed

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2016 8:49 AM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org  
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-The "trails" in this space are actually existing dirt roads, which are currently used on a daily basis by SFPUC trucks. These roads could easily be designated as a trail system, similar to the Marin County and Santa Clara County Watersheds.

- Other local public spaces allow reasonable and appropriate public access without the negative impacts opponents of SFPUC Watershed access advocate. I draw your attention to the the watershed agencies listed above, and the Midpeninsula Open Space District as successful examples.

- Finally, the current method of public access is extremely limited and unfair to the public. The number of spots available to reserve in advance only, for the few docent led tours that are held - are extremely limited. Typically, there are only a handful of reserveable hiking spots available once a week, and the hikes are only at 9 or 9:30 the morning.

Please pass Resolution 160183 and work cooperatively with other agencies such as the SFPUC, San Mateo County and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area to achieve access reform for this important public land.

Thank you for your public service.

Christopher Brousseau  
San Mateo, CA

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Steve Rodrigues <steve@skypuppy.us>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 30, 2016 9:48 AM  
**To:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfwater.org  
**Cc:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.or; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** SFPUC Peninsula Watershed - Resolution 160183

Dear Supervisors, et all,

I'm writing in support of Resolution 160183.

The SFPUC Peninsula watershed lands are a fantastic natural treasure and should not be locked away from responsible public access. Opening the watershed would have a cumulative effect by joining with other public lands, making this a valuable addition for those who enjoy nature. It would be easy to convert the existing dirt roads to a trail system, and cannot find any reason not to do so.

On behalf of my family and neighbors, I respectfully request that you support Resolution 160183 and ask for the SFPUC to work cooperatively with San Mateo County to improve access to the watershed.

Thank you for your service!

Best regards,

Steve Rodrigues  
Brisbane, CA 94005

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Jean-Nicolas Vollmer <jnvollmer@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 29, 2016 9:28 PM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.org; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** SFPUC watershed

Dear Supervisors Cohen, Peskin and Wiener:

Please include this email as part of the public record.

I would like to express my support for improved public access to the San Francisco Public Utility Commission's Peninsula Watershed. This issue is very important to me and my family. The public has been closed off from the Watershed's scenic, historical and recreational experiences for too long. Please do what you can to help achieve access reform.

I support the resolution (SFBOS file # 160183) to allow responsible access to the SFPUC watershed lands over existing service road such as Fifield-Cahill Ridge, Pilarcitos Road, Whiting Ridge, Old Cañada, and to historical sites for the following reasons:

-Access to the watershed's existing dirt roads would allow hikers, cyclists and equestrians to visit the area's largest and most scenic unused, publicly held open space, integrating National, State and County parklands across the San Francisco Peninsula.

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Please support of Resolution 160183 and for SFPUC to work cooperatively with San Mateo County to improve access to the watershed.

Thank you for your public service.

Jean-Nicolas Vollmer  
San Francisco resident

## Brenda Bennett

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**From:** Mark Shihadeh <markwshihadeh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 28, 2016 10:02 AM  
**To:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; alisa.somera@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; ATissier@smcgov.org; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** San Francisco's Peninsula Watershed

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Thank you for your public service.

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## **Brenda Bennett**

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**From:** cketner@me.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 27, 2016 11:51 AM  
**To:** alisa.somera@sfgov.org; commissioners@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org; Breedstaff@sfgov.org; David.Campos@sfgov.org; Eric.L.Mar@sfgov.org; John.Avalos@sfgov.org; Katy.Tang@sfgov.org; Malia.Cohen@sfgov.org; Mark.Farrell@sfgov.org; mayoredwinlee@sfgov.org; Norman.Yee@sfgov.org; Scott.Wiener@sfgov.org; PARKS\_Commission; Carole Groom; Don Horsley; Dave Pine; Marlene Finley; Warren Slocum  
**Subject:** Increased Public Access to the Peninsula Watershed

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Thank you for your public service.

Chris W. Ketner  
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