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New Parking Spaces Make it Easier for Disabled Beachgoers to Enjoy Fiesta Island

UPGRADED ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES NOW AVAILABLE AT MISSION BAY'S OFF-LEASH DOG PARK

SAN DIEGO – Access to the off-leash dog area for beachgoers with disabilities is now easier with the installation of two new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant parking spaces on Fiesta Island at Mission Bay Park. The major makeover is a public accommodation improvement provided by the City of San Diego to connect dog owners with disabilities to the popular and nationally-recognized, off-leash dog area.

The new Fiesta Island ADA parking area involved the installation of one regular ADA spot, one van accessible spot and a striped walkway. The construction work consisted of grading, painting, striping and installation of new signage.

“Fiesta Island is an extremely popular place for dog owners to exercise their pets and service dogs, and it’s projects like this that ensure San Diego beaches and bays are accessible to everyone,” said **Thyme Curtis, Executive Director of the City’s Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility.** **“The improvements make it easier and safer for everyone who uses these parking spaces to access the walking trails, beach and waters of Mission Bay.”**

The Office of ADA Compliance and Accessibility was established in 1991 per the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The mission is to ensure that every facility, activity, benefit, program and service operated or funded by the City is fully accessible to, and useable by, people with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as other federal, state and local access codes and disability rights laws. For more information, visit www.sandiego.gov/adacompliance.