McGrath State Beach is one of the best bird-watching areas in California, with the lush riverbanks of the Santa Clara River and sand dunes along the shore. A nature trail leads to the Santa Clara Estuary Natural Preserve. Two miles of beach provide surfing and fishing opportunities. However, swimmers are urged to use caution because of strong currents and riptides. The park offers campsites by the beach.

**PARK FEES** are due and payable upon entry into the park. Use the self-registration system if the entrance station is closed. The campsite fee covers one vehicle. There are additional fees for extra vehicles.

**OCCUPANCY:** Each campsite may have up to eight people (including children).

**VEHICLE PARKING:** Vehicles may only be parked in your assigned campsite. They must remain on the pavement and must not extend into the roadway beyond the campsite number or limit line. Three vehicles maximum are allowed per campsite.

**CHECK-OUT TIME** is noon. Please vacate your site by that time. Check-in is 2 p.m.

**RE-REGISTRATION:** Campers without reservations who wish to re-register for another night must contact the entrance station before 9 a.m. on the morning they are due out. Site availability is not assured.

**SPEED LIMIT:** The maximum speed limit is 15 mph. When pedestrians, bicyclists and children are present, even 15 mph might be too fast. Use good judgment.

**QUIET HOURS** are from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. To ensure an enjoyable experience for everyone, please do not disturb other campers, regardless of the time of day or night.

**GENERATORS** may be operated only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

**DOGS** must be kept on a leash no longer than six feet and under control at all times. They are not permitted in buildings or on the beach (except for service dogs). Dogs must be confined to a vehicle or tent at night.

**FIRES AND FIREWOOD:** Please be cautious when building fires. Fires are allowed only in established fire rings or camp stoves, and are not permitted on the beach. Do not build ground fires outside the fire rings or leave campfires unattended. Do not gather firewood in the park—the nutrients must be allowed to recycle back into the ecosystem. You may purchase firewood from the camp hosts.

**BICYCLES** are allowed only on roadways.

**NOISE:** Radios and other sound-producing devices must not be audible beyond your immediate campsite, regardless of the time of day or night.

**GAMES** that are disruptive to other campers or the environment are strictly prohibited.

**THEFT WARNING:** Keep your vehicles locked and your valuables out of sight. Do not leave property out at night. Report suspicious activity to a ranger or camp host.

**ENTRANCE GATE** closes at 10 p.m. Sanitation station closes at sunset.

**GROUP CAMPSITES** are available year round by reservation. Please call (805) 648-3918.

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