

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



WHY PROVIDE ACCESS?

Approximately 20% of the population has a disability

Major increase in the aging “baby-boomer population

Avoid costly institutionalization

Provide equal opportunity to participate in the community

Benefits all users – children, adults, seniors and people with both temporary and permanent disabilities, mothers and fathers using strollers, even delivery personnel

**AND BECAUSE IT’S A CIVIL RIGHT
AND THE LAW!**

Accessibility Requirements Under California Building Code, Title 24 And Regulations

- New buildings and facilities – *must be completely accessible*
- Altered (remodeled) buildings...
 - Access within the area of alteration, structural repair or addition.
 - Path of travel to altered area including: accessible parking, path-of-travel, restrooms, drinking fountains and telephones that serve the area of alteration.

Accessibility Requirements Under the AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

- New facilities in compliance with the ADAAG Standards.
- Alterations to areas containing a “*primary function*”, making “goods and services” accessible to the public
- “Path of Travel” items...
 - Entrances
 - Restrooms
 - Sales Counters
 - Exterior facilities – parks, boat harbors, etc.

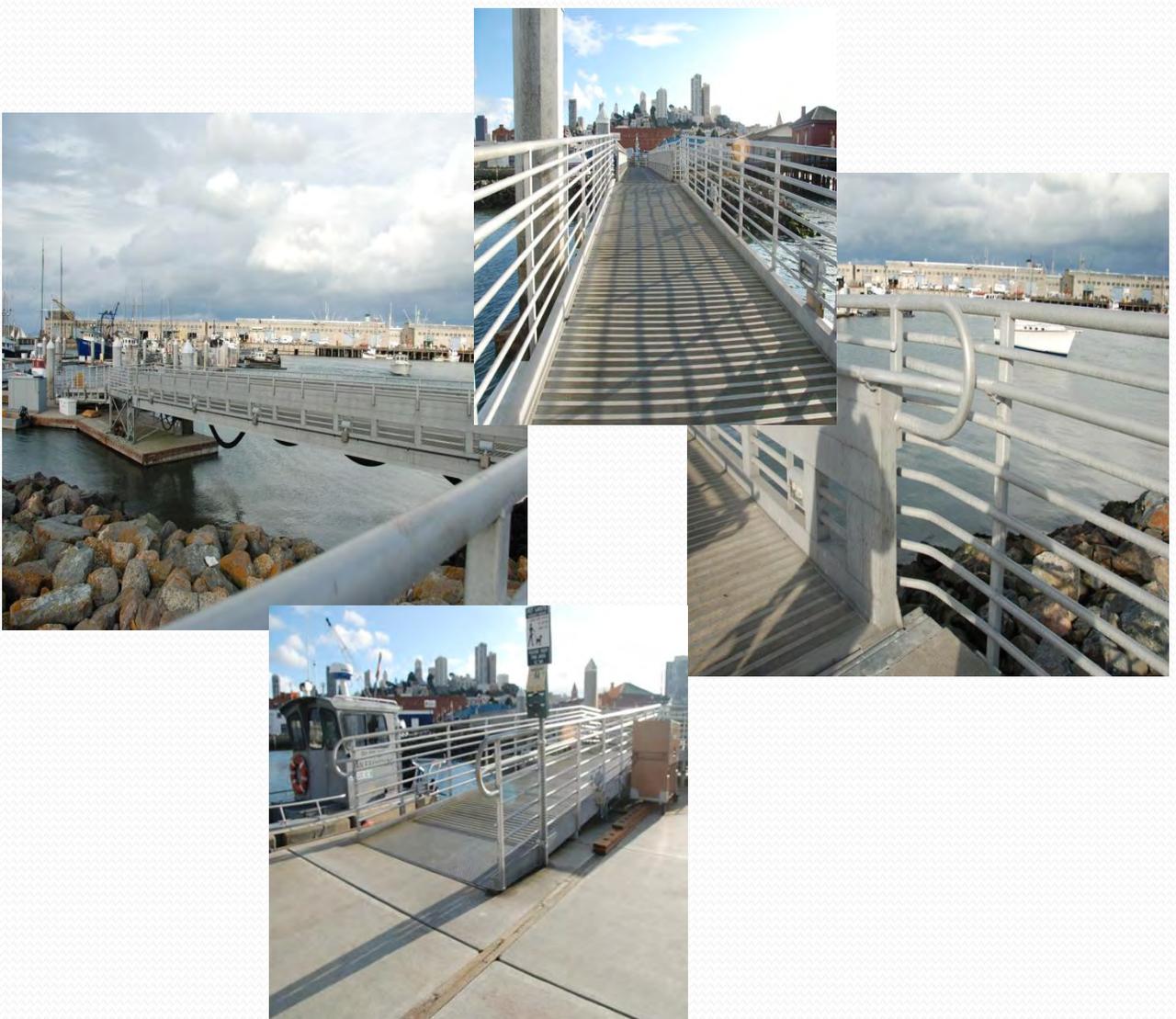
Drinking Fountains, Telephones, Etc.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT TITLE II “PROGRAM” ACCESSIBILITY

A Title II government (public) agency may not refuse to allow a person with a disability to participate in a service, program, or activity simply because the person has a disability. For example, a city may not refuse to allow a person with epilepsy to use parks and recreational facilities.

Public entities must provide programs and services in an integrated setting, unless separate or different measures are necessary to ensure equal opportunity.

Hyde Street Pier An Accessible Facility



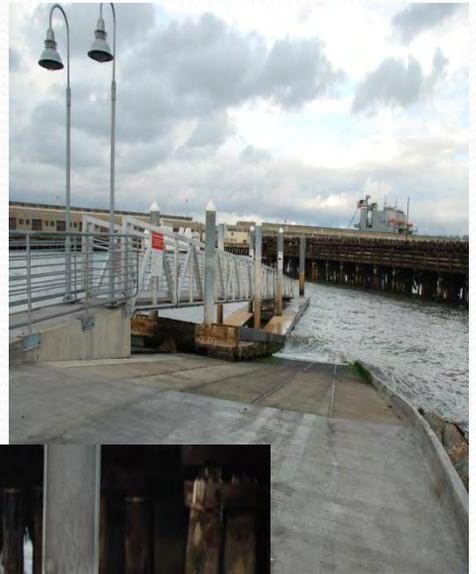
PIER 52 BOAT LAUNCH



ACCESSIBLE SIGNAGE?



PIER 52 BOAT RAMP AND GANGWAY DO THESE FACILITIES AND THE YACHT CLUB NEXT DOOR PROVIDE PUBLIC ACCESS?

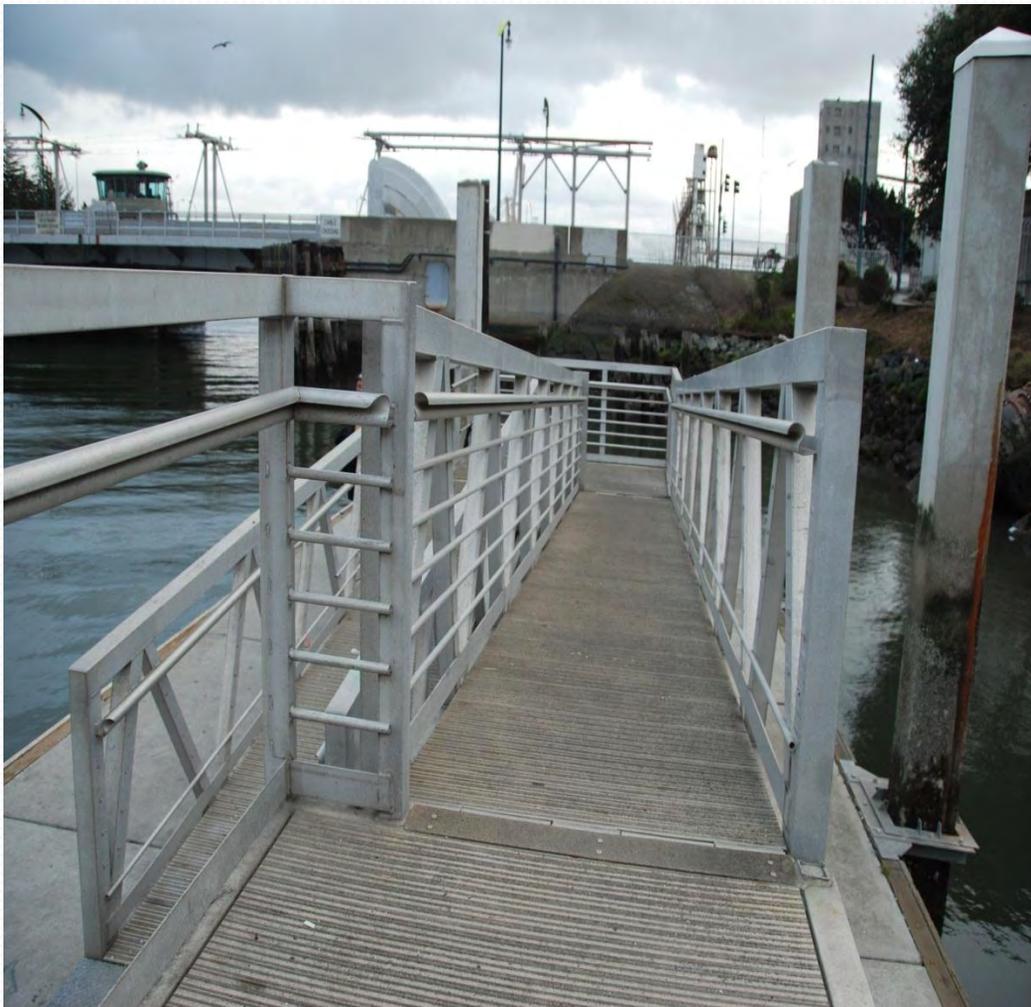


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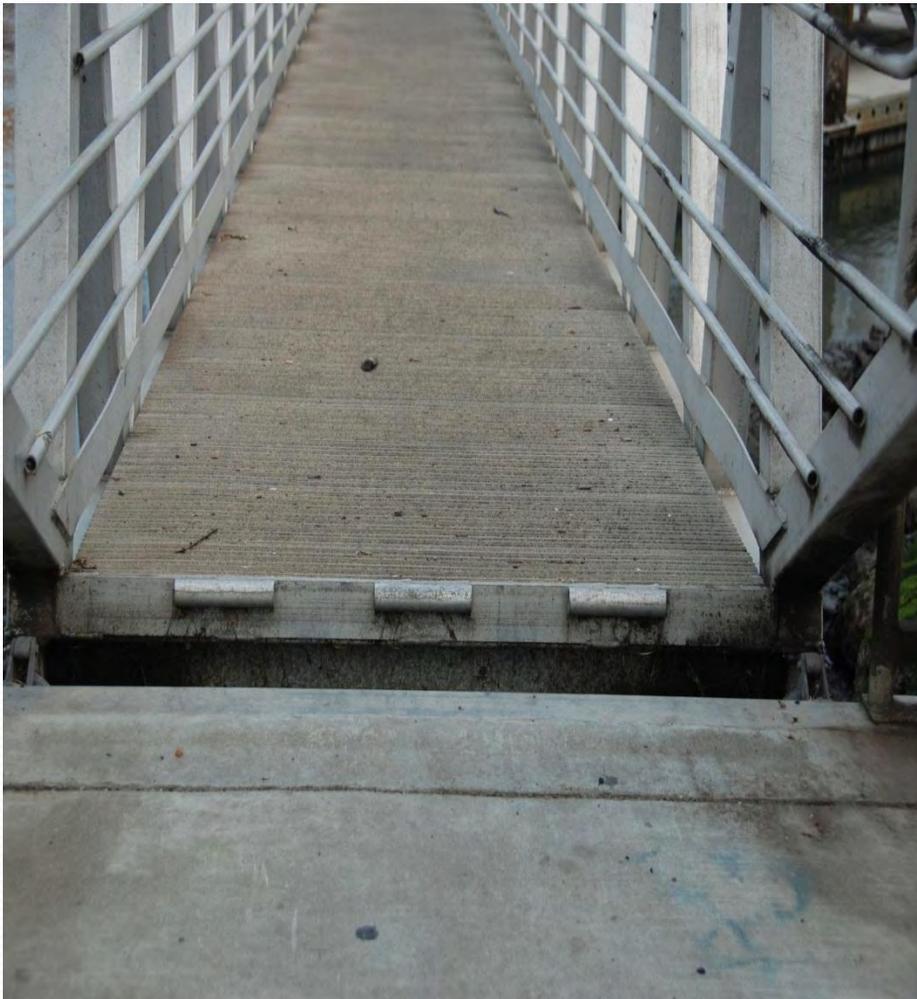
ACCESSIBLE GANGWAY

DO GANGWAY FEATURES (handrails, guard rails, etc.) MEET STATE AND FEDERAL ACCESS CODES/REGULATIONS?



MAINTENANCE OF ACCESSIBLE FEATURES

Required by State Building Code and
Federal Access Guidelines



SITE FEATURES MUST BE ACCESSIBLE

INACCESSIBLE BENCH AND PATH-OF-TRAVEL TO SITE FEATURES

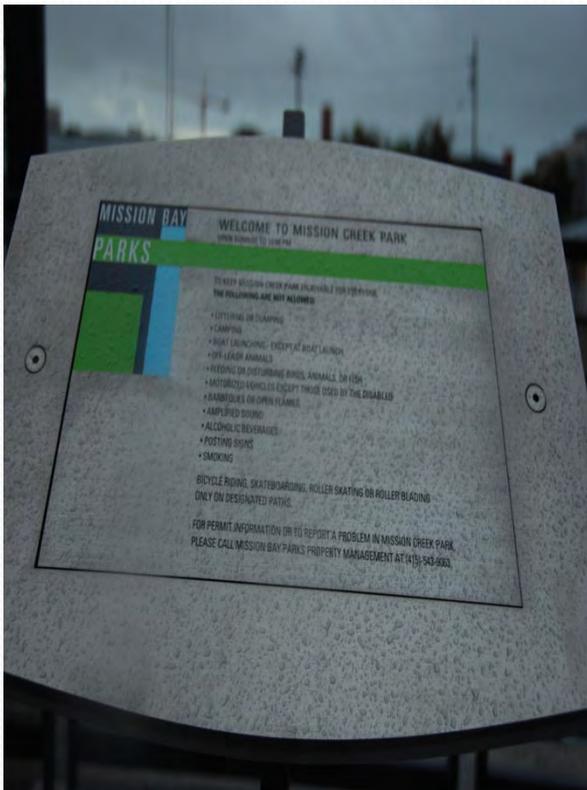


ACCESSIBLE FEATURES PICNIC TABLE WITH NO ACCESSIBLE PATH-OF-TRAVEL TO IT



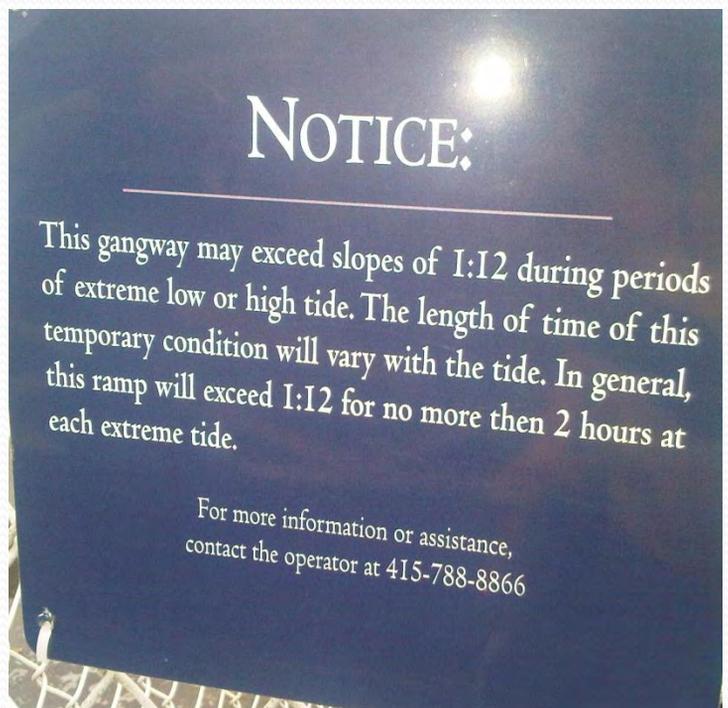
FACILITY INFORMATION SIGNS

Size and Contrast of Lettering – Accessible Alternatives for Blind And Low-Visioned Users Include Tactile Type and Braille or Accessible Alternative



INFORMATION SIGNAGE

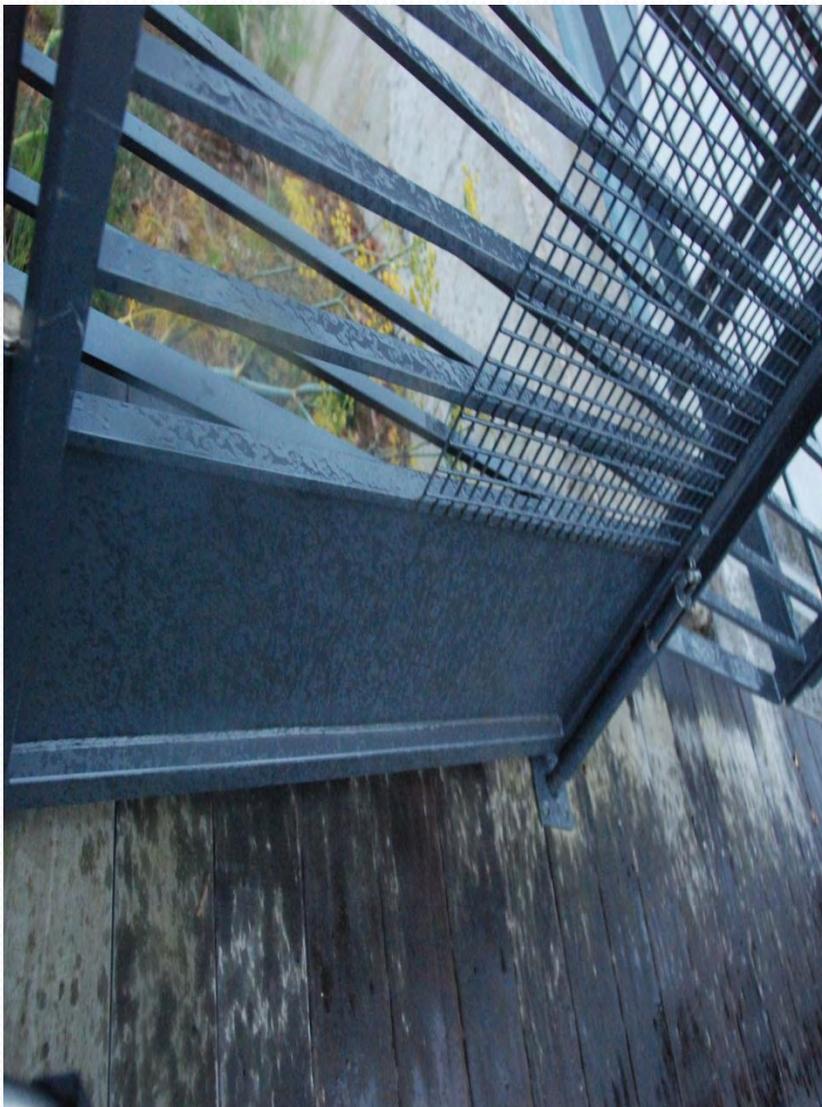
Tidal and Access Information Should Be Included



PIER 1 ACCESS INFORMATION

ACCESSIBLE FEATURES

Must Meet State Access Building Codes and Federal Access Guidelines



AN 80 FOOT GANGWAY Is This Design Accessible?



MARIN COUNTY - CORTE MADERA CREEK MARIN ROWING CLUB AND THE CITY OF LARKSPUR PUBLIC DOCK



SAN FRANCISCO

MARINA YACHT HARBOR AND EMBARCADARO

ACCESSIBLE & INACCESSIBLE PUBLIC FACILITIES

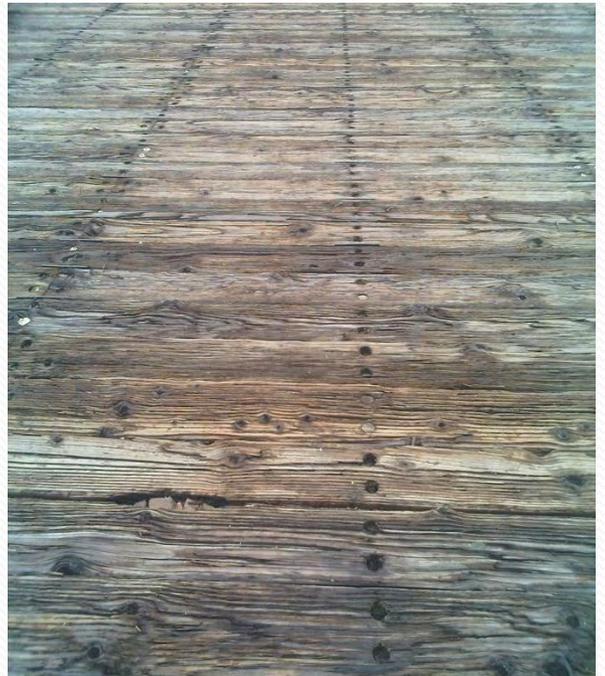


SIGNAGE

DO THESE SIGN SYSTEMS PROVIDE HISTORIC OR OTHER SITE INFORMATION IN AN ACCESSIBLE FORMAT?



SITE ACCESSIBILITY PIER 7 PUBLIC ACCESS OPEN SPACE



INACCESSIBLE SURFACE MATERIAL

Using an Accessible Canoe and Kayak Launch Facility



Suggested BCDC Actions

- Hire new or appoint existing staff as Commission ADA Coordinator w/design and regulatory expertise in state and federal access codes and regulations and provide on-going training
- All project applications to have detailed access plan and site review by ADA Coordinator or consultant
- Each project applicant charged fees to cover cost of special detailed access plan/site reviews
- Review of the McAteer-Petris Act - Possible Legislative modifications/additions – Bring Act into compliance with state and federal access code and regulatory requirements
- Adopt guidelines that will assure the design of accessible boat docks and other BCDC regulated facilities



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