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**National Park Services Announces a No-Burn Season to begin at Ocean Beach
Nov. 1, 2016**

Media Event: National Park Service (NPS), San Francisco Fire Department, and San Francisco Recreation and Parks will teach Pre-School children about fire safety to help spread the word about extinguishing fires, while also announcing the start of a NO-BURN Season at Ocean Beach.

(The SFFD is assisting the National Park Service with this event. This is a National Park Service Project within the NPS jurisdiction)

WHAT: Media event to mark start of No-Burn Season at Ocean Beach

WHO: Kids, staff, and parents from Sunset Co-Op Nursery School
National Park Service
San Francisco Fire Department
San Francisco Recreation & Parks

WHEN: Thursday, Oct. 27, 2016
10:30AM - 11AM

WHERE: Lincoln Avenue Parking Lot at Ocean Beach

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VISUALS: Kids learning fire safety with a fire truck at Ocean Beach and Fire Safety Demonstrations by the San Francisco Fire Department

WHY: November 1 marks the beginning of a No-Burn Season at Ocean Beach in Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Recreational beach fires will not be permitted at Ocean Beach through the end of February.

The No-Burn season is expected to contribute to air quality. The period coincides with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Winter Spare the Air season. The No-Burn season also allows Golden Gate National Recreation Area to remove the fire pits at Ocean Beach and conduct a thorough beach cleaning.

The No-Burn season was created as part of the Ocean Beach Fire Program, which went into effect April 1, 2016 after a period of public review and comment.

The Ocean Beach Fire Program has 12 key elements to achieve a safe, manageable, sustainable program from recreational fires at Ocean Beach. In addition to the No-Burn season, the program includes the addition of four fire pits to the beach (bringing the total to 16 for use during the burn season), as well as a volunteer and outreach program to help spread the word about burning responsibly.

For more information about the Ocean Beach Fire Program, visit recreational fires at Golden Gate National Recreation Area, visit:

<https://www.nps.gov/goga/learn/management/OBfireprogram.htm>

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