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Capitola City Council

Capitola, California

RE: Dog Leash Removal on Capitola Beach Proposal

Dear Capitola City Council,

Simply stated, I believe the existing dog leash law should remain as is ..

You will create such a long list of issues ...

- a) The city will be accepting – by default – the liability of any dog bites or dog fights
  
- b) The increased issue of dog excrement on the beach
  
- c) The concern of parents and/or older people of dogs running freely on the beach
  
- d) When issues arise relating to removing the dog leash requirement, you ( the City ) have defined no procedures or policies to address these situations

Overall, I believe the city will receive a negative response – and lower attendance – at the Capitola beach and village area.

In summary, the leash law we have now works – why mess with it?

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Cahalen