



Frank Dean
President & CEO
Yosemite Conservancy

Frank became president of Yosemite Conservancy in 2015 after nearly six successful years as superintendent of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA). Since then, he has overseen the completion of noteworthy projects to benefit Yosemite National Park, including the Conservancy's successful \$20 million fundraising campaign to restore the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias and the addition of 400-acre Ackerson Meadow, a once privately owned area of vital habitat that was purchased and donated to the park in 2016.

From 2009 to 2015, he directed operations and was instrumental with improving park partnerships at the GGNRA, which is one of the largest national parks in an urban area and includes renowned visitor destinations such as Muir Woods, Alcatraz Island, Marin Headlands and Crissy Field. Frank worked hand-in-hand with the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and the Presidio Trust to conserve and improve the GGNRA.

Among his many accomplishments, Frank fostered an innovative partnership with the Golden Gate Bridge District and the Parks Conservancy to provide modern visitor facilities at the iconic bridge, initiated a new multiple agency and nonprofit partnership to protect the Mt. Tamalpais ecosystem, and established a major capital program to preserve facilities on Alcatraz.

Prior to serving at the GGNRA, Frank was superintendent of Saratoga National Historical Park and assistant superintendent at Point Reyes National Seashore. He was also a park ranger in Yosemite, Sequoia and Grand Canyon national parks.

Frank serves on the boards of the National Park Service Friends Alliance and the Regional Council of the National Parks Conservation Association, and just completed his service as a board member of SPUR in San Francisco. He received the Silver Trowel Partnership Award from Slide Ranch in 2014, and the Courageous Park Superintendent Award in 2015.

Frank earned a bachelor's degree from San Francisco State University in Geography and a Master of Public Administration from the University of San Francisco. He lives in Sonoma County, California with his wife Diane and their two children.

About Yosemite Conservancy

Through the support of donors, Yosemite Conservancy provides grants and support to Yosemite National Park to help preserve and protect Yosemite today and for future generations. The work funded by the Conservancy is visible throughout the park, in trail rehabilitation, wildlife protection and habitat restoration. The Conservancy is also dedicated to enhancing the visitor experience and providing a deeper connection to the park through outdoor programs, volunteering, wilderness services and its bookstores. Thanks to dedicated supporters, the Conservancy has provided \$92 million in grants to Yosemite National Park. Learn more at yosemiteconservancy.org or call 1-800-469-7275.

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