
Letter: Even a great place like this needs attention

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Dear Editor: As a new resident to the north coast, having moved here just under a year ago, I am enchanted with the rugged beauty and the weather. It sure beats the 100-degree days in the Sacramento Valley.

What hurts, though, is going down to any of the wonderful beaches with my dogs and seeing trash everywhere. I was schooled by friends here, right after my arrival, to carry a trash bag and pitch in if I could. I do, and see others doing the same.

Most days, there are just small items here and there. Some days, nothing; and that's reassuring. However, there have been a few where I have seen enough trash for more bags than I had.

Litter anywhere is ugly, but next to nature's paradise it seems worse.

I've also learned to park at Crissey Field and other places not so secluded, as my truck got broken into at the Pelican Beach access just south of the agriculture checkpoint on the border.

That said, this is my new home. I am loving it do not plan on ever leaving.

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