

FORT POINT
(Fort Winfield Scott)
San Francisco, California

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District No. 38

ADDENDUM
FOLLOWS...

Historic American Buildings Survey
Irving F. Morrow, District Officer
1605 DeYoung Building, San Francisco, Cal.

Fort Point (Fort Winfield Scott, Fort Point
National Historic Site)
U.S. Highway 101
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San Francisco County
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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

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STATE California	COUNTY San Francisco	TOWN OR VICINITY San Francisco
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HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Fort Point	HABS NO. CA-1239
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SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE
Fort Point National Historic Site, Fort Winfield Scott

COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)
U.S. Highway 101

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1853-1861	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)
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SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)
Designed to protect the entrance to the San Francisco Bay. Classic example of brick seacoast forts. Abandoned in 1886 when powerful rifled cannons made brick forts obsolete.

STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)

MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)
Brick, granite

SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)
Trapezoid with interior courtyard, 3 stories

EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE
Casemate (fortified enclosure) rooms with brick vaulting, 30 gun rooms to a floor, open gun ports on outer walls, three granite spiral staircases, 1864 lighthouse atop one stairwell.

INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)

MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES
Restored, 1970, as Fort Point National Historic Site.

PRESENT CONDITION AND USE
National Historic Site

OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE
Served as base of construction operation for Golden Gate Bridge, 1933-1937; 100 soldiers garrisoned here during World War II as submarine watch.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)
National Register of Historic Places

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