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# New Presidio Inn slated for 2012

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The Presidio Trust has a new 22-room inn under way in the Presidio with plans to open it in April.

It will occupy Pershing Hall on the Main Post. Pershing Hall was previously a guest house for officers, so in that sense the building is being restored to its original use. The Presidio Trust is investing \$11.4 million in the structure, with much of that going to seismic retrofitting and other engineering work on the historical building.

This will be the first hotel to open in the Presidio, and is also the first new hotel supply of any kind in San Francisco in years.

The Inn at the Presidio, as the property will be known, will be managed by Waterford Hotels and Inns, which also manages Cavallo Point in Sausalito. All but 5 of the 22 rooms are king suites, and nightly rates will range from \$195 to \$350 a night.

The Presidio Trust is pursuing LEED Gold for the hotel.

Previously, Larkspur Hotels had won a bidding process to build a new hotel in the Presidio. Those plans were put on hold indefinitely because of the weak economy, but Larkspur could revive them at a later date, said [Dana Polk](#), a spokeswoman for the Presidio Trust. Larkspur had been eyeing a different location for its property, and the two are not mutually exclusive.

"This little lodge building, we're hoping the popularity of it will show us yes, we do need more rooms in the Presidio and people do want to stay in the park," Polk said. "We've been really wanting to have some lodging here in the park. It's a unique experience, as a national park."

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