



Board of Supervisors Community Services Cluster Agenda Review Meeting

DATE: February 05, 2025

TIME: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

MEETING CHAIR: Anish Saraiya, 5th Supervisorial District

CEO MEETING FACILITATOR: Montessa Duckett and David Korsak

THIS MEETING IS HELD UNDER THE GUIDELINES OF BOARD POLICY 3.055

This meeting is **HYBRID**.

To participate in the meeting in-person, the meeting location is:
Kenneth Hahn Hall Of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012
Room 140

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1 (323) 776-6996 and enter the following 885 291 326# or

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For Spanish Interpretation, the Public should send emails within 48 hours in advance of the meeting to: ClusterAccommodationRequest@bos.lacounty.gov

Members of the Public may address the Community Services Cluster on any agenda item during General Public Comment.

The meeting chair will determine the amount of time allowed for each item.

THIS TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MUTED FOR ALL CALLERS. PLEASE DIAL *6 TO UNMUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN IT IS YOUR TIME TO SPEAK.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INFORMATIONAL ITEM(S):

- A. Board Letter (Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures) for March 25, 2025 Board Agenda:
2025 DEFENSIBLE SPACE CLEARANCE/WEED ABATEMENT
REFEREES' HEARING REPORT

Wednesday, February 05, 2025

3. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

- A. Board Briefing (DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS)
COASTAL RESILIENCY PROJECT UPDATES
Speaker: Warren Ontiveros

4. MOTIONS (None)

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 minutes each speaker)

6. ADJOURNMENT

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO EMAIL A COMMENT ON AN ITEM ON THE COMMUNITY SERVICES CLUSTER AGENDA, PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING EMAIL AND INCLUDE THE AGENDA NUMBER YOU ARE COMMENTING ON:

COMMUNITY_SERVICES@CEO.LACOUNTY.GOV

**BOARD LETTER/MEMO
CLUSTER FACT SHEET**

Board Letter

Board Memo

Other

CLUSTER AGENDA REVIEW DATE	2/5/2025	
BOARD MEETING DATE	3/25/2025	
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AFFECTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All <input type="checkbox"/> 1 st <input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd <input type="checkbox"/> 3 rd <input type="checkbox"/> 4 th <input type="checkbox"/> 5 th	
DEPARTMENT(S)	Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM) and Fire Department (LACOFD)	
SUBJECT	<p>Annual abatement of hazardous vegetation is a critical component of the overall fire prevention infrastructure throughout most of Los Angeles County. The actions which are requested herein of your Board are part of the legal process that is required to carry out this critical public safety function. The importance of these abatement activities is all the more relevant in light of recent devastation wrought by the Eaton and Palisades Fires, and highlights the protections the abatement provides to the lives and properties of residents throughout the county in preventing fuel accumulation and securing defensible space. The abatement of hazardous vegetation is completed by a joint effort between the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM) and the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District).</p>	
PROGRAM	Weed Abatement (Weed Hazard/Pest Management Bureau)	
AUTHORIZES DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO DEPT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain why:	
SB 1439 SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FORM REVIEW COMPLETED BY EXEC OFFICE	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – Not Applicable If unsure whether a matter is subject to the Levine Act, email your packet to EOLevineAct@bos.lacounty.gov to avoid delays in scheduling your Board Letter.	
DEADLINES/ TIME CONSTRAINTS		
COST & FUNDING	Total cost: \$ No NCC	Funding source:
	TERMS (if applicable):	

	<p>Explanation:</p> <p>ACWM will recover its expenses for abatement costs, including clerical functions such as mailings, boundary determination, data entry, etc., through direct assessments on the property taxes of individual properties.</p>
<p>PURPOSE OF REQUEST</p>	<p>We are requesting that the Board of Supervisors:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accept the Referee Hearing Report. 2. Order ACWM and the District to enforce the removal of hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, rubbish, illegal dumping, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, from improved and unimproved properties in Los Angeles County as listed on the Resolution of the Board of Supervisors approved on February 18, 2025.
<p>BACKGROUND (include internal/external issues that may exist including any related motions)</p>	<p>Weed, brush and rubbish abatement is conducted pursuant to California Health and Safety Code (Code) Sections 13879 and 14875-14922. The initial step of the process was the adoption of a resolution by the Board on February 18, 2025, during which time weeds, brush and rubbish on designated properties were declared to be a public nuisance. Following the resolution, a legal notice was mailed to each affected property owner in the form prescribed by Section 14892 of the Code. The legal notice included the date and time of this hearing, and no further notice or newspaper publication is required.</p> <p>After the notices were mailed, public hearings were held before the Weed Abatement and Defensible Space Clearance Referees on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, March 7, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Hacienda Heights Community Center, 1234 Valencia Ave., Hacienda Heights (SD1); • Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the District’s Fire Station 58 – Apparatus Bay, 5757 S. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles (SD 2); • Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Palos Verdes Art Center, 5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes (SD 4); • Wednesday, March 12, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the ACWM’s Conference Room, 12300 Lower Azusa Road, Arcadia (SD 5);

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, March 13, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the Antelope Valley, 335 East Avenue K-10, Lancaster (SD 5); • Friday, March 14, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Agoura Hills City Hall – Council Chambers, 30001 Ladyface Ct., Agoura Hills (SD 3); and • Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in Santa Clarita City Hall – Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita (SD 5). <p>Property owners were able to attend the public hearings, where they were provided individual consultation regarding program-related issues, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why their properties have been included in the program • When their properties need to be cleared • What needs to be done on the property to remove the hazard or public nuisance • The inspection fee • Additional costs <p>Property owners who have objections to having their properties included in the program may appear before the Board during this hearing, as required by Section 14898 of the Code, after which the Board may allow or overrule any or all objections and order ACWM and the District to continue with abatement proceedings.</p>
EQUITY INDEX OR LENS WAS UTILIZED	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain how:
SUPPORTS ONE OF THE NINE BOARD PRIORITIES	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please state which one(s) and explain how:
DEPARTMENTAL CONTACTS	Name, Title, Phone # & Email: KURT E. FLOREN Agricultural Commissioner/ Director of Weights and Measures (626) 575-5451 KFloren@acwm.lacounty.gov



Kurt E. Floren
Agricultural Commissioner
Director of Weights and Measures

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Department of Agricultural Commissioner/ Weights and Measures

12300 Lower Azusa Road
Arcadia, CA 91006-5872
<https://acwm.lacounty.gov>



Maximiliano E. Regis
Chief Deputy

March 25, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

2025 DEFENSIBLE SPACE CLEARANCE/WEED ABATEMENT REFEREES' HEARING REPORT (ALL DISTRICTS) (3-VOTES)

SUBJECT

Annual abatement of hazardous vegetation is a critical component of the overall fire prevention infrastructure throughout most of Los Angeles County. The actions which are requested herein of your Board are part of the legal process that is required to carry out this critical public safety function. The importance of these abatement activities is all the more relevant in light of recent devastation wrought by the Eaton and Palisades Fires, and highlights the protections the abatement provides to the lives and properties of residents throughout the county in preventing fuel accumulation and securing defensible space. The abatement of hazardous vegetation is completed by a joint effort between the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM) and the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Accept the Referee Hearing Report.
2. Order ACWM and the District to enforce the removal of hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, rubbish, illegal dumping, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, from improved and unimproved properties in Los Angeles County as listed on the Resolution of the Board of Supervisors approved on February 18, 2025.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Various properties, which are both improved and unimproved (vacant), were declared by prior Board resolution to contain or have the potential to contain public nuisances due to hazardous vegetation or rubbish. By accepting the Referee Hearing Report and holding this hearing, ACWM and the District will be able to take the necessary actions that cause the public nuisances to be abated if not done so by the owners of the properties upon which unsafe conditions exist. ACWM will continue to focus primarily on the unimproved (vacant) properties and the District will continue to work towards achieving fire safety on the improved properties.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action supports the County Strategic Plan goals through the following strategies:

- North Star 2: Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities. Focus Area Goal C.: Public Safety – Strategy i.: Prevention, Protection and Security - Removal of overgrown weeds, neglected vegetation and illegal dumping contributes to the health and safety of residents within many of the County's diverse communities.
- North Star 3: Realize Tomorrow's Government Today. Focus Area Goal G.: Internal Controls and Processes – Strategy i.: Maximize Revenue - Conducting nuisance abatement pursuant to the statutory authority of the California Health and Safety Code allows ACWM and the District to respond to hazards posed by weeds, brush, and rubbish more quickly and effectively than when using other nuisance abatement procedures. It also allows complete cost recovery for ACWM's and the District's role in this critical public safety function.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost.

ACWM will recover its expenses for abatement costs, including clerical functions such as mailings, boundary determination, data entry, etc., through direct assessments on the property taxes of individual properties.

The District will assess fines directly to private property owners of declared improved properties if they fail to comply with two official notices to abate hazards that constitute a public nuisance. Reimbursement of initial inspections and abatement costs for enforcement services beyond annual inspection will be recovered through direct assessments to the tax roll of individual properties. The Board of Supervisors has approved an initial inspection fee of \$151.00 for all declared improved parcels. The County of Los Angeles Auditor-Controller has approved administrative abatement enforcement costs of \$1,199.00 for improved parcels that require enforcement actions

beyond a second inspection. Failure to comply 30 days after the Official Inspection Report will also result in the assessment of a \$500 administrative fine that will be directly billed to the property owner.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Weed, brush and rubbish abatement is conducted pursuant to California Health and Safety Code (Code) Sections 13879 and 14875-14922. The initial step of the process was the adoption of a resolution by the Board on February 18, 2025, during which time weeds, brush and rubbish on designated properties were declared to be a public nuisance. Following the resolution, a legal notice was mailed to each affected property owner in the form prescribed by Section 14892 of the Code. The legal notice included the date and time of this hearing, and no further notice or newspaper publication is required.

After the notices were mailed, public hearings were held before the Weed Abatement and Defensible Space Clearance Referees on the following dates:

- Friday, March 7, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Hacienda Heights Community Center, 1234 Valencia Ave., Hacienda Heights (SD1);
- Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the District's Fire Station 58 – Apparatus Bay, 5757 S. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles (SD 2);
- Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Palos Verdes Art Center, 5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes (SD 4);
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- Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in Santa Clarita City Hall – Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita (SD 5).

Property owners were able to attend the public hearings, where they were provided individual consultation regarding program-related issues, such as:

- Why their properties have been included in the program
- When their properties need to be cleared
- What needs to be done on the property to remove the hazard or public nuisance
- The inspection fee
- Additional costs

Property owners who have objections to having their properties included in the program may appear before the Board during this hearing, as required by Section 14898 of the Code, after which the Board may allow or overrule any or all objections and order ACWM and the District to continue with abatement proceedings.

ACWM and the District will keep an account of the abatement cost, including enforcement, administrative fines, and inspection fees, and will render a report containing all itemized costs of abatement charges (Report) to the Board showing the abatement cost on each separate parcel of land. Pursuant to Section 14910 of the Code, the Board shall receive and consider the Report at a hearing on July 22, 2025, during which time the Board will hear any objections from property owners liable to be assessed for the cost of the abatement that was required.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current services.

Respectfully submitted,

KURT E. FLOREN
Agricultural Commissioner
Director of Weights and Measures

ANTHONY C. MARRONE
Fire Chief

KEF/ACM:az:jr

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

ADRIAN ZAVALA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR/BUREAU CHIEF, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, being first duly sworn, affirms: On or before the 2nd day of February 2025, as required by the State of California Health and Safety Code Section 14896, I mailed, or caused to be mailed, to the owners of each of 27,636 properties as their names and addresses appear from the last equalized assessment roll, or as were known to the clerk, a notice or notices (“Annual Weed Abatement Notice”) to destroy noxious or dangerous weeds or remove brush, rubbish and refuse, and setting the 7th, 8th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th days of March 2025 as the dates upon which owners of said properties could attend a meeting of the Weed Abatement Referee, when their objections would be heard and given due consideration. Attached is a true and correct copy of such Notice.

I have personal knowledge of the foregoing, and if called upon could competently testify thereto.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

ADRIAN ZAVALA
Deputy Director, Bureau Chief

WITNESSED BY:

This _____ day of _____

JENNY RIVAS
Staff Assistant II
Weed Hazard and Integrated Pest Management Bureau



Kurt E. Floren
Agricultural Commissioner
Director of Weights and Measures

12300 Lower Azusa Road
Arcadia, California 91006-5872
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Chief Deputy

Annual Weed Abatement Notice 2025

Dear Property Owner:

You are the recorded owner of a parcel of land, identified as Assessor's Identification Number (AIN):

Table with 4 columns: MAPBOOK, PAGE, PARCEL, ZONE. The first row is labeled 'ASSESSOR'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER' and the second row is labeled 'ZONE'.

The following is a legal notice regarding hazardous conditions that are or could be on the parcel. The other side of this letter contains a much more detailed explanation of your responsibility as a property owner and how to get more information.

NOTICE TO DESTROY WEEDS, REMOVE BRUSH, RUBBISH AND REFUSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON FEBRUARY 18, 2025, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

passed or will pass a resolution declaring noxious or dangerous vegetation* or rubbish and refuse were growing or occurring upon or in front of property on certain streets in said city or unincorporated area of the County of Los Angeles, more particularly described in the resolution, and that they constitute a public nuisance which must be abated by the removal of said noxious or dangerous vegetation, rubbish and refuse.

WEED ABATEMENT REFEREE HEARINGS

- (1) Hacienda Heights
Friday, March 7, 2025, - from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM in the Hacienda Heights Community Center at 1234 Valencia Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA 91745.
(2) Los Angeles
Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until noon. in the District's Fire Station 58 at 5757 S. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90056.
(3) Rancho Palos Verdes
Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Palos Verdes Art Center, 5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275.
(4) Arcadia
Wednesday, March 12, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the ACWM, 12300 Lower Azusa Road, Arcadia, CA 91006.
(5) Antelope Valley
Thursday, March 13, 2025, from 9:30 AM until noon in the Los Angeles County Antelope Valley Office at 335 East Ave. K-10, Lancaster, CA 93535.
(6) Agoura Hills
Friday, March 14, 2025, from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM in the Agoura Hills City Hall-Council Chambers at 30001 Ladyface Ct., Agoura, CA 91301.
(7) Santa Clarita
Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 9:30 AM until noon in the Santa Clarita City Hall-Council Chambers at 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA 91355.

A property owner may attend a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors on March 25, 2025, at 9:30 am.

You are not required to go to the public hearing(s) See reverse of this notice for more information regarding the public hearings.

*Including weeds, brush, tumbleweeds, sagebrush or vegetation that is not pruned or is otherwise neglected so as to attain such large growth as to become, when dry, a fire menace to adjacent improved property.

THE DEPARTMENT

We are the Los Angeles County, Department of Agricultural Commissioner/ Weights and Measures. One of our missions is to help protect the lives and property of Los Angeles County residents through a Hazard Abatement Program (Program) conducted pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code sections 13879 and 14875-14922*

ABOUT THIS NOTICE

You received this notice because you were identified as the owner of the parcel referenced by the AIN number on the front of this document. Your name and address were obtained as they appeared on the last equalized tax assessment roll.

Your parcel (property) was included in the Program for one of the following reasons:

- ✓ Weeds, brush or neglected vegetation are, or could grow to be, close enough to a house or other structure to pose a fire hazard to the house.
- ✓ Weeds or brush are close enough to a road to jeopardize use of the road in the event of a fire.
- ✓ Accumulated piles of rubbish, refuse, trash, litter, or other flammable material, etc., is or may be on the property creating a health or fire hazard, or some other public nuisance condition.
- ✓ (Antelope Valley only) Large amounts of tumbleweeds are, or may be, on the property which can blow off and spread, cause traffic accidents on the highway, damage agricultural crops or build up along fences, homes, etc.**

WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

For your property

You are expected to maintain your property hazard free. Depending on the area, dry weeds, brush or neglected vegetation within **100 feet up to 200 feet** from a home or other structure, or 10 feet of a road, are considered a hazard. Please contact us if you are not sure how much you are expected to clear or if you have any questions. If your vacant parcel is not within 100 feet of a home or other structure, it has been included in the Program because of the potential for tumbleweeds** (Antelope Valley only) or accumulations of trash.

The Hearings

The front of this notice has dates, locations and times for public hearings. They are provided to give property owners the chance to discuss the Program and bring up any concerns directly with Program staff.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARING(S), however the **Weed Abatement Referee Hearings** may be good opportunities for you to:

- Find out exactly where your vacant property is located
- Learn why your property was included in the Program
- Provide us with information to help us determine if your property should be removed from the Program.

Change of Ownership

If you are no longer the owner of the property identified in this notice, please notify the L.A. County Assessor's Office, Ownership Services, at 1(888) 807-2111 (Toll Free), (213) 974-3211, or their website <http://assessor.lacounty.gov> immediately. If you sell or have sold the property, failure to disclose this legal notice to the new owner may make you liable for all hazard abatement charges assessed to the property.

Native Trees

In many areas of the County, certain native trees like oaks, walnuts and sycamores may be protected by County or City ordinances. Please contact our office prior to cutting or pruning any of these.

Discing

The use of discing for weed abatement is prohibited within most areas of the Santa Monica Mountains. More information is available here: http://planning.lacounty.gov/assets/upl/project/coastal_adopted-LIP.pdf or by calling the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning at (213) 974-6453.

HAZARD ABATEMENT (CLEARANCE) TIMELINE

IMPORTANT! Don't clear your property too early. Your property may not need to be cleared at the time of receiving this notice. April 1, 2025, is the earliest the County will begin clearance operations. It could be much later in your area. The process of County inspections and abatement can take up to several months, so if you are planning to maintain your own property, let us know by using the enclosed Response Card or online at <http://acwm.lacounty.gov> no later than **March 10, 2025**. You will then be sent a clearance deadline specific to your property. For more information visit our website or call our office.

Regrowth of vegetation due to late rainfall may result in the need for more than one clearance during the year.

After **April 1, 2025**, the County will begin systematically inspecting parcels and, if hazardous weeds, brush or trash are present, the County will abate the hazard(s).** The cost of the abatement will be assessed to the parcel appearing as a separate item (LA CO HAZ ABATE) on the annual tax bill.

INSPECTION FEE

The Board of Supervisors has authorized an Inspection Fee of \$53.14, which will be assessed on all affected properties whether or not they are cleared by the property owners.

HOW TO CONTACT US

You may communicate with us using the enclosed Response Card, online at <http://acwm.lacounty.gov> or by telephone at (626) 575-5484 or (626) 575-5485.

* In the following cities, the Hazard Abatement Program is conducted pursuant to the California Government Code, sections 39560-39588: Arcadia, City of Commerce, Glendale, La Verne, Monterey Park, Santa Fe Springs, and South Pasadena.

SPECIAL INFORMATION REGARDING TUMBLEWEEDS: Because of environmental factors, systematic inspections and abatement of current season's growth of tumbleweeds on parcels in the Antelope Valley will not begin until **October 1, 2025.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

TREVOR MOORE, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF FORESTRY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT, being duly sworn says: That on or before the 1st of February 2025, he mailed, or caused to be mailed, all “Annual Defensible Space Clearance Notices” to the owners of each of the properties described in the Declaration List, as their names and residential addresses and a description of the property in question appear from the last equalized assessment roll, or as known to the clerk, which notices request owners to destroy hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, and sets the 7th, 8th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th days of March 2025 as the dates upon which owners of said property may attend a hearing of the Defensible Space Clearance Referee, when their objections will be heard and given due consideration. Attached is a true and correct copy of such notice.

I have personal knowledge of the foregoing, and if called upon could competently testify thereto.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Trevor Moore
Assistant Chief, Forestry

WITNESSED BY:
This _____ day of _____, 2025

PERLA GARCIA Secretary III



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT



ANTHONY C. MARRONE
FIRE CHIEF
FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

*"Proud Protectors of Life,
the Environment, and Property"*

1320 NORTH EASTERN AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90063-3294
(626) 969-2375
www.fire.lacounty.gov

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CURRENT PROPERTY OWNER

Address Street
State, CA Zip Code

Dear Property Owner:

ANNUAL DEFENSIBLE SPACE CLEARANCE NOTICE 2025

This is the first notice of inspection and a reminder that the County of Los Angeles Fire Department will be conducting annual defensible space and fuel modification inspections within the next few months.

THIS IS NOT A CITATION OR A SUMMONS

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

ASSESSOR'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER			SITE ADDRESS
MAPBOOK XXXX	PAGE XXX	PARCEL XXX	12345 Address St. State, CA 00000

NOTICE TO DESTROY HAZARDOUS BRUSH, DRY GRASS, WEEDS, COMBUSTIBLE GROWTH OR FLAMMABLE VEGETATION TO INCLUDE NATIVES AND ORNAMENTALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON FEBRUARY 18, 2025

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

passed a resolution declaring that hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth or flammable vegetation to include native and ornamental vegetation where growing upon or in front of said improved property as specifically described by the parcel number in the resolution, to be a potential fire hazard or nuisance which, upon inspection by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department is verified to be an existing hazard or nuisance and violation of the County Fire Code pertaining to clearance of brush and vegetation growth, must be removed and the nuisance abated by the Agricultural Commissioner and the cost of removal assessed upon the land. In addition, the Board of Supervisors authorized and directed the County of Los Angeles Fire Department and the Agricultural Commissioner to recover their costs related to the enforcement of the Fire Code. All property owners having objection to the removal of brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth, or flammable vegetation, including natives and ornamentals, are hereby notified that they may attend a defensible space clearance referee hearing at any location listed below.

The Referee Hearing is for a property owner to contest that the above parcel is within the High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, or the local fire station has determined increased fire risk and should be inspected.

DATE	LOCATION CITY	ADDRESS	ROOM	TIME
Fri, March 7, 2025	Hacienda Heights	1234 Valencia Avenue	Hacienda Heights Community Center	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Sat, March 8, 2025	Los Angeles	5757 S. Fairfax Avenue	Fire Station 58	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Sat, March 8, 2025	Rancho Palos Verdes	5504 Crestridge Road	Palos Verdes Art Center	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wed, March 12, 2025	Arcadia	12300 Lower Azusa Road	ACWM Conference Room	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thu, March 13, 2025	Lancaster	335 East Avenue K-10	ACWM Antelope Valley	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Fri, March 14, 2025	Agoura Hills	30001 Ladyface Court	City Hall Council Chambers	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Sat, March 15, 2025	Santa Clarita	23920 Valencia Boulevard	City Hall Council Chambers	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The Referee Hearing will also provide an opportunity to ask questions or express concerns about these inspections.

Protests which are not resolved will be sent before the Board of Supervisors on March 25, 2025, at 9:30 a.m., when their objections will be heard and given due consideration. If a property owner does not have objections to the proposed removal of hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth, or flammable vegetation, they do not need to appear at the above-mentioned hearing.

This Notice Dated: February 1, 2025

Anthony C. Marrone, Fire Chief

SERVING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF:

AGOURA HILLS	CARSON	EL MONTE	INGLEWOOD	LAWNDALE	PICO RIVERA	SIGNAL HILL
ARTESIA	CERRITOS	GARDENA	IRVINDALE	LOMITA	POMONA	SOUTH EL MONTE
AZUSA	CLAREMONT	GLENDORA	LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE	LYNWOOD	RANCHO PALOS VERDES	SOUTH GATE
BALDWIN PARK	COMMERCE	HAWAIIAN GARDENS	LA HABRA	MALIBU	ROLLING HILLS	TEMPLE CITY
BELL	COVINA	HAWTHORNE	LA MIRADA	MAYWOOD	ROLLING HILLS ESTATES	VERNON
BELL GARDENS	CUDAHY	HERMOSA BEACH	LA PUENTE	NORWALK	ROSEMEAD	WALNUT
BELLFLOWER	DIAMOND BAR	HIDDEN HILLS	LAKEWOOD	PALMDALE	SAN DIMAS	WEST HOLLYWOOD
BRADBURY	DUARTE	HUNTINGTON PARK	LANCASTER	PALOS VERDES ESTATES	SANTA CLARITA	WESTLAKE VILLAGE
CALABASAS		INDUSTRY		PARAMOUNT		WHITTIER

INSPECTION FEE

California Health & Safety Code, Section 14902, allows recovery of inspections program costs. Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures has been authorized by the Board of Supervisors to recover their inspection program costs since 1989. The Board of Supervisors authorized cost recovery and approved implementation of defensible space inspection fee in December 2021. The 2025 inspection fee is \$151.00 to be billed on the 2026 property tax bill. This fee will be assessed on all declared hazardous properties whether they are cleared by the property owner or not. The fee is intended to offset the Department's costs to keep the Defensible Space Inspection Program cost neutral.

INSPECTION TIMELINE

Defensible space inspections are scheduled to begin April 1 in desert communities, May 1 in the Inland communities, and June 1 in Coastal communities. If hazardous fire conditions exist on your property at the time of inspection, you will be issued an Official Inspection Report, indicating existing violations and providing specific instructions and a compliance deadline.

NOTE: Failure to comply 30 DAYS after the Official Inspection Report will result in the assessment of a \$500 administrative fine that will be directly billed to you. An additional \$1,199 direct assessment will also be added to your annual tax bill as item CO FIRE ABMT ENF to recover the County of Los Angeles Fire Department costs related to enforcement of the Fire Code. Additionally, if your parcel is inspected or cleared by the Agricultural Commissioner, an inspection fee of \$51.59 and the clearing costs will be placed on your annual tax bill as item LA CO HAZABATE.

HOW TO CONTACT US

For additional information regarding specific clearing requirements, prior to receiving an inspection, please contact the Defensible Space Unit at (626) 969-2375 or email to fire-defensiblespace@fire.lacounty.gov. More information is available via our website: fire.lacounty.gov/fire-hazard-reduction-programs/. Once you receive the inspection, please contact the inspector using the telephone number on the top of the inspection notice.

DEFENSIBLE SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Thousands of homes are in danger of destruction by fire because of their proximity to brush-covered areas. Homes with wood shake roofs, wood siding, decks, patio covers, or exposed eaves are particularly vulnerable to the spread of fire. Despite efforts by firefighters, wildland fires fanned by strong winds can destroy homes. It is your legal responsibility to take the necessary action by clearing vegetation around all structures at risk. A fire-safe landscape creates a defensible space to help protect and defend your home against approaching wildfires.

HELP US DEFEND YOUR HOME BY PROVIDING DEFENSIBLE SPACE.



YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Do not remove any trees or ornamental shrubs until you have received guidance from your inspection. In most circumstances, removal is not necessary if corrective trimming/pruning is done.
2. It is required that all trees and shrubs shall be maintained free of deadwood and litter. Native and ornamental vegetation known to be flammable, including, but not limited to: Acacia, Cedar, Cypress, Eucalyptus, Juniper, Pine, and Pampas Grass shall be removed within 30 feet of any structure or 50 feet in extra hazard areas or kept free of dead material and trimmed away from the structure.
3. Thin remaining vegetation for the next 70 feet, for a total of 100 feet, around any structure by clearing, trimming, thinning, limbing up, and removing flammable vegetation and dead wood. For extra hazard areas, this distance can be increased to a maximum of 200 feet.
4. Cured annual grasses should be maintained no higher than three inches.
5. Specimen native trees and shrubs are permissible, provided they do not form a means of transmitting fire to any structure. It is recommended that specimens shall be spaced a minimum of 15 feet or three times diameter from other specimens, structures, or surrounding native brush.

6. Fire access roads shall be maintained with a minimum of 10 feet of brush clearance on each side. Fire access roads shall have an unobstructed vertical clearance to the sky. Trees overhanging fire access roads shall be maintained to provide adequate vertical clearance.
7. Provide a minimum of three feet of brush clearance around all fire hydrants.
8. Trees are best trimmed during dormancy or during the winter months. Care should be taken when trimming trees during spring as this is the nesting season for many species of birds.

ASSEMBLY BILL 3074 UPDATE

Assembly Bill 3074 (AB-3074) was originally passed by the State legislature on September 29, 2020, and is known as "Zone Zero" or the Ember Resistant Zone. The State Board of Forestry has been tasked with developing implementation requirements. As of now, implementation requirements have not been defined and it is unclear when the Board of Forestry will make a final determination. This legislation is expected to severely restrict combustible material within five feet of all residential structures within the High and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones. Once the implementation requirements of AB-3074 are provided, they will be shared with you.

If/when the Board of Forestry gains approval, requirements will be immediately effective for all new construction and will be in effect for existing structures one year later. For questions or comments regarding status and requirements of AB-3074, please contact Edith Hannigan from the Board of Forestry at publiccomments@bof.ca.gov.

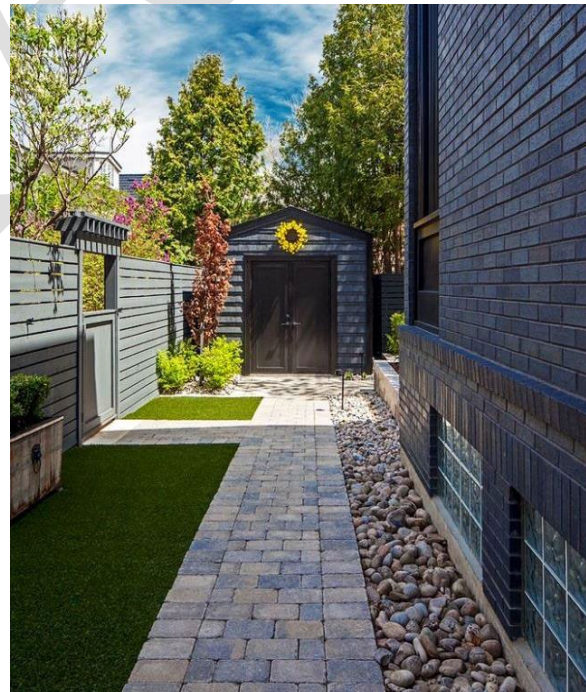


EXHIBIT 1

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES

In accordance with Division 12, Part 5, Chapter 2 of the California Health and Safety Code (commencing with Section 14880), the properties upon which, or in front of which, the nuisance exists, are hereby described in the attached Declaration List of properties which is on file with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors and is also available for review on the Internet at

<http://bos.co.la.ca.us/Categories/Agenda/AgendaHome.asp>

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DECLARING PUBLIC NUISANCE

WHEREAS, hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth, flammable vegetation and unpruned or otherwise neglected vegetation including native and ornamental plants, hereafter referred to collectively as hazardous or nuisance vegetation, where growing upon real property often attain such a growth as to become, when dry, a fire menace to improved real property or adjacent improved real property, or which are otherwise noxious or dangerous; and

WHEREAS, accumulated piles of trash, refuse, litter and other flammable material, largely the result of illegal dumping, hereafter referred to collectively as rubbish, can pose a health hazard to the community, degrade property values and serve as an attractant to further illegal dumping; and

WHEREAS, the presence of hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish upon real property are conditions which endanger the public safety and constitute a public nuisance which should be abated; and

WHEREAS, such hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish are a seasonal and recurrent nuisance on such real property located within the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles has a duty to protect the public safety and to take actions necessary to abate a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, Division 12, Part 2.7 (Section 13879) and Part 5 (Sections 14875 through 14922, inclusive) of the California Health and Safety Code (Code), authorizes the Board of Supervisors, by resolution, to declare such hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish a public nuisance and to authorize the abatement thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Board Finds. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby finds that the hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish upon real property as described in Exhibit 1 constitute and are hereby declared to be a seasonal recurrent public nuisance which should be abated.

SECTION 2. Notice. (a) The County Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures (Commissioner) and the Fire Chief of the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Chief) are hereby designated, authorized and directed to give notice to destroy and/or remove (abate) said hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish from the described properties.

(b) Not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearings described in SECTION 3 below, the Commissioner and/or Chief shall cause notice to be given to each property owner by mail as their names and addresses appear from the last equalized assessment roll or as they are known to the clerk.

SECTION 3. Hearings. (a) Friday, March 7, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Hacienda Heights Community Center, 1234 Valencia Ave., Hacienda Heights (SD 1); Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the District's Fire Station 58 – Apparatus Bay, 5757 S. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles (SD 2); Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Palos Verdes Art Center, 5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes (SD 4); Wednesday, March 12, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the ACWM's Conference Room, 12300 Lower Azusa Rd., Arcadia (SD 5); Thursday, March 13, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the Antelope Valley, 335 East Avenue K-10, Lancaster (SD 5); Friday, March 14, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Agoura Hills City Hall – Council Chambers, 30001 Ladyface Ct., Agoura Hills

(SD 3); and Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in Santa Clarita City Hall – Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita (SD 5) are fixed by this Board as the times and places when and where any and all property owners having any objections to the aforementioned proposed removal of hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish may appear before the Weed Abatement and Defensible Space Clearance Referees and show cause why said hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish should not be removed in accordance with this resolution, and said objections will then and there be heard and given due consideration.

(b) Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. is fixed by this Board as the time and place the Board of Supervisors shall hear and consider all remaining objections or protests, if any, to the proposed actions by it or its agents designed to carry out the purpose of this resolution. Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Board shall allow or overrule any or all objections, whereupon the Board shall acquire jurisdiction to proceed and perform the work of removal of the hazardous or nuisance vegetation or rubbish. After final action is taken by the Board on the disposition of any protests or objections or in case no protests or objections are received, the Board shall order the Commissioner and Chief to abate the public nuisance, or to cause it to be abated by having the hazardous or nuisance vegetation and rubbish removed.

SECTION 4. Recovery of Inspection and Abatement Enforcement Costs. (a) The Commissioner is hereby authorized and directed to recover its cost of inspection of properties hereinabove described in a manner consistent with prior action of the Board adopting a fee schedule for such inspections. The Chief is hereby authorized and directed to recover its cost of inspection of properties hereinabove described and identified during physical inspection conducted by the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County of \$151.00 per parcel and abatement enforcement costs

of \$1,199.00 for each improved parcel when the owner fails to comply with the second official notice to abate hazards on the improved real property described in Exhibit 1. The recovery of these costs is vital to the ongoing operation governing the identification and abatement of those properties that constitute a public nuisance and endanger the public safety.

(b) The owners of the property upon which, or in front of which, the nuisance exists shall be presented, both in writing and at the above-referenced hearings, with information regarding the cost of inspection and abatement enforcement.


The foregoing resolution was, on the _____ day of _____, 2025, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

EDWARD YEN,
Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
of the County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM

DAWYN R. HARRISON
County Counsel

By  _____
GEORGINA GLAVIANO
Deputy County Counsel

Los Angeles County
 Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures
 Weed Abatement Declaration Parcel List for 2025

2006001004	2006001005	2006003001	2006003002	2006003003	2006003004
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 Weed Abatement Declaration Parcel List for 2025

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County of Los Angeles Declaration List 2024-2025

TOTAL PARCELS: 130,238

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