



Fire Debris Removal Local Program EPIC-LA Application

To ensure the safety of workers, the public, and the environment, certain protocols must be followed during wildfire recovery when removing structural ash and debris left from the January Wildfire events. The County is offering two ways for property owners to manage the structural fire debris and ash removal from the wildfire disaster: 1) participate in the Government-Run Debris Removal Program (Program) or 2) elect to opt-out of the Program and obtain a County Fire Debris Removal Permit prior to removing any structural fire debris.

Property owners who choose not to participate in the Program (or are deemed ineligible) will need to 1) submit an Opt-Out Application (forms can be found here: <https://recovery.lacounty.gov/>) and 2) register with the County's EPIC-LA Permit Portal to obtain a Fire Debris Removal Permit. Property owners and their appropriately licensed contractors can apply online at: https://epicla.lacounty.gov/energov_prod/SelfService/#/home. Both the owners and contractors will need to have an EPIC-LA Account. In order to complete the application for a Fire Debris Removal Permit, the applicant will need to upload: 1) proof of opt-out form submittal, 2) proof of Phase 1 clearance (EPA or USACE), and 3) Certified Asbestos Consultant (CAC) report confirming no asbestos present in the waste or Asbestos Abatement Clearance letter prepared by the registered asbestos abatement contractor if abatement was required.

Only Class A or Class B contractors with a Hazardous Substance Removal Certification (HAZ) or contractors with the specific combination of C-21, C-12 with a HAZ certificate issued by the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) may be utilized for the Fire Debris Removal Permit. Please visit the CSLB's Disaster Help Center (https://www.cslb.ca.gov/Media_Room/Disaster_Help_Center/) to find an appropriately licensed contractor. Note, the required Hazardous Substance Removal Certification is different from a HAZWOPER training/certification.

Once the Fire Debris Removal Permit is issued, property owners may need to contact their local building department for any rebuilding permit requirements specific to their jurisdiction.

The structural integrity of concrete and masonry will be adversely affected in fire situations, especially when the structure is completely consumed by the fire. The

properties of the materials may be irreversible altered deeming it unsatisfactory for reuse in supporting a rebuilt structure.

If foundations remain in place, an approval from the Los Angeles County Building and Safety or the City Building Official will be required prior to reusing the foundation as part of the building permit process for new structures.

Note: If appropriate strengths cannot be determined by testing and analyses by the property owner's engineer, the Building Official may require foundations to be removed at the property owners' expense prior to issuing a building permit.

For properties in the Los Angeles County Building and Safety jurisdiction, please refer to the following:

[https://dpw.lacounty.gov/bsd/lib/fp/Building/Structural%20and%20Technical/Reuse%20of%20Existing%20Foundation%20Systems%20in%20a%20Fire%20Damaged%20Structure%20\(Rev%2002-2025\).pdf](https://dpw.lacounty.gov/bsd/lib/fp/Building/Structural%20and%20Technical/Reuse%20of%20Existing%20Foundation%20Systems%20in%20a%20Fire%20Damaged%20Structure%20(Rev%2002-2025).pdf).

For properties in City jurisdictions, please refer to their respective City requirements.

Questions regarding the Fire Debris Removal Local Program Application, contact Los Angeles County Public Works' Local Program Hotline at (888) 479-7328. For addition fire-related resources, visit recovery.lacounty.gov.

APPLYING FOR FIRE DEBRIS REMOVAL PERMIT

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please have the following documents ready before you begin your Fire Debris Removal Permit application:

- Both the property owner and the HAZ certified contractor have registered with EPIC-LA (see below).
- Confirmation of submittal of the Opt-Out form (PDF copy of the completed form or confirmation email received from FireDebrisPermit@dpw.lacounty.gov). Please note, you don't need to have a "Los Angeles County Acknowledgement" signed copy of your Opt-Out form to proceed with applying.
- Proof of Phase I completion by EPA or USACE.
- Report prepared by a Certified Asbestos Consultant (CAC) (https://www.dir.ca.gov/databases/doshcaccsst/caccsst_Query_1.HTML) confirming no asbestos present
 - Note: If asbestos is determined to be present, all asbestos must be abated by a registered asbestos abatement contractor (<https://www.dir.ca.gov/Databases/doshacru/acruList.asp>).
 - Once abatement has been completed, an Asbestos Abatement Clearance letter prepared by the registered abatement contractor is to be provided certifying the work performed and that all asbestos identified in the CAC report has been removed from the property. For further information about asbestos abatement, please visit South Coast AQMD's Asbestos Demolition & Removal: Addressing Wildfire Debris (<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/compliance/asbestos-demolition-removal>).

STEP 1: After logging on to your account, click the “Appy” button.

The screenshot shows the EPIC LA website interface. At the top left is the EPIC LA logo with the text "Los Angeles County Electronic Permitting & Inspections". To the right of the logo is the user name "kevin phan" and a shopping cart icon. Below the logo is a navigation menu with items: Home, Dashboard, Apply, My Work, Request Inspection, Transportation, Building Permit Help, Customer Survey, Map, and Pay Invoices. Below the navigation menu is a secondary menu with items: Report, Search, Help, and Calendar. A blue banner below the menu contains the text: "Small businesses serving their communities can now apply for streamlined permit and concierge services. Please visit _____". The main content area has a background image of architectural blueprints and a large heading "Welcome to EPIC-LA". Below the heading are six white cards, each with an icon and text. The "Apply" card is circled in red. The cards are: "My Account" (person icon), "Apply" (checklist icon), "Permit/Plan Helper App" (building icon), "Pay Invoice" (dollar sign icon), "Search Public Records" (magnifying glass icon), and "Request Inspection" (calendar icon).

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Report Search Help Calendar

Small businesses serving their communities can now apply for streamlined permit and concierge services. Please visit _____

Welcome to EPIC-LA

My Account
Click here to access your account information.

Apply
This tool will allow you to view permits/plans/licenses that are available to be applied for.

Permit/Plan Helper App
This tool will help you select the correct permit or plan to apply for.

Pay Invoice
Pay for an invoice. An invoice number is required.

Search Public Records
This tool can be used to search for existing permits, plans, inspections, code cases, requests and licenses.

Request Inspection
Click here to request an inspection on an existing record.

STEP 2: Click on “Apply” under Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal, or search “Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal” in the search bar above.

The screenshot shows the EPIC LA application assistant interface. At the top, the logo for EPIC LA (Los Angeles County Electronic Permitting & Inspections) is visible, along with the user name 'kevin phan' and a shopping cart icon. A navigation bar contains links for Home, Dashboard, Apply, My Work, Request Inspection, Transportation, Building Permit Help, Customer Survey, Map, and Pay Invoices. Below the navigation bar, the 'Application Assistant' section features a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search for application names and keywords' and a magnifying glass icon. A horizontal menu below the search bar includes buttons for 'All', 'Trending', 'MyHistory', 'LICENSES', 'PERMITS', and 'PLANS'. The 'Show Categories' section displays two application cards. The first card is for 'Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal', which includes a tractor icon, a category name, and a detailed description. A blue 'Apply' button is located to the right of this card. The second card is for 'County Rebuild - Temporary Housing Permit', also featuring a tractor icon, a category name, a description, and an 'Apply' button. A 'Show My Templates' link is visible to the right of the first card.

STEP 3: Click the “+” to add the affected property address you are applying for. You can search by property address or by APN. Only search the address number and street name. Omit any “Drive, Lane, Street, Avenue” suffix or city name in the search bar.

Example:

Actual Address: 3741 Malibu Vista Drive, Malibu, CA 90265

Search: 3741 Malibu Vista

The screenshot shows the EPIC LA application interface for "Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal". The top navigation bar includes "Home", "Dashboard", "Apply", "My Work", "Request Inspection", "Transportation", "Building Permit Help", "Customer Survey", "Map", and "Pay Invoices". A progress bar below the header shows seven steps: 1. Locations, 2. Type, 3. Contacts, 4. More Info, 5. Attachments, 6. Signature, and 7. Review and Submit. The "Locations" step is currently active. Below the progress bar, the "LOCATIONS" section contains the instruction: "Address provided must be site address where fire debris removal will be performed." A blue button with a white plus sign and the text "Add Location" is highlighted with a red circle. Below this button is a "REQUIRED" label. At the bottom of the form, there are three buttons: "Create Template", "Save Draft", and "Next".

The screenshot shows the "Add Location" form in the EPIC LA application. The top navigation bar is the same as in the previous screenshot. Below the navigation bar, there is a "Back to Application" link. The "Add Location" section has two tabs: "Address" (selected) and "Parcel". Below the tabs, there is a dropdown menu labeled "Add Address As" with "Location" selected. A "Search" button is located below the dropdown. At the bottom, the "Address Information" section is highlighted with a red circle and contains a search input field with a magnifying glass icon.

STEP 4: Follow the prompt when inputting information. Required fields identified with a red asterisk must be completed to continue.

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Search Help Calendar

Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal ***REQUIRED**

Locations Type Contacts More Info Attachments Signature Review and Submit

PERMIT DETAILS

Please provide a brief description of work to be performed. Please include, number of foundations and structures to be removed, septic tanks, pools, basements, wells/water tanks, and hazard trees.

Do not proceed if you have NOT completed the Opt-Out form.

* **Permit Type** Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Remov

* **Description** Remove 2000 SF house, 2 trees, and 1000 SF ADU in rear

Back Create Template Save Draft Next

STEP 5: Please add the appropriate contacts to your permit by clicking the “+” for each required field. You may add additional contacts if needed. Contacts identified on this page will have access to the permit for uploading documents and will receive automated email updates about permit status. Both the property owner and licensed contractor must be registered with EPIC-LA to be added as a contact.

Contractors are required to enter their CSLB license number when registering with EPIC-LA. Their CSLB license number will be used to confirm that they have an active Class A or Class B license with HAZ certification or the specific combination of C-21, C-12 license with a HAZ certification at the time of permit issuance. The program will NOT move forward if attempting to add an unregistered contractor or a contractor without the proper license.

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Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal *REQUIRED

Locations Type **3** Contacts More Info Attachments Signature Review and Submit

CONTACTS

Owner and Contractor are required. Contractor must have HAZ certification. EPIC-LA will show an error message if attempting to add an unregistered or uncertified contractor.

Please note: In order to add a contact, they must already have a contact record in our system. If they do not, please have them register for an account first. They can create an account [here](#). Here is a link to the [user guide](#). Contractors are required to enter their certification when registering.

[Find My Licensed Contractor - Search by Location - CSLB](#)

Applicant

CSS User Account
EPIC-LA Tech Support (You)
900 S. Fremont Ave.,
Alhambra, CA, US, 91803

Contractor
Add Contact
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Owner
Add Contact
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Applicant
Add Contact
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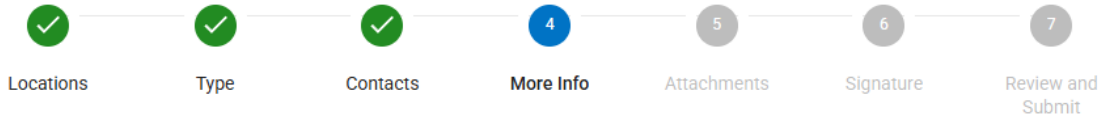
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STEP 6: Please thoroughly read through all specified prompts and make a selection for each of the acknowledgments required. Then click next to move forward.

Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal

***REQUIRED**



MORE INFO

Owner Information

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***Has the Opt-Out form been completed?**

***Acknowledge Opt-Out Form Completed**

Please **DO NOT** proceed with application if the Opt-Out form has **NOT** been completed.

***Property Owner Name**

Property Owner Email Address

Property Owner Phone Number

STEP 7: Click the “+” to upload the following required documents:

- Confirmation of submitted Opt-Out form (PDF copy of the completed form or confirmation email received from Opt-Out@dpw.lacounty.gov).
- Proof of Phase I completion (EPA or USACE).
- Certified Asbestos Consultant (CAC) report confirming no asbestos present at the property.

The screenshot shows the EPIC LA web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the EPIC LA logo and the text "Los Angeles County - Electronic Permitting & Inspections". To the right of the logo, there is a user profile "kevin phan" and a shopping cart icon. Below the navigation bar is a menu with items: Home, Dashboard, Apply, My Work, Request Inspection, Transportation, Building Permit Help, Customer Survey, Map, Pay Invoices, Report, and Search. Below the menu is a progress bar with seven steps: 1. Locations (checked), 2. Type (checked), 3. Contacts (checked), 4. More Info (checked), 5. Attachments (active), 6. Signature, and 7. Review and Submit. Below the progress bar is the "Attachments" section, which includes the instruction "Upload a Certified Asbestos Consultant (CAC) Report showing no asbestos is present on site." and three "Add Attachment" buttons. The first button is for "Approved Opt-Out Application Form" and the second is for "Certified Asbestos Consultant Report...". Both have a "REQUIRED" label at the bottom. The third button is a generic "Add Attachment" button with a "Select Type" dropdown menu. Below the buttons are "Back", "Create Template", "Save Draft", and "Next" buttons.

STEP 8: Please type your name to apply an electronic signature to the application.

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Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal *REQUIRED

Locations ✓ Type ✓ Contacts ✓ More Info ✓ Attachments ✓ **Signature 6** Review and Submit 7

SIGNATURE

* Please type your name as consent to electronically sign this application.

Enable Type Signature

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February, 12 2025

X Draw Signature Here

STEP 9: Review your application data to verify that all information is accurate, then click submit. Fire Debris Removal activities may begin upon proper notification to Public Works.

Apply for Permit - Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal

REQUIRED



Submit

Locations

Location	3741 Malibu Vista Drive Malibu, CA 90265
Parcel Number	4443004038

Basic Info

Type	Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal
Description	test
Applied Date	02/12/2025

Contacts

Applicant	kevin phan Test LA Public Works 900 S Fremont Ave , Alhambra, CA, , 91754
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STEP 10: To check the status of your application, look at the “Status” field when accessing your application on EPIC-LA. For proof of approval, go to the “Attachments” tab and look for “PW – Fire Debris Removal Permit”.

The screenshot displays the EPIC-LA interface for permit number FDR2025000105. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Dashboard', 'Apply', 'My Work', 'Request Inspection', 'Transportation', 'Building Permit Help', 'Map', 'Pay Invoices', 'Report', 'Search', 'Help', and 'Calendar'. The user 'Jonathan Rinella' is logged in.

Permit Number: FDR2025000105

A notification states: "A hold currently exists on this permit."

Permit Details:

- Type: Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal
- Status: Issued
- Project Name:
- Applied Date: 03/02/2025
- Issue Date: 03/02/2025
- District: SD-3
- Assigned To: PW, Fire Debris
- Expire Date: 03/02/2026
- Finalized Date:
- Description: TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST

Navigation Tabs: Summary, Locations, Fees, Inspections, **Attachments** (circled in red), Contacts, Sub-Records, Holds (1), More Info.

Progress: 0% Completed

Workflow:

- Review Certified Asbestos Report (CAC)
- Confirm Approved Opt-out Application Received

Available Actions: Request Inspection (PW - Permit - Debris Removal Ins) [Request]

Attachments Section:

Summary, Locations, Fees, Inspections, **Attachments** (circled in red), Contacts, Sub-Records, Holds (1), More Info.

Attachments | Next Tab | Permit Details | Main Menu

Attachments (Sort: Needs Action)

Attachment Name	Size	Uploaded	Notes
PW - Fire Debris Removal Permit.pdf	137.94 KB	03/02/2025	Notes: Auto attached by system
TEST CAC REPORT.pdf	15.01 KB	03/02/2025	Notes: 3. Certified Asbestos Consultant Report (CAC)
TEST OPT.pdf	14.91 KB	03/02/2025	Notes: 2. Confirmation of Opt-Out Form
TEST EPA PHASE 1.pdf	14.68 KB	03/02/2025	Notes: 1. Proof of Phase 1 or Equivalent

Add Attachment:

Select Type

Add Attachment

Supported: .jpg, .png, .jpeg, .gif, .tiff, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .text, .zip, .dxf, .dwf, .dwfx, .pdf, .rtf, ...

Submit

CLOSING OUT FIRE DEBRIS REMOVAL PERMIT

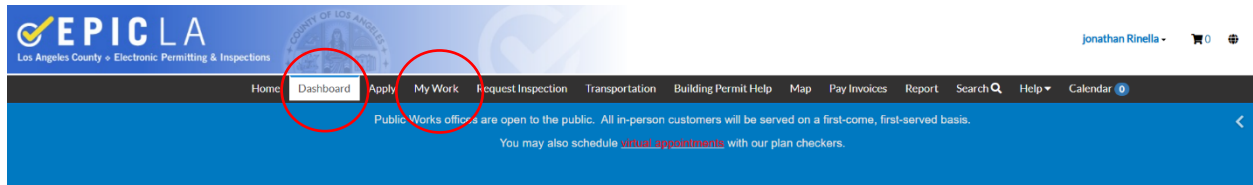
CLOSE OUT PROCESS:

Once fire debris removal activities are completed, please have the following documents ready for upload:

- Site photos of the completed site.
- Weight tickets and disposal documents from a certified landfill or recycling facility.
- Hazardous Waste Manifest(s) if applicable.

Note, failure to provide adequate Post Debris Removal Documentation may result in significant delays in issuance of Final Fire Debris Removal Permit Closure.

STEP 1: Log onto EPIC-LA and go to the Dashboard tab or the My Work tab and locate the Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal application.



My Permits

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My Plans

Attention 0	Pending 0	Active 0	Recent 0	Draft 0
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[View My Plans](#)

STEP 2: Go to the Attachments tab. Click the “+” to add all post fire debris removal documentation.

The screenshot displays the EPIC-LA web application interface. At the top, the header shows the EPIC-LA logo and the user's name, Jonathan Rinella. The navigation menu includes options like Home, Dashboard, Apply, My Work, Request Inspection, Transportation, Building Permit Help, Map, Pay Invoices, Report, Search, Help, and Calendar. The main content area shows the permit details for FDR2025000105, including the permit type (Eaton & Palisades Fire Debris Removal), status (Issued), project name, applied date (03/02/2025), issue date (03/02/2025), district (SD-3), assigned to (PW, Fire Debris), and expire date (03/02/2026). The description is "TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST TEST". Below the details, there are tabs for Summary, Locations, Fees, Inspections, Attachments (highlighted with a red circle), Contacts, Sub-Records, Holds, and More Info. The Attachments tab is active, showing a list of four PDF attachments:

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TEST EPA PHASE 1.pdf	14.68 KB	03/02/2025	Notes: 1. Proof of Phase 1 or Equivalent

Below the list of attachments, there is a modal window for adding a new attachment. The modal has a "Select Type" dropdown and a large blue button with a white plus sign labeled "Add Attachment". Below the button, it lists supported file types: .jpg, .png, .jpeg, .gif, .tif, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .text, .zip, .rar, .xml, .dwg, .pdf, .rt, .t. A red circle highlights the "Add Attachment" button.

Once all documents have been uploaded, contact the County at FireDebrisPermit@dpw.lacounty.gov to notify staff that all post debris removal documents have been uploaded for review. Please be sure to include the property address, FDR permit number, and clearly state that all documentation has been uploaded to EPIC-LA. Once review has been completed, Final Fire Debris Removal Permit Closure will be provided.