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Eaton and Palisades Air Monitoring Update

DIAMOND BAR – The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) continues its expanded air monitoring efforts in response to ongoing debris removal efforts near the Eaton and Palisades fire areas. Air monitoring will provide data for particulate matter (PM2.5 and PM10), air toxics (such as lead and arsenic), and asbestos in communities near the burn zones.

The public within and near the Eaton and Palisades burn areas is strongly encouraged to follow the <u>safety</u> <u>precautions</u> outlined by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health to minimize the potential risk of exposure to ash, soot, and fire debris. Strong winds can carry ash and soot over a wider area, increasing the potential for exposure, so it is especially important to take extra care during weather fluctuations and windy conditions.

| Monitoring Site | Sample Date | Air Toxics | Asbestos | Continuous PM2.5/PM10 | | |
|---|-------------|---|--------------|--|--|--|
| Near Altadena Golf Course | 3/14/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | | | |
| | 3/17/2025 | Air toxic metal selenium was slightly above background levels, but does not pose any health risk | Not Detected | To date, continuous PM2.5 and PM10 data were below federal | | |
| | 3/20/2025 | Sample is being analyzed | Not Detected | | | |
| Christ the Shepherd Lutheran Church | 3/14/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | | | |
| | 3/17/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | standards | | |
| | 3/20/2025 | Sample is being analyzed | Not Detected | | | |
| Fire Station 11 | 3/14/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | - | | |
| | 3/17/2025 | Air toxic metal selenium was slightly above background | Not Detected | | | |

EATON AIR MONITORING RESULTS (March 14-20, 2025)

| | levels, but does not pose any health risk | | |
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| 3/20/2025 | Sample is being analyzed | Not detected | l |

PALISADES AIR MONITORING RESULTS (March 14-20, 2025)

| Monitoring Site | Sample Date | Air Toxics | Asbestos | Continuous PM2.5/PM10 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------|--|
| Near Will Rogers State Beach | 3/14/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | - |
| | 3/17/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | |
| | 3/20/2025 | Sample is being analyzed | Not Detected | To date, continuous |
| Fire Station 69 | 3/14/2025 | All air toxic metals were within background levels | Not Detected | PM2.5 and PM10 data were below federal standards |
| | 3/17/2025 | Air toxic metals chromium and selenium were above background levels, but do not pose any health risk | Not Detected | |
| | 3/20/2025 | Sample is being analyzed | Not Detected | <u> </u> |

All available data can be found at: <u>www.aqmd.gov/lawildfires</u> or directly on the data dashboard at: <u>xappp.aqmd.gov/WildFireMonitoring</u>

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