

**Brian Averill**

Whereas the recent devastating wildfires have left the LA streets and landscape covered with a multitude of toxic chemicals, heavy metals, hazardous materials, ash and fire debris;

Whereas the EPA and FEMA, against strong public opposition, have chosen to use the beach lots along our coast to sort through the aforementioned toxic material;

Whereas the recent heavy rainstorms have washed an enormous amount of this toxic material to the coastline;

Whereas our beaches and shoreline are now awash with hazardous fire debris and black sludge;

Whereas no significant water/beach testing information has been released to the public;

The Venice Neighborhood Council **STRONGLY URGES** that this environmental catastrophe be taken seriously, with an immediate plan to fund, test, share information, and protect our coastal environment and the millions of people who enjoy it.

Letters sent to the LA City Council, LA Supervisors, and Congressman Lieu.