

LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL FIRE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM *STEPS TO IMPLEMENT PHASE II/OPTION II (DEBRIS SELF-CLEARANCE)*

Malibu property owners who choose not to participate in the Government-Sponsored fire debris removal program can participate in the Local Program administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. Due to the public health emergency, property owners are required to clean-up burn debris in a timely manner. Special precautions are required to protect the community and the environment from hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead. Use the following steps to get started with the Local Program for “self-directed” debris removal.

1. Review the Los Angeles County Local Debris Removal Program [Application and Guidelines](#) for all “self-clearance” debris removal requirements. Property owners should be aware that the Local Program involves more than just collecting and hauling regular solid waste.
2. The City of Malibu’s permitted haulers list is for regular municipal solid waste only; it is not a list of hazardous waste removal contractors. Charred landscaping (no structural damage) can be disposed of using a City permitted hauler. Obtain clearance from the [City Biologist](#) before removing any protected trees.
3. Either hire a contractor or manage the debris removal project yourself. You may search online for a qualified hazardous waste removal contractor. The Project Manager (contractor or property owner) must have the ability to hire all the necessary sub-contractors for asbestos testing, soil testing, disposal, etc. as per the Local Program [Application and Guidelines](#) (see summary on page 4). It is strongly recommended the Project Manager obtain references and check the contractor’s license status with the [Contractor's State License Board](#).
4. Property owners who are attempting to preserve an existing building foundation for reuse must hire a structural engineer to evaluate the condition of the foundation. The engineer is required to document all field testing, observations, and lab tests used to support their conclusions and recommendations for reuse.
5. By January 30, 2019, complete and submit the Local Program Application and work plan to County staff at Malibu City Hall, [23825 Stuart Ranch Road](#), Malibu or LA County’s Debris Removal Operations Center, [26610 Agoura Road, Calabasas](#) (opening January 14).
6. Once the County approves the work plan, apply for a Demolition Permit at Malibu City Hall’s Building Safety counter and provide any required notifications (AQMD, etc.). Bring documentation of the County’s approval of the work plan.
7. All work must be completed by March 15, 2019. The property owner must submit a [Property Clean-Up Completion Certification](#) and all relevant documentation to the County for approval.