



May 13, 2025

Supervisor Kathryn Barger
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
215 N. Marengo Ave., Suite 120
Pasadena, CA 91101
(sent via email)

Dear Supervisor Barger,

On behalf of the Altadena Town Council, we are writing to express our deep concern for the residents and property owners affected by the recent Eaton Fire, which has caused significant damage to homes and structures in our community.

As Altadena residents begin the difficult journey of recovery and rebuilding, they are faced not only with the personal and financial challenges brought on by this disaster but also with the substantial costs associated with County-required permits and inspections. In light of these exceptional circumstances, we respectfully urge you to consider waiving, or providing significant discounts for, permit and inspection fees for all rebuilds and repairs directly resulting from the Eaton Fire.

We note that in the past, Los Angeles County has provided such relief to communities devastated by wildfires, including the fee waivers and streamlined processes granted after the Woolsey Fire in 2018 and the Creek Fire in 2017. These actions provided critical assistance to impacted residents and helped accelerate community recovery. We believe a similar approach in response to the Eaton Fire would demonstrate once again the County's commitment to supporting its residents in times of crisis.

Such action would provide immediate and meaningful relief to those impacted and would help expedite the restoration of homes and community infrastructure. We are confident that under your leadership, Los Angeles County can take this compassionate and practical step to ease the burden on those working to rebuild their lives.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued support of the Altadena community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Knapp", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Victoria Knapp
Chair
Altadena Town Council