



COUNTY OF MONTEREY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Press Release

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Community Survey Launched

Health Officials in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz encourage affected by the Vistra Moss Landing Energy Storage Facility Fire to complete the survey

The Health Departments of the Counties of Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz invite the public to participate in a community survey to systematically gather information about potential health concerns related to the January 2025 battery fire at the Vistra Moss Landing Energy Storage Facility.

Health Officials encourage anyone affected by the fire to complete the survey even if they did not experience illness or symptoms. In addition to health information, the survey asks about the effectiveness of public messaging. “We recognize that residents have concerns about their health,” states Dr. Edward Moreno, Monterey County Health Officer and Director of Public Health. “We want to reassure the public that the information shared is valued and will be used to improve future Health Department responses.”

The five-minute survey is available in English and Spanish via the URL and QR code below. If individuals have difficulty completing the survey electronically or would like to complete the survey in a different language, community members can call 831-755-4549. More than one household member can complete the survey. Parents and guardians may submit responses on behalf of their dependent children.

The survey does not collect personally identifying information or information about residency status.

The survey will be available to the community through March 14, 2025. Survey results will be aggregated to preserve confidentiality and released publicly following analysis of the information.

For information about the battery fire, please visit the County of Monterey’s 2025 Moss Landing Vistra Power Plant Fire website at <https://www.readymontereycounty.org/emergency/2025-moss-landing-vistra-power-plant-fire>.

Survey Links:

Survey in English: www.mtyhd.org/MLFireSurvey

Survey in Spanish: www.mtyhd.org/EncuestaDeIncendiosML



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