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## From RICK AUERBACH

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#### **FIRE DAMAGE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF NOW AVAILABLE**

Los Angeles County Assessor Rick Auerbach today urged property owners with questions about damage to cabins or homes caused by the recent Angeles National Forest and Mount Baldy area fires to call his office for tax relief information.

Any structure sustaining damage of \$10,000 or more may qualify for property tax relief under calamity-related laws, if claims are filed within one year of the damage, Auerbach said.

“Most of the destruction reported so far involves dozens of cabins located on land leased from the federal government and we will be reviewing the assessment of those structures.”

“So far, we are unaware of any private homes in Los Angeles County that have been significantly damaged,” he added, “but there may be private cabins that were lost which were located on pockets of private land in the federal forest.”

“I urge anyone with questions or concerns about the tax consequences of damage caused by the fires,” Auerbach said, “not to wait, but to call our Misfortune and Calamity Section as soon as possible at (213) 974-8658.”

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