
Re: followup request from Ventura County Civil Grand Jury [confidential]

From [REDACTED]@venturacounty.gov>
Date Tue 4/7/2026 9:45 AM
To [REDACTED]@venturacounty.gov>
Cc [REDACTED]ventura.org>

I asked for further details as to why it went to final notice.
The message below was from the inspector....

Watershed cleared it but not until mid-October because anytime they are planning any type of work at Conejo Creek, they are required to perform a biological survey to identify potential issues with nesting birds and sensitive species. Once the biologist gives the go ahead, they can schedule the vegetation removal.

This became an issue last year as many residents started complaining and then they went to Supervisor Gorell's office in an effort to expedite the process.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 7, 2026, at 08:47, [REDACTED]@venturacounty.gov> wrote:

[REDACTED],
Our fire prevention bureau was able to track down two public agencies that have had arundo issues.

One was the Santa Paula airport many years ago when Santa Paula was annexed into the Fire District.

The second was watershed protection district. They received a final notice to clear arundo behind homes in Leisure Village last year. I'm surprised I did t hear about that one.

If you need more details, I have the inspector of record available.

[REDACTED]

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On Apr 6, 2026, at 08:14, [REDACTED]@venturacounty.gov> wrote:

Wonderful thank you [REDACTED].

Yes, a map would be very helpful if you can provide that.

Is it your assumption that the majority of these brush fire starts involves Arundo as the primary fuel source?

Chelsea

From: [REDACTED]@venturacounty.gov>
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