



Pali Recovery Council Logistics Planning

A Vision for Swift Rebuilding and Long-Term Resilience

In the aftermath of the recent devastation, a group of concerned community members came together to form the Palisades Recovery Coalition. United by a shared love for the Palisades, we are exploring ways to navigate the complex process of rebuilding, restoring, and strengthening our town. Our hope is not just to restore what was lost, but to help the Palisades emerge even more resilient, sustainable, and connected.

The ideas outlined below reflect a *proposed framework* to help streamline rebuilding efforts, protect our environment, and support every resident as we move forward together. Community input will be key in shaping and refining this vision.

1. Logistics: A Smarter, Smoother Daily Flow

The scale of what lies ahead is significant — with thousands of homes to rebuild, efficient movement of people and materials will be essential.

We envision staging areas at locations like the Alphabets, Marquez, and Huntington flat lots, as well as properties such as the Alma Real building and Paul Revere Middle School (during summer months). Worker accommodations could potentially be created at beach parking lots, with shuttle services easing traffic through the hills.

For materials, sites like Malibu Feed Bin, Westside Walldorf, Ralph's, and Los Leones are under consideration, with the idea of minimizing costs and delivery times. Neighboring rebuilding efforts in Malibu and Big Rock might present additional staging opportunities at places like Cholada or The Reel Inn.

Traffic flow could be improved by routing morning deliveries eastbound into the Palisades, and afternoon exits westbound out of Chautauqua.

A local concrete plant is also being discussed as a way to significantly cut down on costs and delivery times. Though still in early stages, an RFP (Request for Proposals) could eventually be issued to explore feasibility.



We're also looking into innovative ideas — from drone or helicopter deliveries for difficult locations to encouraging unused lots to host temporary housing or refuse bins — all aimed at easing the burden on our streets and speeding up recovery.

2. Public Space Compounds: A Hub for Rebuilding and Community

A centralized hub could help streamline services and bring the community together.

Early ideas include on-site plan check and inspection stations, a food truck plaza for workers and neighbors, and a materials showroom where homeowners and builders can gather inspiration. We're also exploring the possibility of a builder's hall — a central location for builders, architects, and residents to meet, problem-solve, and collaborate.

Spaces like the library could temporarily serve as flexible areas for staging or resource centers, adapting as the community's needs evolve.

3. Resilience: Building Back Better

Our future depends on rebuilding thoughtfully.

We aim to encourage the use of fire-resistant materials, smarter landscaping that includes defensible spaces, and strategic open lots that act as natural firebreaks. While we can't change the natural risks of living in a high fire severity zone, we *can* build smarter and better prepare for what may come.

We hope to work alongside the state to advocate for infrastructure improvements, controlled burns, and better maintenance of public lands — while also ensuring that insurance companies are part of the conversation from the beginning, helping make rebuilt homes more insurable.

Research partners like UCLA and the County's Blue Ribbon Commission could also provide critical insights as we move forward. We're excited to invite experts and community members into visioning workshops (charettes) with [VerdeXchange](#) to imagine a more resilient, future-ready Palisades.



4. Communications: Keeping Everyone Connected

Clear communication will be the foundation of a successful recovery.

We propose developing a simple contractor app to manage deliveries, share real-time updates, and coordinate schedules. Block captains could help keep neighborhoods informed, ensuring information flows quickly and clearly.

Construction start times would ideally be staggered, prioritizing those who lost homes first. Monthly contractor updates could help manage expectations and share progress.

Security and neighborhood coordination will also be important as rebuilding efforts ramp up — and early planning now will help ensure things run as smoothly as possible.

A Community Effort, A Hopeful Future

As lot clearance begins and neighbors start working with architects and builders, it's crucial that we have flexible plans in place to support them — not obstacles that discourage rebuilding.

Our strength lies in our community spirit. Together, with creativity, patience, and collaboration, we can ensure the Pacific Palisades not only recovers, but thrives for generations to come.