

# Los Angeles County Environmental Health

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# Exide Battery Recycling Facility, East LA

- Facility released lead and arsenic into surrounding communities of East LA, Vernon, Huntington Park, Maywood, Bell and Commerce
- LACDPH involved in community outreach, blood lead testing, and coordinating with medical providers and other health services



# Hexavalent Chromium in the City of Paramount

- The Air District detected levels of hexavalent chromium 400 times higher than other areas of LA County in October 2016
- Active investigation into industrial sources of hexavalent chromium in air
- The Air District is imposing new standards and facilities are working to comply



Source: LA Times

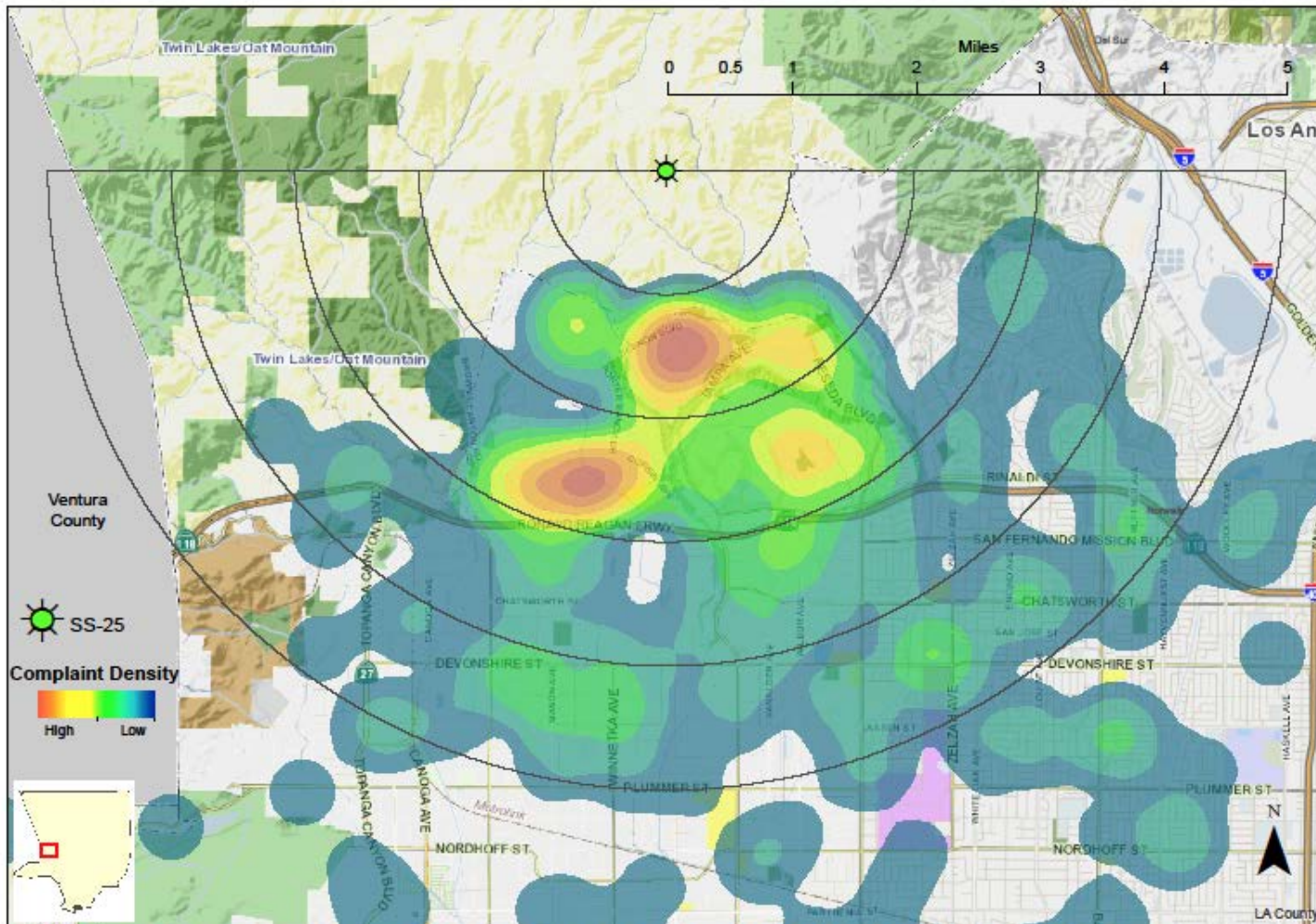


# Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Disaster

- Largest natural gas release in United States history
- Thousands of people and two schools were relocated
- Court expected to approve settlement that will fund a \$25 million health study



# Symptoms Reported to Public Health by Distance to Well SS-25



## Aliso Canyon Symptom Survey Respondent's Address

Created by: Office of Health Assessment and Epidemiology, Epidemiology Unit. 02/3/16. Map shows the density of Symptom Survey respondent's addresses. 511 of 687 addresses were located (the rest were excluded due to incorrect or missing addresses).



# Environmental Health Goals

- Reduce preventable hospital visits
- Promote understanding the important connection between health and the environment
- Empower communities to take action and get involved
- Collaborate with environmental enforcement agencies
- Improve environmental monitoring and surveillance





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