

To whom it may concern;

We are writing a letter to inform you of a growing problem in the Los Angeles basin area. The amount of waste prior to treatment and or disposal, is leading to the rapid pollution of the Los Angeles River. The Los Angeles River travels through a range or variety of Los Angeles neighborhoods for example; the headwaters originate in Santa Monica, Santa Susana, and San Gabriel mountains but eventually end up streaming by Downtown Los Angeles a highly industrialized area. The mid and end points of the river are affected to a far further degree then the beginning. This is do to the factories, railroads, freeways and major commercial and government buildings.

Some people have described the Los Angeles River as “the substance for the young Pueblo,” but now it’s known for the toxic substance it carries throughout Los Angeles. We owe the existence of our city to this river and we should help it out a little by keeping it clean.

There can be many solutions to our problems. FOLAR is an example of a program in the local area that helps revitalize the L.A. River. North East Trees also contributes to the cause of reconstructing our world and making it a better place for people, animals, and plants to live in. at our school we have decided to become more involved with our environment by creating The Mean Green Team. Since the start of our program we have participated in events such as beach clean ups, taking adventurous walks through Eaton Canyon and cleaning it at the same time. We have also started recycling at our school to show the students at our school what we can do to stop all the reusable products from going into the dump and recycle it to make new and more useful products. Another solution to this is joining environmentally based competitions for example quicksilver has founded the quikscience competition, which is a competition that asks students to study a problem and create a lesson plan discussing the problem, research, and solutions. Creating more activities for people to participate in is essential for the environment and so is the funding to start these programs.

Sincerely,

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