



ARCS: 292-30
File: FNR-2011-00026

September 12, 2011

Dear

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations. Your request is for:

"Further to a February 21, 2011 letter regarding hourly weather data from the Vanderhoof Forest District: the fine fuel moisture code values, duff moisture code values, drought code values, initial spread indices, buildup indices, fire weather indices, daily severity ratings and fire danger classes determined from that hourly data, the start-up codes used to start those weather stations in 2010, and the methodologies used to start those weather stations in 2010; Further to a December 2, 2010 letter regarding the 2010 Greer Creek fire: the initial fire report and the initial fire observations made by the bird dog officers that worked the fire if those items are not included in the logs previously requested, any Airtanker Action Reports prepared in respect of the fire, the Ministry's log of action taken on the fire, and all requests and reports made by the fire manager or incident commander and responses from the fire centre including Incident Objectives reports that refer to the fire, Fire Analysis reports completed in respect of the fire, BC Assignment and Activity Reports prepared in respect of the fire, Fire Behaviour Forecasts prepared in respect of the fire, Incident Status Summaries referring to the fire, and Situation Reports prepared by the fire centre that refer to the fire."

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body), 21 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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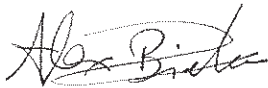
Your file is now closed.

As part of the BC Government's new Open Information initiative, this response and the enclosed records will be published on the Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after it is released electronically or a minimum of five business days after it has been released by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Rhiannon Hamdi, the analyst assigned to your request, at (250) 387-1437. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-7867, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to (250) 387-1437.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,



Alex Bjelica, Manager
Resource Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
Telephone 250-387-5629 Fax 250-387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

1. A copy of your original request;
2. A copy of our response; and
3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.