



ARCS: 292-30
File: PSS-2018-86413

January 9, 2019

Sent via email:

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 Public Safety and Solicitor General. Your request is for:

All records, electronic or hard copy records of any kind, emails, texts, handwritten notes, memoranda or other reports, however kept, that relate to discussions or decisions about offers of equipment to the BC Wildfire Service from organizations or agencies that were not a part of the BC Wildfire Service, for help fighting fires in locations in and around Burns Lake, the Verdun Fire and the Nadina Lake Fire and others, including, but not limited to: Any records that relate to the decision to refuse an offer of sprinklers, pumps and hoses from a company or people located in Fort St. John; The decision to not accept an offer of a high capacity water delivery system from truckers based in Alberta; Any briefing materials provided to assistant deputy ministers or deputy ministers. (Date Range for Record Search: From 08/02/2018 To 08/31/2018)

Please find enclosed the final phase of your request. These records are from the Minister's Office and are released to you in full. Phase one of your request, consisting of records from Emergency Management BC, was released to you December 18, 2018. Some information in the phase one records was withheld pursuant to sections 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body), and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Kelly Morita, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-2030. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250 356-2030.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'kmorita', followed by a long horizontal line.

Kelly Morita, FOI Specialist
On behalf of Cindy Kukucska, Manager
Justice / Social Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>

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.