

ARCS: 292-30

File: FNR-2017-72999

May 24, 2018

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 Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. Your request is for:

The request is limited to the planned ignitions that were executed anywhere in the areas north of Cache Creek and South of Loon Lake (believed to be referred to as the Scottie Creek / 16 mile / 17 mile areas) including: Records that show weather analysis as it relates to the planned controlled ignition; Records that show who and where crews were positioned to executed the burn, including water sources to controlled ignition; Maps / controlled burn plan / GPS coordinates; Crew and equipment counts / roles; Records showing risk analysis done prior to and during the controlled ignition burn days; Daily reports / recommendation reports presented to leadership prior to execution; Records showing any communication logs related to the controlled ignition; Notebooks and e-mails / communication logs of the leader(s) and crew members executing the controlled ignition; and Structure protection analysis recommendation reports for Loon Lake. (Date Range for Record Search: From 07/08/2017 To 07/16/2017)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 14 (Legal advice), 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement), 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations), 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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Fax: 250 387-9843

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165 00

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 Eric Shiplack, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-9155. 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 250 356-9155.

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,

Eric Shiplack, FOI Specialist

On behalf of Meghan Kane, Manager Resource Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

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.