

ARCS: 292-30 File: FNR-2017-73292

February 19, 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. You narrowed your request on November 29, 2017 through conversation and/or email with Dean Chan. Your request is for:

All memos and records relating to the Spokin Lake fire (fire # is C20645) including notes from the Incident Commander, Ignition Specialists, and Division Supervisors, subsequent information relating to the fire, decisions relating to the fire and minutes of all meetings relevant to the fire. Specific records surrounding the construction of fireguards that were placed around Woodlot 0588, records concerning the decision of a controlled burn in the area around the date of July 15. Any correspondence that includes the name between 07/14/2017 and 08/20/2017. (Date Range for Record Search: From 07/14/2017 To 10/10/2017)

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), 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), 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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Fax: 250 387-9843

Your file is now closed.

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: <a href="www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation">www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation</a>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Dean Chan, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 952-7969. 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 250 952-7969.

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,

Dean Chan, Senior FOI Analyst On behalf of Ken Bejcek, 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.