

ARCS: 292-30 File: MOE-2017-71674

June 22, 2017

Sent via email:

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 Environment. Your request is for:

A copy of the Human Wildlife Conflict Report for each of the following cases in May 2017: A bear near Extension Road in Chase River, south of Nanaimo, was killed by Conservation Officer Steve Ackles; A second bear was destroyed for eating chickens on a farm near Bowser. (Date Range for Record Search: From 04/23/2017 To 05/19/2017)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Copies of these sections of FOIPPA are provided for your reference. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

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

Your file is now closed.

The program area has indicated that Conservation Officer Steve Ackles was not involved in killing of the bears; Steve was tasked with the media release.

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Website:

Telephone: 250 387-1321 Fax: 250 387-9843

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 Bradley Cranwell, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 952-6846. 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 250 952-6846.

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,

Bradley Cranwell, 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.