

ARCS: 292-30 File: MOE-2018-84614

November 21, 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 Environment and Climate Change Strategy. Your request is for:

Records regarding: Who has the contract(s) to spray herbicide on the deciduous forests of B.C., more specifically, the aerial application of herbicides to eradicate aspen throughout B.C.; Who's name is signed on the authorization portion of the application to spray herbicide on the aspen of B.C. via aerial method; What, if any, applications to spray herbicide on the deciduous forests of B.C., are pending, were granted in 2017, 2018 calendar years; Who is overseeing the use of herbicide spray on deciduous forests of B.C., and who has the final authority over who gets to spray herbicides, and what gets sprayed. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2017 To 06/14/2018)

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.

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Fax: 250 387-9843

Website:

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 Nina MacKenzie, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-3137. 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 778 698-3137.

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,

Nina MacKenzie

Nina MacKenzie, FOI Analyst 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.