

ARCS: 292-30

File: PSS-2017-74418

January 24, 2018

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:

Regarding the North Fraser Pre-Trial Centre: Standard Operating procedures for entry, reentry, segregation, as it pertains to the application, use, and safety screens, scans, screening and scanner technology, possibly involving x-rays, date range June 30, 2017 to December 7, 2017; Records relating to approval by the person in charge at NFPC for its screen and scan technology that makes use of x-rays, other ionizing radiation, and/or microwaves, pertaining to safety considerations, testing, monitoring, effectiveness for specific types of contraband, capital and operations costs, and training documents – date range prior to June 2017 to December 7, 2017.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to sections 12 (Cabinet and local public body confidences), 13 (Policy advice or recommendations) and 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement) 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

Please note that NFPC only has Standard Operating Procedures for Body Scanners, as ion scanners, boss chairs and metal detectors have been used across the province and country for decades. As such, no recent documentation exists.

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Telephone: 250 387-1321 Fax: 250 387-9843 Regarding your request for records relating to approval by the person in charge at NFPC for this technology – technically no records exist because the Warden (or person in charge) at NFPC is not who signs off on the use of new technology such as body scanners. Sign offs of this sort happen at the executive level of BC Corrections.

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 Ken MacNeil, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-2547. 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 778 698-2547.

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,

Ken MacNeil, FOI Analyst

On behalf of Cindy Kukucska, Manager

Justice / Social 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.