

ARCS: 292-30 File: TRA-2019-93547

July 8, 2019

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 Transportation and Infrastructure. Your request is for:

The following information, for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018: Number of km of paved roads maintained by the Ministry; Number of potholes repaired each year; Total expenses for potholes repaired for each year (or roughly allocated budget to potholes repairs); Average expense for a pothole; Total volume of hot mix asphalt used for potholes repairs on BC DOT roads for each year

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety.

The Ministry has provided the following information:

- Regarding the repair/expense of potholes on Mo Tl roads, it is Mo Tl's Maintenance Contractors that maintain provincial highways within 28 service areas around the province. The Maintenance Contractors in each service area are responsible for repairs and maintenance of the driving surface, and they complete all roadside upkeep and handle bridge and winter maintenance, including repairing potholes.
- The maintenance agreements are lump sum. Unit prices are not tracked specifically for the repair of potholes and specific invoices for pothole repairs are not required/received from the Maintenance Contractors. The annual price of the Maintenance Agreement is divided equally by

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12 and monthly installments are made to the Maintenance Contractor the following month after work is complete.

• More information regarding the maintenance agreements can be found on line here: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/contracting-</u> to-transportation/highway-bridge-construction

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten 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 me at 778 698-2327. 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 778 698-2327.

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,

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Kelly Harms, Senior FOI Analyst On behalf of Ken Bejcek, Manager Business and Infrastructure 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.