

3 May 2024

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Tēnā koe,

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation (the Department), received on 13 March 2024, in which you asked for:

- *all communications, including confirmation/approvals relating to (the extra \$5m per year from a Budget 2022 allocation to DOC that has been directed to Predator Free 2050 Ltd)*
- *all communications, including confirmation/approvals relating to the extension of Jobs For Nature money by two years.*

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

On 5 April 2023, we extended the timeframe to respond to your request to 3 May 2024, as the information you are seeking is of a large quantity, and necessary consultation.

This letter is to advise you that, pursuant to section 15(1)(a) of the OIA, we have decided to grant your request and provide you with the information you are seeking. However, additional time is required to prepare the information for release. We will endeavour to provide you this information by 10 May 2024.

Please note that some information is withheld pursuant to section 9 of the OIA. In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

We appreciate your patience while we take the final steps to prepare the information for release.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the OIA.

Nāku noa, nā



Hilary Aikman
Director, Terrestrial Biodiversity
Department of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai