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Dear Cain

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), dated 6 November 2019, to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. Your request was partially transferred to the Ministry of Transport (the Ministry) on 29 November 2019.

You have asked for the following information:

How much money has been spent on the big 4 accounting firms (Deloitte, KPMG, PWC and EY) as part of the Provincial Growth Fund investment?

How much money has been spent on "consultants" as part of the Provincial Growth Fund investment?

How much money has been spent on "consultants" in the Tairāwhiti region as part of the Provincial Growth Fund investment?

The Ministry has been directly responsible for one PGF funded project; a business case to examine the merits and costs of investing in renewing and upgrading the North Auckland Rail Line and constructing the proposed Marsden Point Rail Link. In September 2018, the Ministry commissioned AECOM to complete the business case at a cost of \$484,800. As permitted under the contract, AECOM subcontracted a portion of that funding to Deloitte. The subcontracting of this work was a commercial arrangement between AECOM and Deloitte and we are not aware of the amount of funding supplied to Deloitte.

If you seek information on other PGF transport related projects, you may wish to enquire with KiwiRail and/or local councils.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to make a complaint about the withholding of information to the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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