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Dear T Austen

## OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 6 May 2020, requesting 'a copy of the draft national pest management plan for kauri dieback and the proposed national standards for walking tracks in kauri forests'. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

The 'National (Kauri Dieback) Pest Management Plan Proposal' is available on the Kauri Dieback website. However, before a plan can be drafted, a National (Kauri Dieback) Pest Management Plan will require Ministerial approval of the above proposal, including funding to implement the plan. Therefore, this part of your request is refused pursuant to Section 18(e) of the OIA, *as the document requested does not exist*.

Further information on the National (Kauri Dieback) Pest Management Plan proposal can be found at the following link - <https://www.kauridieback.co.nz/national-pest-management-plan/>.

The draft *Track Standards* are currently being reviewed by an independent panel. The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will publicly release these once the review is concluded and the standards finalised. MPI hopes to have this process completed by July 2020. Therefore, this part of your request is refused pursuant to Section 18(d) of the OIA, *as the information requested will soon be publicly available*.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision.

Yours sincerely



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