

OIAD-3057

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Tēnā koe Alan

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 25 May 2023, in which you asked for:

For research purposes, please provide the following information under the provisions of the Official Information Act.

I request the total area (hectares) of Conservation land burnt each year as a result of wildfire in the years 2007/08 through to and including 2014/15.

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982. I regret to inform you that your request is being declined under Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act. The reasons are that the information you have requested does not to our knowledge exist. The information was not comprehensively collected initially by the Department, nor does the Department hold the information that would allow you to answer your question in a meaningful way.

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 Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Department's website.

If you would like to discuss this response with us, please contact Aroha Hughes, National Fire Manager by email to arhughes@doc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

Claire Spencer

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Te Papa Atawhai