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## Dear John Luke

Thank you for your email of 3 November 2023 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"Thank for your recent OIA reply- OIAD-815, I noted the following positions may open to application pending ministerial decision, can you please provide the exact expire date of these positions, also how you have previously call for nominations, which channel you usually use to call for public nominations, e.g. jobs.govt.nz Environmental Legal Assistance Fund Panel - 5 positions Environmental Protection Authority - 5 positions Commissioners for Freshwater Hearings Panel - 14 positions Nominating Committee for the Climate Change Commission Further, I noted, Additionally, the National and Built Environment Act 2023 anticipates the establishment of a number of governance groups. Further calls for nominations are possible, pending Ministerial decisions Can you please specify what sort of governance groups you are referred to here. Please supply any information you have on these possible governance groups."

The table below covers the information requested. Please note that we have provided information on channels previously used to call for nominations.

The channels used for the calls for nominations can vary due to circumstances, requirements or Ministerial decisions.

Governance group	Channels used in the previous call for nominations	Term expiries in 2024
Climate Change Commission	- Appoint Better Boards - LinkedIn - Institute of Directors - Mahi.co.nz - Seek.co.nz	1 position on 8 December 2024
Environmental Legal Assistance Fund Panel	- Resource Management Lawyers Association	5 positions on 30 June 2024
Environmental Protection Authority	- Ministry for the Environment website     - Seek.co.nz     - jobs.govt.nz	3 positions on 30 June 2024 2 positions on 31 August 2024 1 vacancy

Commissioners for Freshwater Hearings Panel	Potential commissioners must be accredited under section 39A of the RMA. The accreditation requirements are set out in the New Zealand Gazette notice 4568 from 25 July 2013. Calls for nominations are addressed at suitable accreditation holders.	14 positions on 31 December 2024
Nominating Committee for the Climate Change Commission	- Ministry for the Environment website - Seek.co.nz - jobs.govt.nz	1 position on 17 May 2024 1 position on 31 July 2024 1 position on 8 December 2024
Te Pou Tupua	There was no public call for nominations. Nominations were sought from the Minister for Māori Development, the Minister of Conservation, the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti, and the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations.	1 position on 25 October 2024
Waste Advisory Board	NZ Herald     Dominion Post     Otago Daily Times     Christchurch Press     gazette notice     Ministry for the Environment website     LinkedIn	2 positions on 17 April 2024

You asked for information on further groups to be established under the Natural and Built Environment Act 2023 (the NBE Act). The information you requested is publicly available online, specifically under sections 66, 73 and 96 of the NBE Act: https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2023/0046/latest/whole.html

We have interpreted your request as referring to information on what type of governance groups are to be established. If you seek any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us again.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at:

www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our <u>OIA responses page</u> shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: <u>ministerials@mfe.govt.nz</u>.

Yours sincerely

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