

29 MAY 2015



Mr T Farrant  
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Dear Mr Farrant

**Official Information Act 1982 Request – Science Report**

Thank you for your request for information received on 19 May 2015. You requested that the Earthquake Commission (EQC) make available to you the following information:

*“The report I am requesting is the one referred to as the “Science Report” in the above text. It is my understanding that the text of which will contain technical information, including an evaluation of the effectiveness of ground improvement methods (including a number of ‘new’ ground improvement options recently presented in the latest update to the MBIE Guidance).”*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982. Your request for the Science Report referred to in Section 15.3.2 of the MBIE Guidance is refused in accordance with section 18(d) of the Official Information Act as this information is soon to be publically available. This information is due to be published on EQC’s website in the beginning of August 2015.

You have the option of approaching the Office of the Ombudsman should you wish. The Ombudsman can be contacted at PO Box 10 152, Wellington 6143, or on Freephone 0800 802 602, or at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz>.

Yours sincerely,



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