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Dear Wendy

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, dated 19 December 2018 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have asked:

“...Please provide me with copies of the material supplied to the Public Health Officer in evidence of compliance with the Guideline”

The following documents fall within the scope of your request and are attached:

Item	Document description	Decision
1	Application for a Permission for the Use of Vertebrate Toxic Agent(s) – Papakai Aerial 1080 Operation 2017	Released in part
2	Application for a Permission for the Use of Vertebrate Toxic Agent(s) – Moehau Aerial 1080 Operation 2017	Released in part

We have released the relevant parts of the documents listed above, subject to information being withheld under one or more of the following sections of the Official Information Act, as applicable:

- Personal information, under section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons,
- Employee and contractor’s details, under section 9(2)(g) –to protect from improper pressure or harassment.

In response to your other queries, this operation was an aerial drop and therefore there were no alternative options on offer. Additionally, the Communications Guideline for 1080 Operations was followed in regard to the operations.

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 Act.

Yours sincerely



David Speirs
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