

Official Information Act Request

Requester's details

Date: 27 September 2021

Name: Wendy Pond

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Reference number: ENQ-42583-L9N3B8

Dear Wendy

Thank you for your request received on 18 September 2021 for the following information:

“Please provide the 2019 Waikato Whenuakite operational report, due from Department of Conservation Hauraki 20 May 2020.”

The report is available on the Environmental Protection Authority's website through the link below:

https://www.epa.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Documents/Hazardous-Substances/1080-reports/1080-Operational-Reports/2019_Waikato_Whenuakite_Report.pdf

I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), as the information requested is publicly available.

You have also asked how to find the report on our website, and why you cannot find the report when you type the name into our website's search bar.

Reports from 1080 aerial operations can be found by following the 'Resources and Publications' tab on the left-hand side of the website, then selecting '1080 aerial operators' reports'. The reports can then be filtered by region and year.

We are looking at improvements to our website including the search function.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. You can contact the Ombudsman on 0800 802 602, or by email at:

info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via:

ministerials@epa.govt.nz

We may publish your request and our response on our website, www.epa.govt.nz. We make OIA responses available so others can read more about the work we do and the questions we are asked. Any information that might identify you will be removed to protect your privacy.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alison K Welch".

Alison Welch
Manager, Government Engagement and Official Correspondence