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By email: fyi-request-19654-9ebc5d49@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Hayden

Information Request – Southland Rural Fire Centre

I refer to your official information request dated 13 June 2022 regarding the former Southland Rural Fire Centre.

The Official Information Act 1982 (**OIA**) requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision, to 26 July 2022. We will respond sooner if we are able to.

The reason for the extension is that, the impact of COVID-19 has meant the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julia McCook-Weir'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Julia McCook-Weir
Manager, Information Requests