

OIA14-202

Ministry for Primary Industries
Manatū Ahu Matua



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Dear Irina Little

EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your official information request as clarified on 9 December requesting a copy of the 1994 Trawl Mortality Report and juvenile trawl mortality data from 1992-1994 and 2010-present.

As per the first part of your request, the 1994 Trawl Mortality Report can be found on the web here:

<http://www.fish.govt.nz/en-nz/Press/1994+Snapper+Mortality+Information.htm>

As per the second part of your request, we will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The extension is necessary because your request necessitates compiling large quantities of information and extensive consultation is necessary to make a decision on this information. An appropriate response cannot reasonably be made within the normal 20 working day time limit.

Accordingly, the Ministry for Primary Industries has decided to extend the time limit for responding to your request pursuant to section 15A of the OIA. The Ministry will reply to the remainder of your request by no later than 20 March—earlier if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit for responding to your request. A request must be made in writing to:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10152
WELLINGTON

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A France'.

Andrew France
Acting Director Fisheries Management