

File ref: LCO-01

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T Bensemen

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Dear T Bensemen

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on Sunday 20 November 2016 for the following:

Please provide information of Native Ruru deaths by 1080 poison and brodificoum/Talon. Please provide time taken to die, dates, places and numbers of Ruru killed by 1080 and Talon. Please also provide copies of field notebook entries relating to stomach contents searches where either of these poisons have been suspected or confirmed to be responsible for Native bird deaths due to DOC and other agencies poisoning operations within New Zealand.

Attached are 2 separate spread sheets that contain the information regarding the first part of your request "Please provide information of Native Ruru deaths by 1080 poison and brodificoum/Talon. Please provide time taken to die, dates, places and numbers of Ruru killed by 1080 and Talon."

Your second request for "...copies of field notebook entries relating to stomach contents searches where either of these poisons have been suspected or confirmed to be responsible for Native bird deaths due to DOC and other agencies poisoning operations within New Zealand...."

cannot be made available without substantial collation or research and therefore is declined [section 18(f) of the Official Information Act refers].

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 Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

Allan Ross, Director Threats

Science and Policy

for Director-General