



## Office of Hon Simon Bridges

MP for Tauranga  
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Mr Alex Harris  
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Dear Mr Harris

I refer to your request for information received in this office on 3 May 2013. Under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) you requested:

*all advice and communications received on the proposed mining protest ban. I am particularly interested in finding out where this idea came from, so I am seeking not just communications from within government, but particularly those from outside government at the beginning of the policy process*

Under section 15A of the Act, we are extending the period for responding to your request by 5 working days to **10 June 2013**. This is due to the large quantity of information to be searched through and the consultation that must occur.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to complain to the Ombudsman about this decision.

Yours sincerely

Judy Cunningham  
**Senior Private Secretary**