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John Homer

By email: fyi-request-9526-dd241dcc@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear John

Information Request – Pigeon Valley, Nelson - F2704034 - types of aircraft used and how much the whole incident cost

I am writing in relation to your information request dated 6 February 2019 asking for the following information in relation to the fire at Pigeon Valley, Nelson:

• full incident report for F2704034, the types of aircraft used and how much the whole incident cost.

As you will appreciate, it may take some time for the paperwork to be finalised and the true costs of the fire to be established. Once the fire is extinguished, Fire and Emergency is planning to proactively publish information about the fire on our website, as it becomes available. It is anticipated that the information you have requested above will be the type of information we release.

Your request has therefore been assessed in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and a decision made to withhold the information you have asked for under section 18(d) of the OIA as the information will soon be publicly available.

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

Bella Sutherland

Director, Office of the Chief Executive