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Government

Environment, Planning and
Sustainable Development

Phone: 6207 1923
Reference: 22/90224

Email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of information request: 22/90224

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act) received by the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) on 11 July 2022, in which you sought access to information relating to the Presentation on Western Edge Investigations.

The scope of your application was seeking:

"...a copy of Attachment A to Ministerial Brief (No 21/146233) to Minister Mick Gentleman, titled "Presentation on Western Edge Investigations and Project Phases".

"...a copy of Minister's Talking Points about Western Edge Investigations as requested by Dr Erin Brady on the 9th of May 2022 of Steven Gianakis and Karen Wright in relation to Western Edge Investigation."

I am an Information Officer appointed under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

EPSDD is required to provide a decision on your access application in accordance with section 41 of the Act, by 20 August 2022. Thank you for your patience with this matter.

Searches conducted

Comprehensive searches were conducted by the EPSDD for documents relevant to your application.

Decision on Access

Two documents were located that fall within the scope of your request.

I have included as **Attachment A** to this decision the schedule of documents relevant to the scope of your request. The schedule provides a description of each document and the access to these documents.

I have decided to grant access in full, to both documents relevant to the scope of your request. The documents released to you are provided at **Attachment B** to this letter.

Online publication

Under section 28 of the Act, EPSDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Under the Open Access Information Scheme, documents associated with access applications are published on the disclosure log no earlier than three days after a decision on access is provided to the applicant.

You may view the EPSDD's disclosure log at:

<http://www.environment.act.gov.au/about/access-government-information/disclosure-log>.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in the disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman. For more information and the application form for Ombudsman review, please visit:

https://www.ombudsman.act.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0026/79190/Apply-for-Ombudsman-review.pdf

Alternatively, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Level 4, 1 Moore St
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Further information

If you have any queries concerning the Directorate's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact EPSDD Customer Service on (02) 6207 1923 and ask for the FOI team, or email to EPSDFOI@act.gov.au

Yours sincerely,



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Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD)
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