



Department of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai

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25 September 2019

T Benseman
Via *FYI.org.nz*

Dear Mr Benseman

Our consideration of your request

We refer to the Official Information Act request you submitted to the Department of Conservation on 12 September 2019.

Owing to the nature and tone of your email, we consider that there are grounds to believe that the request you have made is vexatious.

In saying that we also note that information previously provided to you by DOC under the Official Information Act 1982 (including images and scientific data concerning the use of 1080 and other toxins) has subsequently been edited and republished. This has been conducted in a manner that misrepresents the scientific evidence and facts around the use of 1080 in predator control programmes in New Zealand.

Given the factors cited above, we have decided to refuse your request under section 18(h) of the Act.

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.

If you wish to discuss this with the Department, please contact us on replies@doc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amber Bill'.

Amber Bill
Director Threats - Biodiversity
for Director-General