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Tēnā koe Stephen

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 26 March 2024, in which you asked for:

*'advice given to the Minister on the role of the decision maker and the options for delegation generally, and specifically in the Turoa Concession Application.'*

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act (OIA)1982.

Under section 15(1)(a) of the Official Information Act, I have decided to grant your request. However, more time is required to prepare the response for release. We expect to be able to provide you with the final documentation no later than 1 May 2024. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

For your reference, some information will be withheld under section 9 of the Official Information Act as applicable.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

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.

Nāku noa, nā



Stacey Wrenn  
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*Te Papa Atawhai*