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Tēnā koe s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 12 June 2020 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I would like data about the amount of plastic waste stored in the different NZ stockpiles over time from 1970 – now. Could you provide this, or the appropriate source/dataset to find it.

The Ministry for the Environment does not hold the data you are requesting on the amount of plastic stored in different stockpiles. Therefore, we are refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act. We advise you to contact local councils to ask whether they have this information through local land use consents.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Executive Relations team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Please contact my office if you have any queries about this response.

Nāku noa, nā



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