



OIAD-1146

9(2)(a)

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Thank you for your request, which was transferred to the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) on 2 July 2024, seeking the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*2. Copies of any information, advice or reports from 2024 or 2023 about emissions from peat soils, including research into reducing them.*

The Ministry has identified four documents in scope of your request, as listed in the attached document schedule.

The Ministry is releasing two documents in full, and two documents in part. Some information within these documents has been redacted as out of scope of the request, and withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials
- 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

Please note that some statements and information (highlighted green on pages 7, 8, and 10) within the document '*Wetlands and native afforestation slides for CC DCEs - Final to DCEs 15 Nov*' are no longer correct as we have updated data. You may wish to submit a further request for this updated data.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry 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 Ministerial Services team: [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz).

Nāku noa, nā

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### Document schedule

Document no.	Document date	Content	Decisions	OIA sections applied
1	July 2024	<i>'LC4489_A strategy for improving emissions estimates from peaty-mineral soils in the national greenhouse gas inventory (M2C) CORRECTION'</i>	Released in part	9(2)(a)
2	N/A	<i>'Attribute background information on subsidence of drained peatland'</i>	Released in full	N/A
3	15 November 2023	<i>'Wetlands and native afforestation slides for CC DCEs - Final to DCEs 15 Nov'</i>	Released in part	Out of scope information redacted & 9(2)(f)(iv) & 9(2)(g)(i)
4	25 January 2024	<i>'FINAL Wetland carbon abatement_ technical note 25 January 2024'</i>	Released in full	N/A