



17 October 2024

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Dear 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 19 September 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Can I please request any advice (including briefings, memos, aide memoires) that was prepared for the Minister or officials who attended the 8 August meeting on permanent forests with Hon McClay and Hon Penk.

The Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) does not hold any information in-scope of your request. Therefore, the Ministry is refusing your request in full under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as the information requested is not held by the Ministry, and we have no grounds to believe it is held by any other agency.

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 Ministerial Services team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

Electronically approved by Kate Whitwell

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