



9 January 2025

OIAD-1405

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Dear 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 27 November 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please provide copies of reports, memos, correspondence or minutes of meetings from

- Ministry for the Environment correspondence to/from Central Government regarding Tarras / Central Otago Airport project from 1 Jan 2024 to the present,*
- Ministry for the Environment correspondence to/from Christchurch airport or any consultants working for them regarding Tarras / Central Otago Airport project from 1 Jan 2024 to the present, and*
- Ministry for the Environment internal reports or communications or rulings etc about the Tarras / Central Otago Airport project since Oct 2024*

No information in scope of your request is held. Therefore, the Ministry for the Environment (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 Macaela Flanagan

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