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Tēnā koe Wendy

Thank you for your email of 17 December 2025 to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- 1. Could you provide updated versions of Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 (originally supplied in your response to OIA 2024/02 on 11 April 2024), or advise where these updated documents can be accessed? For reference, the McGuinness Institute maintains a record of OIAs sent and received, including the appendices, at the link here.*
- 2. When are the 2022/23, 2023/24, and 2024/25 Wildfire Season Updates scheduled for publication? Please provide links to these documents once available.*
- 3. Are there any other recent reports that we should be aware of? Additionally, are there any reports currently in development that are expected to be published in the coming months? Please provide details.*
- 4. Has any progress been made on assessing the annual economic costs associated with wildfires?*
- 5. Has any progress been made on estimating the annual emissions released from wildfires in New Zealand? Please explain. We would also welcome any records or information you hold on international practices or methodologies relevant to these measures. Note: We are keen to see wildfire related carbon emissions reported on a country by country basis at COP, and for wildfire emissions to be incorporated into the reporting requirements under the Paris Agreement.*

This letter is to advise that Fire and Emergency needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 10 working days, under section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to

make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

For this reason, you can expect to receive our response no later than 20 February 2026. We will endeavour to respond sooner than this date if possible. If you no longer require this information, please let us know.

You have the right to request an investigation and review of Fire and Emergency's decision to extend the timeframe by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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