

16 June 2022

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Re: Official Information Request – 2018 Hunua 1080 Drop - Auckland DHB Ref: 20220530-1238

I refer to your official information request dated 30 May 2022, transferred to the Auckland District Health Board on 31 May 2022 by the Ministry of Health and received by the Auckland Regional Public Health Service on 2 June 2022 seeking the following information:

Can you please provide the "sign off" document from the Auckland Medical Officer of Health to Auckland Council or DOC which preceded and allowed the 1080 poison operation in the Hunua ranges in 2018, including any conditions set by the Medical Officer of Health in relation to this dispersal of poison.

Response

I am responding from the Auckland District Health Board as the DHB responsible for Auckland Regional Public Health Service (ARPHS). ARPHS provides public health services to all three metro Auckland District Health Boards – Waitematā District Health Board, Counties Manukau Health and Auckland District Health Board and the populations they serve. ARPHS' core role is to protect and promote public health.

The document 'Permission for use of vertebrae toxic agent(s) and other hazardous substance(s). Approved Hazardous Substance Permission Form Version 5: 14 June 2018, is attached to this correspondence as Attachment 1 OIA 128 T. Gyde 1080 Drop. Redactions have been made to the document under section 9(2)(g)(ii) of the Official Information Act, to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs.

I trust this information answers your questions.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602. Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Chief Executive

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1. *Attachment 1 OIA 128 T. Gyde 1080 Drop*