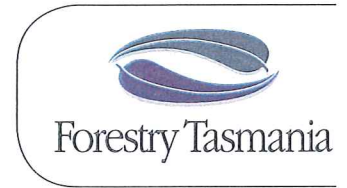


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3 June 2010

Mr Maxwell Plummer

Dear Mr Plummer

**Freedom of Information (FOI) Request – FOI10/05**

I refer to your request dated 3 May 2010 under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*, in which you made the following request:

*“Please supply all information in relation to what type of trees are growing in the water catchment areas which supply Ben Lomond water which supplies the city of Launceston and surrounding municipalities. Are they the same type that are growing in the St Helens catchment. Are you still aerial spraying in both places if yes state where which chemical is being used”*

In response to your FOI application I asked Forestry Tasmania’s Bass District Forest Manager, Peter Bird to contact you to discuss your request further. I understand Mr Bird offered to meet with you to discuss and clarify your questions and seek to provide appropriate information, but that you declined that offer.

As advised by Mr Bird on 28 May 2010, Forestry Tasmania does not hold any documents specifically relating to your request, and I am therefore unable to assist you further in that regard. I have enclosed a copy of our most recent Stewardship Report 2008-09, which provides general information regarding our forests, and the use of chemicals (see page 38 and the data tables in Appendix 2). Should you wish to find out more, I would encourage you to contact Mr Bird who can further assist.

You are entitled to request a review of this decision under Section 22 of the Act and you have 28 days within the receipt of this notice to do so. It is deemed that you would have received this notice on the fifth day after it was posted.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Hans Drielsma".

**Hans Drielsma  
Executive General Manager  
Designated FOI Officer**

