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Official Information Act request: Hunting and Fishing portfolio

Thank you for your Official Information Act (the Act) request received on 25 October 2024. You requested:

Under the OIA I request all information on the Ministerial delegations relating to Todd McClay in relation to the Hunting and Fishing portfolio.

Response to your request

Delegations of ministerial responsibility refer to the arrangements whereby a “portfolio” or “principal” Minister delegates responsibility for certain areas to an Associate Minister appointed to assist the portfolio Minister.

Hon McClay is the Minister for Hunting and Fishing. There is no Associate Minister for this portfolio. As such no delegations relating to Hunting and Fishing exist. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act on the basis the information does not exist.

It may be that you are not seeking information about delegations, but rather the scope of the primary ministerial responsibility held by Hon McClay as it relates to the Hunting and Fishing portfolio. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) website provides description of each ministerial portfolio. The scope of the Hunting and Fishing is described as follows:

Responsibilities include matters relating to recreational and commercial hunting of deer, tahr, chamois, and feral pigs on public conservation land; freshwater sports fishing; game bird hunting; sports fish and game management; herds of special interest; aerially-assisted trophy hunting and wild animal recovery operations; and matters relating to recreational and commercial firearm safety and use on public conservation land where these are covered by conservation legislation.

Further information about the scope of this portfolio is available on the DPMC website at the following address: <https://www.dPMC.govt.nz/cabinet/portfolios/hunting-and-fishing>. You may also wish to view the information about this portfolio on the Department of Conservation (DOC) website. For example see the following link to DOC’s briefing to Hon McClay as the incoming Minister for Hunting and Fishing in November

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2023: <https://www.doc.govt.nz/globalassets/documents/about-doc/role/publications/bim-2023/bim-hunting-and-fishing-november-2023.pdf>

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on DPMC's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Nāku noa, nā



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Secretary of the Cabinet