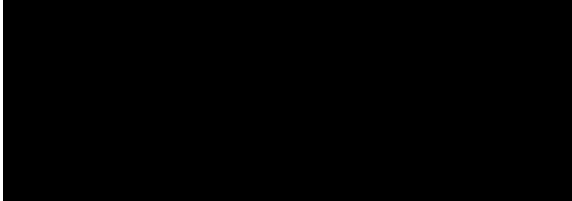




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23 February 2018



Thank you for your Official Information Act request to the Department of Conservation, dated 29 January 2018. You requested the following:

“Hi, please send copies of all information gathered relating to the dead kiwi found in the central north island area near Tongariro between 1-6-17 and 20-1-18 where evidence of predation was not present.”

Between these dates there was one known kiwi death, which was the result of a handling error following the fitting of a tracking transmitter to a very young bird.

The following documents fall within the scope of your request and are attached:

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	January 2018	Reassessment of Kiwi Handling Protocol with Tongariro District Kiwi	Released in part some info withheld s9(2)(a)
2	10 January 2018	Email: Actions resulting from kiwi death	Released in part some info withheld s9(2)(a) and some info withheld as out of scope.

Some information is not listed above and has been withheld in full under s9(2)(a) as it relates directly to a staff management issue.

I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed above, subject to information being withheld under one or more of the following sections of the Official Information Act, as applicable:

- personal contact details of officials, under section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people, and

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely,



Allan Munn
Director Operations
Central North Island