



ACT
Government

Transport Canberra and
City Services



Dear 

Freedom of information request-

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the FOI Act) received on 4 May 2017, in which you sought access to documents:

- containing the advice relied upon by the Capital Metro Agency in selecting *Eucalyptus mannifera* as the preferred species for the Northbourne Avenue corridor. Including advice provide by Norcue PTY LTD and Stuart Pittendrigh, as well as the Arup-Hassell Design Report Tree Section Process report dated 14 April 2015.

Decision maker

I am an officer authorised under section 22 of the Act to make a decision in relation to an FOI request.

Decision on access

The directorate has located one document falling within the scope of your request. Transport Canberra and City Services (former Capital Metro Agency) has already released the document under FOI to another applicant. It appears that it is no longer on the Open Government website. I have therefore decided to release to you the previously released documents inclusive of redactions. These redactions relate to personal information.

Online release

Information released to a person under the Freedom of Information Act is subject to the ACT Government's Online FOI Publication Policy. This policy promotes the public release of information held by government via the open government website. In this case, I have decided to publish the documents on the website with the exempted material removed.

Fees and charges

Freedom of information requests attract fees and charges for time spent searching and retrieving documents, decision-making time and photocopying. In relation to your request, no fee is payable as the time spent processing your request, and the number of documents released were within the fee-free threshold.

Right of review

If you are dissatisfied with my decision, you have the right to seek an internal review. If you wish to seek an internal review you should write to:

The Director-General
Transport Canberra and City Services
C/- Freedom of Information Officer
GPO Box 158
CANBERRA ACT 2601

You have 28 days from the date of the decision letter to seek a review of the outcome or such other period as the Director-General permits.

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal

If you are still dissatisfied after the directorate has conducted an internal review, you can seek an independent review of the decision by the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal. You have 28 days from the date of the internal review decision to seek a review from the Tribunal.

The Tribunal is an independent body. It can agree with, change or reject the original decision, substitute its own decision or send the matter back to the decision maker for reconsideration in accordance with Tribunal recommendations. To apply to the Tribunal for a review you can obtain an application form at www.acat.act.gov.au.

Ombudsman

You also have the right to contact the Ombudsman regarding the processing of your request. You may contact the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Further information

If you have any questions in relation to your request please contact the Directorate's FOI Coordinator on 6205 5408 or tccs.foi@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Cherie Hughes
Chief Operating Officer

1 June 2017