

**Schedule of responses to McGuinness Institute’s OIA 2024/13 (follow up):**

This schedule contains non-confidential responses received by each government department in response to the follow up to our OIA 2024/13. Sensitive information has been redacted.

As at 20 November 2024, two responses to our follow up OIA have not been received. The table below will be updated as these are received by the Institute.

<b>Number</b>	<b>Received from</b>	<b>Date received</b>	<b>Reference</b>
1	Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment (MBIE)	–	–
2	Ministry for the Environment (MfE)	18/11/24	OIAD-1342
3	Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade (MFAT)	–	–
4	Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)	19/11/24	OIA24-0789



18 November 2024

Wendy McGuinness and Patrick Shonakan  
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Dear Wendy and Patrick

Thank you for your email of 23 October 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) from the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry):

- Confirmation that the Cabinet paper “Proposals for the Environmental Authority” on the Ministry’s website is the same paper that is referenced in CAB Min (10) 19/9 on the website, on account of the fact that the two documents reference different Cabinet committees.
- The following Cabinet minutes:
  - EGI-16-MIN-0053
  - CBC-16-MIN-0004
  - CAB-16-MIN-0355
  - EGI-16-MIN-0182
  - CAB-16-MIN-0395
  - ENV-18-MIN-0011
  - CAB-18-MIN-0218
  - LEG-23-MIN-0018
  - CAB-23-MIN-0091

### **Cabinet Paper “Proposals for the Environmental Authority”**

The two documents in Columns D and E in Row 14 of your spreadsheet are for the same Cabinet paper. This paper was considered by two different Cabinet committees before it was considered by Cabinet, which is the reason for the different committee references. The schedule was as follows:

- The Cabinet Economic and Growth Infrastructure considered the paper “Proposals for the Environmental Authority”. The Cabinet reference for the Minute is *EGI Min (10) 9/3*.
- The Cabinet Business Committee (CBC) considered the paper “Proposals for the Environmental Authority”. The Cabinet reference for the Minute is *CBC Min (10) 6/4*. Note that we previously provided you with the incorrect reference number for your spreadsheet, as the Cabinet minute linked in Column E has a typo that got copied across (6/5 was used instead of 6/4).
- On 31 May 2010, Cabinet gave final consideration to the paper “Proposals for the Environmental Authority”. The Cabinet reference is *CAB Min (10) 19/9*.

## Cabinet minutes

You have requested nine Cabinet committee and Cabinet minutes from the Ministry, which are outlined in the Document Schedule below.

Five of these papers are owned by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) as they relate to the Paris Agreement. This information is outlined in the document schedule below.

I am releasing three papers to you in part. I have redacted reference to Cabinet papers from other government departments in these documents as out of scope.

I am releasing the remaining six papers to you in full.

I note that in Column 14 of your spreadsheet, you have a reference number for a Cabinet Summary paper rather than a Cabinet Minute. You may wish to amend this to read *EGI-16-MIN-0053* as this is the Cabinet Minute reference.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decisions relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



Manager – Ministerial Services  
Ministry for the Environment | Manatū Mō Te Taiao

### Document schedule

#	Title	Lead agency	Decision
1	EGI-16-MIN-0053	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Released in full
2	CBC-16-MIN-0004	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Released in full
3	CAB-16-MIN-0355	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Released in part
4	EGI-16-MIN-0182	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Released in full
5	CAB-16-MIN-0395	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Released in full
6	ENV-18-MIN-0011	Ministry for the Environment	Released in full
7	CAB-18-MIN-0218	Ministry for the Environment	Released in part
8	LEG-23-MIN-0018	Ministry for the Environment	Released in full
9	CAB-23-MIN-0091	Ministry for the Environment	Released in part



OIA24-0789

19 November 2024

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Dear Wendy McGuinness

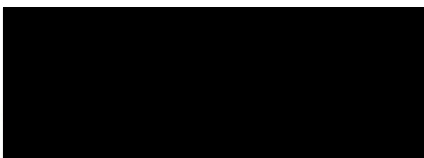
Thank you for your email of 23 October 2024 requesting information relating to Cabinet Minutes on Climate Change. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You asked the Ministry for Primary Industries to provide you with the titles of four Cabinet Minutes that were missed from our original response. The attached table has been updated with their details.

We can confirm that the four Cabinet Minutes were not published when their related Cabinet Papers were proactively released. We are now working towards their publication.

Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at [Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz). Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



**Director Government Services**

Cabinet Committee and Cabinet Minute Reference	Date paper was considered at Cabinet/Committee	McGuinness Insitute Comment	Title of paper and link	Title of Minute and link	Government Department	Date paper was released to the public (published on department's website/released via OIA)	Cabinet committee	High level Topic	Refers to NDCs? (searched 'INDC'; 'NDC'; 'Nationally'; or 'Paris')
DEV-18-MIN-0379 CAB-18-MIN-0379.01	Committee: 8 August 2018 Cabinet: 13 August 2018	–	<a href="#">One Billion Trees Programme</a>	<a href="#">One Billion Trees Programme</a>	MPI	1 October 2018	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Emissions	No
DEV-19-MIN-0239 CAB-19-MIN-0470	Committee: 11 September 2019 Cabinet: 16 September 2019	–	<a href="#">Approval of a Government Strategy for Aquaculture</a>	<a href="#">Approval of a Government Strategy for Aquaculture</a>	MPI	29 October 2019	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Aquaculture	No
ENV-19-MIN-0052 CAB-19-MIN-0502	Committee: 25 September 2019 Cabinet: 30 September 2019	–	<a href="#">Preparing the forest system for the future</a>	<a href="#">Preparing the Forest System for the Future</a>	MPI	22 November 2019	Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee	Forestry	No
DEV-21-MIN-0041 CAB-21-MIN-0084	Committee: 24 March 2021 Cabinet: 29 March 2021	–	<a href="#">Proposals to strengthen regulatory oversight of inhibitors used in agriculture</a>	<a href="#">Inhibitors Used in Agriculture: Proposals to Strengthen Regulatory Oversight</a>	MPI	24 March 2021	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Emissions	No
DEV-21-MIN-0053 CAB-21-MIN-0084.01	Committee: 24 March 2021 Cabinet: 29 March 2021	–	<a href="#">Reprioritisation of remaining 1 Billion Trees Fund</a>	<a href="#">Reprioritisation of remaining 1 Billion Trees Fund</a>	MPI	29 July 2021	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Forestry	Yes
ENV-21-MIN-0031 CAB-21-MIN-0225	Committee: 10 June 2021 Cabinet: 14 June 2021	–	<a href="#">Oceans and Fisheries portfolio – ensuring healthy ocean ecosystems (Paper 1 of 7)</a>	<a href="#">Oceans and Fisheries Portfolio: Ensuring Healthy Ocean Ecosystems</a>	MPI	2 July 2021	Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee	Marine	No
CBC-21-MIN-0094 CAB-21-MIN-0366	Committee: 8 August 2021 Cabinet: 13 September 2021	–	<a href="#">New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS): Final policy decisions on regulations for forestry</a>	<a href="#">New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS): Final Forestry Policy Decisions</a>	MPI	1 November 2021	Cabinet Business Committee	Forestry	Yes
DEV-22-MIN-0059 CAB-22-MIN-0105	Committee: 30 March 2022 Cabinet: 4 April 2022	–	<a href="#">Agriculture initiatives for inclusion in the final Emissions Reduction Plan</a>	<a href="#">Agriculture initiatives for inclusion in the final Emissions Reduction Plan</a>	MPI	23 August 2022	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Emissions	No
CAB-22-MIN-0215	Cabinet: 7 June 2022	Paper was only heard by Cabinet	<a href="#">Release of He Waka Eke Noa – Primary Sector Climate Action Plan Partnership Final Recommendation Report</a>	<a href="#">Release of He Waka Eke Noa – Primary Sector Climate Action Plan Partnership Final Recommendation Report</a>	MPI	11 January 2023	Cabinet	Emissions	No
DEV-22-MIN-0211 CAB-22-MIN-0390.01	Committee: 14 September 2022 Cabinet: 19 September 2022	–	<a href="#">Next steps on the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme's permanent forest category</a>	<a href="#">New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme: Next Steps on the Permanent Forest Category</a>	MPI	1 November 2022	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Forestry	Yes
ENV-22-MIN-0054 CAB-22-MIN-0539	Committee: 23 November 2022 Cabinet: 28 November 2022	–	<a href="#">Report back on the Centre for Climate Action on Agricultural Emissions, investigation into an Early Adopters Fund and investigation to reduce emissions on Pāmu farms</a>	<a href="#">Emissions Reduction Plan Agriculture Chapter: Progress update</a>	MPI	24 February 2023	Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee	Emissions	Yes
LEG-22-MIN-0215 CAB-22-MIN-0536	Committee: 24 November 2022 Cabinet: 28 November 2022	–	<a href="#">Climate Change Response (Late Payment Penalties and Industrial Allocation) Amendment Bill - Approval for Introduction</a>	<a href="#">Climate Change Response (Late Payment Penalties and Industrial Allocation) Amendment Bill - Approval for Introduction</a>	MfE & MPI	16 March 2023	Cabinet Legislation Committee	Emissions	No
LEG-22-MIN-0223 CAB-22-MIN-0570	Committee: 8 December 2022 Cabinet: 12 December 2022	–	<a href="#">Tranche One changes to cost recovery settings in the forestry component of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme</a>	<a href="#">Tranche One changes to cost recovery settings in the forestry component of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme</a>	MPI	29 March 2023	Cabinet Legislation Committee	Forestry	No
DEV-22-MIN-0313 CAB-22-MIN-0587	Committee: 14 December 2022 Cabinet: 19 December 2022	–	<a href="#">Approval to Consult on Proposed Changes to Cargo Biosecurity Cost Recovery Rates</a>	<a href="#">Proposed Changes to Cargo Biosecurity Cost Recovery Rates: Release of Consultation Document</a>	MPI	6 July 2023	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Biosecurity	No
LEG-23-MIN-0065 CAB-23-MIN-0183	Committee: 18 May 2023 Cabinet: 22 May 2023	–	<a href="#">Changes to Cargo Biosecurity Cost Recovery Settings</a>	<a href="#">Changes to Cargo Biosecurity Cost Recovery Settings</a>	MPI	18 September 2023	Cabinet Legislation Committee	Biosecurity	No
CAB-23-MIN-0216	Cabinet: 6 June 2023	Paper was only heard by Cabinet	<a href="#">Approval to make the Order in Council: Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Climate Change—Forestry) Order 2023</a>	<a href="#">Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Climate Change—Forestry) Order 2023</a>	MPI	7 March 2024	Cabinet	Forestry	No
DEV-23-MIN-0144 CAB-23-MIN-0325	Committee: 19 July 2023 Cabinet: 24 July 2023	–	<a href="#">Tranche Two Changes to Cost Recovery Settings in the Forestry Component of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme</a>	<a href="#">Tranche Two Changes to Cost Recovery Settings in the Forestry Component of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme</a>	MPI	4 October 2023	Cabinet Economic Development Committee	Forestry	Yes
EWR-23-MIN-0053 CAB-23-MIN-0314	Committee: 19 July 2023 Cabinet: 24 July 2023	–	<a href="#">Permission to consult on Proposed Order in Council under the Severe Weather Emergency Recovery Legislation Act 2023: Change to forestry in the Emissions Trading Scheme</a>	<a href="#">Change to Forestry in the Emissions Trading Scheme: Proposed Order in Council under the Severe Weather Emergency Recovery Legislation Act 2023</a>	MPI	16 November 2023	Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee	Forestry	Yes
LEG-23-SUB-0191 CAB-23-MIN-0418	Committee: 31 August 2023 Cabinet: 4 September 2023	–	<a href="#">Approval to make the Order in Council: Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Climate Change—Forestry) Order (No 2) 2023</a>	<a href="#">Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Climate Change - Forestry) Order (No 2) 2023</a>	MPI	7 March 2024	Cabinet Legislation Committee	Forestry	No
CBC-23-MIN-0019 CAB-23-MIN-0445	Committee: 18 September 2023 Cabinet: 2 October 2023	–	<a href="#">Proposed Changes to Dairy Export Quota Allocation</a>	<a href="#">Proposed Changes to Dairy Export Quota Allocation</a>	MPI	6 November 2023	Cabinet Business Committee	Agriculture	No
LEG-23-MIN-0200 CAB-23-MIN-0447	Committee: 18 September 2023 Cabinet: 2 October 2023	–	<a href="#">Climate Change (Forestry) Amendment Regulations 2023</a>	<a href="#">Climate Change (Forestry) Amendment Regulations 2023</a>	MPI	4 October 2023	Cabinet Legislation Committee	Forestry	No