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Tēnā koe

Thank you for your email of 23 March 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following:

• Am I able to please obtain the largest fire by year, for the last 25 years? Primarily fires that have occurred on vegetation (Forestry and farmlands)

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and our response is below.

Thank you for your correspondence with us on 15 April where you confirmed that you still want to receive this information. As noted, we are unable to confirm the accuracy of the data without checking records for each individual fire.

Please find attached, as **Appendix 1** to this response, a list of the largest vegetation fire by area burnt for each calendar year for the last 25 years, according to our incident database.

We also advised that we could send you the area burnt for the three largest fires, by hectares burnt, from the 2014/2015 financial year until the 2022/2023 financial year. Please find attached a document containing this information, as **Appendix 2** to this response.

We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz.

Please note that because of the identified public interest in the information that you have requested, we intend to publish this response (with your personal details removed) on our website.

Nāku noa, nā

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