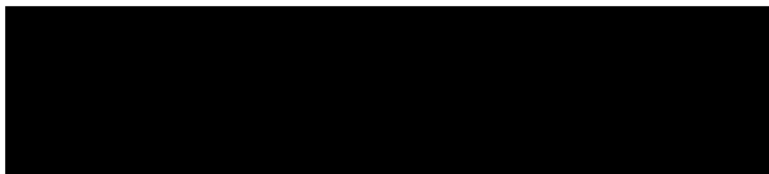




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Tēnā koe

Information Request – Southern fire data 2022

I refer to your official information request dated 12 May 2023 asking for the number of fires in the Te Kei region in the 2022 calendar year, broken down by the following categories:

- Structure
- Vegetation
- Chemical
- Other fires
- Any incidents across the region that involved tyres

In accordance with the provisions of the Official Information Act (OIA), please find enclosed the data on all fire related incidents in the Te Kei region (Southland and Otago) between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please also find enclosed a list of incidents that have the word 'tyre' in the comment section of the report for that incident. Please note, as we do not have an incident record category for tyre fires, we have searched the free text field of SMS incident reports for the word tyre. While we have identified incidents where tyres are involved, we are unable to confirm the data provided to you is the total number of fires where tyres were a contributing or causative factor.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa nā

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