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Ref: FI/03/4164

Mr Jason Cichocki

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Dear Mr Cichocki

# Freedom of Information Act 1982 – Notice of Decision Re: Permit to cull kangaroos

I refer to your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act), dated 28 July 2016, seeking access to:

"...a copy of the permit issued to cull kangaroos at 200 Bones Road, Bellbrae, Victoria 3228."

I am an officer authorised under section 26 of the FOI Act to make decisions in relation to FOI requests.

#### **Document Searches**

After a thorough, diligent and complete search by the department's Barwon South-West division, six pages of documents were located.

#### Decision

I have assessed the relevant documents and determined that they can be released to you in part. Material has been deleted on the grounds of section 33(1) of the FOI Act.

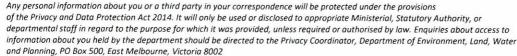
#### Section 33(1) – Personal affairs

A document is an exempt document if its disclosure under the FOI Act would involve unreasonable disclosure of information relating to the personal affairs of any person. Personal affairs includes information from which a person's identity, address or location could reasonably be determined.

In making my decision to exempt material under section 33 of the FOI Act, I have considered all factors relevant to your request, including:

- the statutory consequences of release, that is, there being no restrictions or limits on the dissemination of the information.
- the likelihood that disclosure would cause distress or anxiety to individuals it relates to.
- whether the public interest would be promoted by releasing the personal information.







Disclosure would be unreasonable in the circumstances given the nature of the information and the context in which the documents were created and the information was collected.

#### **Review Rights of Third Parties**

Some of the documents for release contain personal information. I have determined that the release of this information is reasonable. Where a decision is made to disclose information that may affect the personal affairs of an individual, section 33(3) of the FOI Act requires that the affected third parties be advised of the decision to release information relating to their personal affairs and be provided with 60 days in which to appeal the decision to VCAT. If no appeals are lodged, the documents will be sent to you at the expiry of the 60 days.

#### **Review rights**

If you are not satisfied with my decision you have the right to request a review from the Freedom of Information Commissioner by writing to:

Office of the Freedom of Information Commissioner PO Box 24274 MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Email: enquiries@foicommissioner.vic.gov.au

You have 28 days from the date you receive this letter to submit your request for review.

### **Access charges**

Your request has accrued access charges of:

Type of charge	Rate	Quantity	Amount
Search time	\$20.90 per hour	1 hour	\$20.90
Photocopying charges	20c per b&w A4 page	six pages	\$1.20
Amount due			\$22.10

When your payment of \$22.10 has been received and the 60 day appeal period for third parties has passed, the documents will be released to you. A payment form is enclosed. Please either complete the form and return it to the department or forward the receipt number to me at the address above or email to <a href="mailto:foi.unit@delwp.vic.gov.au">foi.unit@delwp.vic.gov.au</a>.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact me on (03) 9637 8019

Yours sincerely

**Natalie Cutajar** 

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Freedom of Information Officer

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