FOI reference number: 21-020

Mr John Smith

Via Right to Know: foi+request-6561-3df67b59@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Mr Smith

Decision made under the Freedom of Information Act 1982

I refer to your request to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications (the Department) received via the Right to Know website on 1 August 2020, for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act).

Your request sought access to:

A document that contains a list of all the position/job titles of every non-APS contractor working within your department. e.g. a position title may be: 'security guard', or 'consultant', or 'APS3 FOI officer', etc.

You may omit repeating a position title when there exist multiple contractors who have that position title. Additionally, if it would not be too onerous, please indicate the number of contractors that hold each position title.

If no such document exists please produce a document containing the information under s17.

Authority

I, Carol Cote, Assistant Secretary, Finance Branch, am an officer authorised by the Secretary to make decisions about access to documents in the possession of the department in accordance with s 23(1) of the FOI Act.

Decision

I have made a decision to release the information the Department holds, relevant to your request in full.

Documents subject to this request

The term "non-APS contractor" is a very broad term that covers numerous different types of arrangements. I am of the view that it is not reasonably possible to provide an exhaustive list as per your request.

The Department has been able to compile a list of labour hire contracts. Labour Hire has been defined as:

Contractors engaged by the Department through a labour hire agency.

Records held by the Department indicate that the department had engaged 151 labour hire positions as at 30 June 2020. The breakdown of these labour hire positions, by position title, is attached at **Schedule 1**.

Publication of information in the FOI disclosure log

Section 11C of the FOI Act requires publication of released documents on the Department's online FOI disclosure log, subject to certain exceptions, including where publication of personal, business, professional or commercial information would be unreasonable. I have decided that the document released will be published on the disclosure log.

Your rights of review

If you wish to seek an internal review, you must apply to the Department within **30 days** after the day you are notified of this decision. An application for internal review must be made in writing by post to the FOI Officer or email to FOI@infrastructure.gov.au.

Alternatively, you may apply directly to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) to review my decision. An application for review by the Information Commissioner must be made in writing within **60 days** after the day you are notified of this decision. You can also make a complaint to the Information Commissioner if you have concerns about how the Department handled your request. You can find information about requesting a review, making a complaint, and other information about FOI on the OAIC website www.oaic.gov.au or phone the OAIC on 1300 363 992.

Contacts

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact the Department's FOI Coordinator on (02) 6274 7393 or via email at FOI@infrastructure.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Carol Cote

Assistant Secretary

24 August 2020

Finance Branch



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Position Title	Number of Labour Hire contracts as at 30 June 2020
Accountant	2
Accounts Receivable Team Leader	1
Administrative Officer	10
Airport Environment Officer	1
Airports Regulation and Administration Officer	1
Assistant Business Manager	1
Assistant Director	16
Client Services and Cables Officer	1
Communication and Media Officer	1
Communications Officer	1
Communications Specialist	1
Economist	1
Engineer/Technical Officer	1
Executive Assistant	4
Executive Officer	1
Finance and Budgets Officer	4
Grants Officer	11
Graphic Designer	1
Policy Officer	16
Policy Support	1
Policy/ Legislation Officer	1
Procurement Advisor	٠, ١ 2
Program Officer	1



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Program Support Officer	1
Project Officer	5
Recall reform support officer	1
Regional Liaison Officer	1
Secretariat and Program Administration	1
Senior Policy Officer	3
Senior Program Officer	3
Senior Project Director	1
Service Centre team member	2
Specialist Project & Program Management	2
Stakeholder Engagement Officer	1
Strategic communications manager	2
Team Member	10
Technical Officer	3
Workers' Compensation (subject matter expert)	1
ICT	34
Total	151