



## Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions

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Dear Ms Goodman

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION - NOTICE OF DECISION – REF: 8662**

I refer to your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) received by way of email on 16 November 2022 by the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions seeking access to:

*“Under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Vic), I request that I be granted access to the following information:*

*a) 2017 - 2022 - A list of all instances, Australia-wide, state by state, of rain-making programs, including geographical locations, dates/range of dates administered, and chemicals used in administration of those programs.*

*b) 2017 - 2022 - A list of all instances, Australia-wide, state-by-state, of weather manipulation using HAARP technology, including geographical locations and dates/range of dates administered.”*

**Right of access**

The FOI Act provides the public with the right of access to documents held by state government agencies and official documents of ministers. However, in order to protect essential public interests, for example, the privacy of individuals and certain business affairs, this right of access does not apply to documents that are identified as exempt under the FOI Act.

The FOI Act also allows agencies and ministers to partially release documents if practicable to do so and if the applicant would wish to access such documents.

**Document search**

Agriculture Victoria undertook a search of relevant document repositories and subsequently failed to locate any documents relevant to the scope of your request.

I am further advised that during the period noted in your request, no activities have been authorised under the Rain-making Control Act 1967.

**Complaint to the Victorian Information Commissioner**

If you wish to complain about an aspect of how this request was processed, you may make a submission in writing to the Office of the Victorian Information Commissioner within 60 days of the date of the action you are complaining about. For further information about the process, please visit the Commissioner's website at <http://ovic.vic.gov.au> or telephone 1300 006 842.

**Contact**

Please feel free to contact me by email at [foi@ecodev.vic.gov.au](mailto:foi@ecodev.vic.gov.au) if you have any questions about this decision.

Yours sincerely



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