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19 June 2026

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## Re: Official Information Act Request: Public Service Overhaul

Thank you for your email on 11 June 2026 in which you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982. In summary, you requested:

*“Under the OIA, could you please provide the following:*

- 1. What is the expected timeline of implementing the Government’s public service overhaul targets within your agency, and when you expect to consult staff on restructures if you have not done so already?*
- 2. Whether your agency is planning on or considering to cut any roles located in the Northland region, and if so, how many, and what specific roles?*
- 3. Whether your agency is planning on or considering to cut any Māori specific roles, and if so, how many, and what specific roles?*
- 4. Whether your agency is planning on or considering to cut any staffing who have identified to Whakapapa Māori, and if so, how many, and what specific roles?*
- 5. What advice, including briefings, weekly reports, aide memoirs, or any other written advice, has been given to your leadership team or relevant Minister on the impact of cuts to any regional delivery programmes of work, if any?*
- 6. What advice, including briefings, weekly reports, aide memoirs, or any other written advice has been given to their leadership team or their Minister on any Māori workforce impacts of restructures to implement public service job cuts, if any?”*

In response to your request:

Regarding question 1, EECA will be working with its monitoring agency, the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), to identify and implement productivity and efficiency gains. There is no implementation plan or timeline in place at this time.

EECA's response to questions 2 – 6 is No/None.

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Yours sincerely



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