



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS LODGED BY THE OFFICE OF SENATOR LUDLAM

Perth Freight Link

	DATE LODGED	REQUEST TO	DOCUMENTS RELEASED OR WITHHELD
1	July 2014	<i>Main Roads WA</i>	1 out of 19 documents released in full. 10 documents denied. Took 5 months to receive a final answer.
2	February 2015	<i>WA Treasury</i>	Application refused for 6 out of 8 documents based on cabinet deliberations. Only administrative forms provided.
3	March 2015	<i>WA Dept Finance</i>	Application refused except for 2 documents which were mostly blacked out.
4	March 2015	<i>Main Roads Western Australia</i>	Application refused. And well exceeded the 45 day period despite repeated follow ups.
	June 2015	<i>Main Roads Western Australia -in response to the previous refusal an internal review was submitted</i>	Application refused on basis that it would reveal deliberative processes of the government AND be contrary to the public interest
	July 2015 (ongoing)	<i>Office of the Information Commissioner (WA) -in response to previous two refusals from MRWA an External Review was submitted.</i>	Our application for external review of MRWA withholding documents successful. Commissioner now dealing with application. Outcome pending.
5	July 2015	<i>Department of Planning</i>	Application refused on the basis of the Planning Control Area being a proposal and not finalised at the time.
6	August 2015	<i>Main Roads Western Australia</i>	Application successful – MRWA released documents with exception of those containing personal info about an individual as per clause 3(1) of FOI Act 1992
7	August 2015	<i>WA Department of Premier and Cabinet</i>	Application refused on grounds it was too big and would divert substantial & unreasonable portion of Department's resources away from other operations.
	November 2015	<i>WA Department of Premier and Cabinet -internal review of previous decision to refuse access to documents</i>	Upheld decision of original decision maker - maintaining that we did not help bring the scope down as the timeframe and number of documents covered by the application remained unreasonably large.
8	August 2015	<i>Infrastructure Australia</i>	Partial access granted. 37 Docs released. Exempt materials included correspondence relating to the Business Case, procurement options and contracts. Access refused on grounds of Commonwealth-State relations, cabinet in confidence, personal privacy, confidential material and the argument that the public interest would not be served by disclosure.
9	October 2015	<i>WA Department of Transport</i>	Reply received later than the 45 day requisite reply period. Refused access to the 28 documents falling within scope of revised application - claiming Cabinet and Executive Council and Deliberative Processes.
10	October 2015	<i>Commonwealth Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities</i>	Very limited access granted. Where access was refused it was on grounds of legal professional privilege, deliberative processes and personal privacy. Access also refused to parts of documents containing material irrelevant to request.