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Subject:FOI request - Jason Austin

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To:Angila Bains <abains@crd.bc.ca>

Hello Ms. Bains

As you will see from my email to Lynn below, I was instructed by the office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner to attempt to negotiate with the CRD for the release of the FOI material I requested before they commence their own investigation. My FOI request was:

Hello Angila

At <https://www.crd.bc.ca/docs/default-source/parks-pdf/sarfactsheetivb.pdf?sfvrsn=2> the CRD identifies 9 species that it says are "confirmed resident species" in Island View Beach Regional Park. These include the Common Nighthawk, the Fleshy Jaumea, the American Glehnia, and the Sand-Verbena moth.

I would like:

- *copies of the records that led to this determination for each of these 4 species*
- *copies of the emails, both internal and external, that discuss these*
- *copies of working papers and drafts that refer to these*

Thank you.

Jason

In your reply, you said the CRD estimated 1,600 pages and umpteen hours to photocopy them for a cost of \$1,165.

- **First**, I believe there are not 1,600 pages in the material I requested. A consultant engaged by the CRD for a report on two species at the park did a detailed report in only 12 pages. I did not ask for a treatise on these species - the first part of my request was simply for the records that led the CRD to make the statement that those species named are "confirmed resident" in Island View Beach Regional Park, and the rest was just the emails and working papers that discuss and refer to these.

- **Second**, I do not want photo copies, I prefer to have the records, emails and working papers in electronic format, so regardless of how many there are there is no time needed to photo copy them.

- **Third**, this request is related to the environment of one of the most popular and heavily used public parks in the Capital Regional District. That environmental information will be used in the development of a new management plan for that park, and might lead to restrictions on the public access to areas of that park. This data is therefor in the public interest.

Will you reconsider your position please and provide me with the material I requested at no cost, and without further delay.

Thank you.

Jason Austin