



United States Department of the Interior
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington, DC 20240



IN REPLY REFER TO:
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April 1, 2021

Via email: ncornettlaw@gmail.com

Eric N. Cornett
P.O. Box 728
Hyden, KY 41749

Dear Mr. Cornett:

The Office of the Secretary FOIA office received three Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, dated March 26, 2021, on March 26, 2021 and assigned them control number **DOI-OS-2021-003335**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

First request:

Calendar Invitations: all calendar and/or meeting invitations sent to or from (including copying) Andrew_Wallace@ios.doi.gov, dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive; and 2. Microsoft Teams: all logs of Microsoft Teams meetings sent to or from (including copying) Andrew_Wallace@ios.doi.gov and involving one or more participants with a non-@ios.doi.gov address dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive.

Second request:

Calendar Invitations: all calendar and/or meeting invitations sent to or from (including copying) Morgan_Gray@ios.doi.gov, Paniz_Rezaerod@ios.doi.gov dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive; and 2. Microsoft Teams: all logs of Microsoft Teams meetings sent to or from (including copying) Morgan_Gray@ios.doi.gov and involving one or more participants with a non-@ios.doi.gov address dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive.

Third request:

Calendar Invitations: all calendar and/or meeting invitations sent to or from (including copying) Paniz_Rezaerod@ios.doi.gov dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive; and 2. Microsoft Teams: all logs of Microsoft Teams meetings sent to or from (including copying) Paniz_Rezaerod@ios.doi.gov and involving one or more participants with a non-@ios.doi.gov address dated January 21, 2021 through the date you process this request, inclusive.

Aggregating Requests

We may aggregate requests for administrative reasons without charging fees accordingly we reasonably believe that you, or a group of requesters acting in concert with you, are dividing a single request into a series of requests on a single subject or related subjects. Because your two

requests were on related subjects and made within a 30-day period, we reasonably believe that a single request was divided into a series of requests.

Fee Category

We have classified you as a representative of the news media. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs; you also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.39](#). If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than \$50.00, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#)

Fee Waiver

You have requested a fee waiver for this request. As a “news media” requester, we believe that your fee category entitlements will result in a fee less than \$50. We do not bill requesters for FOIA processing fees when their fees are less than \$50.00, because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#). Because of this, we believe your request for a fee waiver may be moot. Therefore, we do not anticipate that there will be a billable fee for the processing of this request. Should this change during the course of processing your request, and anticipate a fee being charged, we will provide a formal determination of your fee waiver request.

Agreement to Pay

You have agreed to pay up to \$200.00 for the processing of your request. If we find that this will not cover the cost of processing your request, we will stop processing your request at the point this amount has been reached and will let you know before we incur additional charges. You can then either agree to pay the additional amount needed or narrow the scope of your request

Processing Track

We use Multitrack Processing to process FOIA requests. The Simple track is for requests that would generally take one to five workdays to process. The Normal track is for requests that would generally take six to twenty workdays to process. The Complex track is for requests that would generally take twenty-one to sixty workdays to process. The Extraordinary track is for requests that would generally take more than sixty workdays to process. The Expedited track is for requests that have been granted expedited processing, which are processed as soon as practicable. Within each track, requests are usually processed on a first-in, first-out basis.

Your request falls into the Simple processing track. See [43 C.F.R. §§ 2.14, .15](#)

Format of Records

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records electronically via email or CD-ROM as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

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10-Workday Extension

Because we will need to search for and collect requested records from field facilities or other units that are separate from the office processing the request, we are taking a 10-workday extension under [43 C.F.R. § 2.19](#).

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See [5 U.S.C. 552\(c\)](#). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

The 2007 FOIA amendments created the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation.

You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://www.archives.gov/ogis>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

If you have any questions about this letter extending the due date, you may contact us by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Contact information for the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, who you may also seek dispute resolution services from, is available at <https://www.doi.gov/foia/foiacenters>.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Sweeney
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Office