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FW: Freedom of Information Request for Homestead Migrant Detention Center

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Tue 9/10/2019 4:07 PM

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Good afternoon,

Please provide an update to the status of the attached FOIA request originally sent on July 26, 2019.

Best wishes,

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Cc: Ana Correa <acorrea@earthjustice.org>
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Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Request for Homestead Migrant Detention Center
Date: Friday, November 15, 2019 1:36:00 PM
Attachments: [FOIA Request AF 7.26.pdf](#)

Dear FOIA officer,

I am following up on a FOIA Request submitted to your office on July 26th, 2019 for which we have not received any response or acknowledgement of receipt.

Thank you,
Ana

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Cc: [Ana Correa](#); [Laura Arroyo](#); [Nathan Frischkorn](#)
Subject: Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:26:00 PM
Attachments: [FOIA Request AF 7.26.pdf](#)

Dear FOIA Officer,

I am writing to follow up on a FOIA request that Earthjustice submitted to the United States Air Force (USAF) on behalf of WeCount! on July 26, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto. This FOIA request has no tracking number associated with it, as we received no response to our request from USAF.

As you are aware, FOIA requires that federal agencies make a final determination within twenty (20) business days of receipt of a FOIA request, absent unusual circumstances. USAF has neither acknowledged receipt of our FOIA request nor made the required determination, and the window during which USAF is legally required to make a determination on our request is long past.

Please provide a final determination by Wednesday, June 24, 2020, or we will be forced to take additional legal action to compel USAF to respond this request.

Sincerely,

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To: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Friday, June 5, 2020 7:40:15 AM

Good morning Ms. Burkhardt,

We apologize for the delay in responding to Ms. Kaiman's FOIA request. She should have received an acknowledgement letter indicating case number 2019-04651-F was assigned to it. Unfortunately, we are required to coordinate reviews from other agencies which contributed to the delay. Once this process is complete, we will respond accordingly. Please contact me if you have any questions.

V/r

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Date: Monday, November 9, 2020 1:54:00 PM

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to request the status of FOIA request/case number 2019-04651-F. It has been over a year since this FOIA request was filed. In a final attempt to resolve this matter without the need for litigation, can you please advise if a response to our request will be provided on or before December 4?

Thank you,

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Hello Ms. Burkhardt,

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To: [SAF/AA HAF FOIA workflow](#); monique.harris.8@us.af.mil
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Thursday, December 3, 2020 3:48:00 PM

Good Afternoon Monique,

Given the timeframe provided below, can I expect a response to the FOIA request in the next day?

Thank you,

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To: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Monday, December 7, 2020 8:57:49 AM

Good morning Ms. Burkhardt,

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is currently processing your request. You should have received an email from HHS pertaining to your request. I have reached out to get a status on this request, however, as of today I have not received a response. Once I receive a response from HHS I will contact you. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Subject: Re: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Monday, December 7, 2020 11:20:42 AM

Good Morning, Ms. Harris,

Would you be able to give me a call at [REDACTED] (cell)? I just tried calling and was not able to get through. I am a little confused by your email... my understanding was USAF was coordinating its response to our FOIA request with other agencies. Per your latest email, it now sounds like only HHS is processing our request, yet we have already received a response to our FOIA request from HHS, via the Administration for Children and Families. My follow ups are regarding the status of our FOIA request to the USAF. Additionally, when speaking with a FOIA manager at EPA, I was advised that USAF has the majority of records we are seeking, since the Air Force manages its own environmental department. If you could give me a call at your earliest convenience to clarify this, that would be appreciated.

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Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:54:00 AM

Good Morning Ms. Harris,

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Date: Thursday, December 10, 2020 9:52:00 AM

Good morning Ms. Burkhardt,

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I'd like to direct the Air Force's attention to page 1, under "Records Requested," where it states:

We request all of the following records in the possession, custody, or control of the Air Force that were created, stored, or received **pertaining to** the sites known as the Homestead Detention Center/Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children, **Homestead Air Force Reserve Base, Homestead Air Reserve Base, and Homestead Air Force Base.**"

The FOIA request is not limited to records pertaining to the Homestead Detention Center alone; therefore, I am following up on our FOIA request for any/all records requested as they relate to the Air Force Reserve Base, Air Reserve Base, and Air Force Base, which includes the site on which the Detention Center existed prior to its construction.

I would further like to direct the Air Force's attention to **page 2, paragraph 4:**

(4) Any environmental testing results (including analysis of soil, soil gas/vapor, groundwater, surface water and air) resulting from sampling at the Homestead detention center property/Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children, Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base, including CERCLA cleanup documents (including, but not limited to, preliminary assessments, remedial investigations, feasibility studies, records of decision, remedial actions, five-year reviews, etc.) prepared pre- and especially post-Hurricane Andrew in 1992, as well as maps of the facility and Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base that indicate what activities occurred on the site prior to the construction of the Homestead Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children.

And paragraphs 5-11:

(5) Any records of claims related to chemical or contaminant exposure made by service members and their families after being stationed at or deploying through the Homestead Air Reserve Base or Homestead Air Force Base;

(6) Any records of potentially harmful chemical exposure on the Homestead Air Reserve Base or Homestead Air Force Base;

(7) Records of correspondence between the U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Air Force regarding the 1996 property transfer on which the Homestead Detention Center/Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children was eventually constructed;

(8) Estimated daily F-16C and other aircraft sorties for 2016 through 2019 and projected flight use for 2020;

(9) Any U.S. Air Force comments, documents, or other involvement in Urban Development Boundary meetings in 2017;

(10) All records of complaints within the last 10 years from nearby residents due to residue,

noise, or illness related to jet fuel, flights, or contamination;

(11) All records of weapons testing and pesticide application that could have impacts to environmental media (air, soil, groundwater, surface water, soil gas/vapor) on the Homestead Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children property;

The EPA advised that this information would be in the custody of the Air Force, specifically the environmental records requested in paragraph 4.

I am requesting a thorough search of records responsive to and within the scope of our FOIA request, and given that this request has been pending for a year and a half, I am still seeking an estimate of the timeframe within which this will be completed.

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Date: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:01:02 AM

Good morning Ms. Burkhardt,

This request was already reviewed by the Secretary of the Air Force for Environment, Safety, and Infrastructure (SAF/IE) with no records being produced. I can check with the AF Reserves FOIA office to see if they have any responsive records. As I stated before, the records I received from AF/A3 belonged to HHS and those records were focused on Homestead, nothing pertaining to any environmental issues or testing.

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"When it is obvious that a goal cannot be reached, don't adjust the goal, adjust the action steps"

- Confucius

**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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14 December 2020

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Dear Mrs. Hand,

We received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on 14 December 2020. Your FOIA request assigned tracking number is 2019-04651-F. The estimated completion date is 15 January 2021, 20 working days from date of Base FOIA office Notification. Your request seeks the following:

Information listed on pg. 2, para 4 and 5-11 specifically environmental records request in paragraph 4.

To ensure fairness to all requesters, we are required to process all FOIA requests on a "first in, first out" basis, in accordance with Federal Law, DoD and Air Force Instructions. Many of these requests involve the loss of loved ones, sexual assaults and other sensitive matters. As such, requests could take a minimum of 6 months or substantially longer to complete based upon the number and complexity of your case or the cases that precede it or other mitigating circumstances.

If you need to contact us about your request please reference case number. You may also contact the FOIA/PA administrator via emails: 482CS.SCOK@us.af.mil and keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil.

Sincerely,

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From: [JOHNSON, KEAIRA L GS-09 USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCOK](#)
To: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
Cc: joy.primoli@us.af.mil; kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil; kimberly.cope@us.af.mil
Subject: FOIA 2019-04651-F
Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 9:34:22 AM
Attachments: [Narrowing Scope of FOIA request 2019-04651-F.docx.pdf](#)

Good Morning Mrs. Burkhardt,

Please see the attached request for more specific date information and advise if you have any questions, thank you

V/r

KEAIRA L. JOHNSON, CIV, DAF
482 FW Base Records Manager

Email: Keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil

DSN: 535-6823

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND

15 December 2020

From: 482 Fighter Wing FOIA Office
29050 Coral Sea Blvd
Homestead Air Reserve Base, FL 33039

To: Mrs. Dominique Burkhardt
Associate Attorney
Florida Regional Office
4500 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 201
Miami FL 33137
305-440-5435
dburkhardt@earthjustice.org

Dear Mrs. Dominique Burkhardt,

This is a response to your Freedom of Information Act request 2019-04651-F requesting any/ all records in regards to the Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children etc. We are unable to process your request at this time because the scope of your request is too wide. Please clarify the records search specific date range of your request i.e. January 1, 2019 to January 31, 2020. This will assist us in searching for positive records. Please reply to this request by 28 December 2020 so we may handle your request as expediently as possible.

If you have any questions concerning your request email us at 482cs.scok@us.af.mil. Please reference your assigned case number when making inquiries.

Sincerely,

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From: [HARRIS, MONIQUE N GS-12 USAF AFDW SAF/SAF/AAIL](#)
To: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19
Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 2:14:08 PM

Good afternoon Ms. Burkhardt,

I have finally received a response from the Air Force Reserve Command FOIA office pertaining to your request, specifically the environmental portion. The FOIA manager confirmed your request will be sent to the appropriate base level environmental office to conduct a search of responsive records. I'm not sure how long this will take, if I had to guess I would say 3 – 4 weeks to get a response. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you.

V/r

//SIGNED//

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From: Dominique Burkhardt <dburkhardt@earthjustice.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 10:35 AM
To: HARRIS, MONIQUE N GS-12 USAF AFDW SAF/SAF/AAIL <monique.harris.8@us.af.mil>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Earthjustice's FOIA Request dated 7/26/19

Good Morning Harris,

I'd like to direct the Air Force's attention to page 1, under "Records Requested," where it states:
We request all of the following records in the possession, custody, or control of the Air Force that were created, stored, or received **pertaining to** the sites known as the Homestead Detention Center/Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children, **Homestead Air Force Reserve Base, Homestead Air Reserve Base, and Homestead Air Force Base.**"

The FOIA request is not limited to records pertaining to the Homestead Detention Center alone; therefore, I am following up on our FOIA request for any/all records requested as they relate to the

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Subject: FW: FOIA 2019-04651-F
Date: Friday, January 22, 2021 10:56:10 AM
Attachments: [No Response -Narrowing Scope Request.pdf](#)
[Sent Narrow Scope- FOIA 2019-04651-F.pdf](#)

Good Morning Mrs. Burkhardt,

Please see the attached and advise if you have any questions, thank you

V/r

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Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 9:34 AM
To: Dominique Burkhardt <dburkhardt@earthjustice.org>
Cc: PRIMOLI, JOY L Lt Col USAF AFRC 482 FW/JA <joy.primoli@us.af.mil>; COPE, KIMBERLY P GS-11 USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCXS <kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil>; COPE, KIMBERLY P MSgt USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCOK <kimberly.cope@us.af.mil>
Subject: FOIA 2019-04651-F

Good Morning Mrs. Burkhardt,

Please see the attached request for more specific date information and advise if you have any questions, thank you

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND

22 January 2021

From: 482 Fighter Wing FOIA Office
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Mrs. Dominique Burkhardt
Associate Attorney Florida
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Dear Mrs. Burkhardt,

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request #2019-04651-F received on 11 December 2020, which seeks the following:

Any/ all records in regards to the Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children etc.

On 15 December 2020, our office contacted you regarding your FOIA request and asked you to respond no later than 28 December 2020. To this date, this office has not received a response to our request for clarification on date range; therefore, we have closed your request without further action. If you still seek records, you may submit your request and a new case number will be assigned.

If you disagree and interpret this response as an adverse action, you may write to the Secretary of the Air Force, Thru: 29050 Coral Sea Blvd Homestead Air Reserve Base, FL 33039 within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Include in the appeal your reasons for reconsideration, and attach a copy of this letter. You may also submit your appeal on line at the Air Force's Public Access Link: <https://www.foia.af.mil/palMain.aspx>.

You may contact the Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Officer, Ms. Anh Trinh, concerning this final response at Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Office, 1800 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1800 or usaf.pentagon.saf-cio-a6.mbx.af-foia@mail.mil or (703) 614-8500. You may also seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services, and can find information on this Office at <https://ogis.archives.gov/mediation-program/request-assistance.htm>. Using the dispute resolution services, will not affect your appeal rights.

Direct questions to AFIMSC/IZSI at afimsc.foia.workflow@us.af.mil or call 210-395-0995 and reference FOIA case number.

Sincerely,

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KEAIRA L. JOHNSON, DAF, USAF
482 FW, FOIA Manager

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From: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
To: [JOHNSON, KEAIRA L GS-09 USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCOK](#)
Cc: [kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil](#); [482cs.scok@us.af.mil](#)
Subject: RE: FOIA 2019-04651-F
Date: Friday, January 22, 2021 11:46:00 AM

Good Morning, Ms. Johnson,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me this morning and explain the various channels through which the search is being conducted. As explained on the phone, because I had been in contact with FOIA officer Ms. Monique Harris, who confirmed a search was underway, along with the language of the letter seeking to narrow the scope of the request by stating, "Please reply to this request by 28 December 2020 so we may handle your request as expediently as possible," I had no reason to believe the FOIA request was at risk of being closed. Because the request had been pending for a year and half with no response, I am sincerely requesting that the process continue under the FOIA request number originally assigned.

Please see below the time ranges that we can narrow the search (highlighted), based on the FOIA request:

FOIA Request Paragraph 4

(4) Any environmental testing results (including analysis of soil, soil gas/vapor, groundwater, surface water and air) resulting from sampling at the Homestead detention center property/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children, Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base, including CERCLA cleanup documents (including, but not limited to, preliminary assessments, remedial investigations, feasibility studies, records of decision, remedial actions, five-year reviews, etc.) prepared pre- and especially post-Hurricane Andrew in 1992, as well as maps of the facility and Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base that indicate what activities occurred on the site prior to the construction of the Homestead Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children.

- **As to environmental testing records and CERCLA cleanup records, we are seeking records from the beginning of the CERCLA cleanup process, which began in the early 1990s. The date range would be January 1, 1990 to present.**
- **As to maps of the facility that indicate what activities occurred on the site prior to construction of the Homestead Detention Center, we would need to review this in conjunction with the cleanup and testing records. The date range would therefore be January 1, 1990 to the construction of the detention center.**

FOIA Request Paragraphs 5-11

(5) Any records of claims related to chemical or contaminant exposure made by service members and their families after being stationed at or deploying through the Homestead Air Reserve Base or Homestead Air Force Base; **January 1, 2000 to present**

(6) Any records of potentially harmful chemical exposure on the Homestead Air Reserve Base or Homestead Air Force Base; **January 1, 1990 to present.**

(7) Records of correspondence between the U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Air Force regarding the 1996 property transfer on which the Homestead Detention Center/Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children was eventually constructed; **January 1, 1990 to December 31, 1996.**

(8) Estimated daily F-16C and other aircraft sorties for 2016 through 2019 and projected flight use for 2020; **2016-present.**

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(10) All records of complaints **within the last 10 years** from nearby residents due to residue, noise, or illness related to jet fuel, flights, or contamination;

(11) All records of weapons testing and pesticide application that could have impacts to environmental media (air, soil, groundwater, surface water, soil gas/vapor) on the Homestead Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children property; **January 1, 2016 to present.**

Thank you so much for your attention to this matter. I now know going forward that correspondence from you and Ms. Harris are not coming from the same office.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Friday, January 22, 2021 10:48 AM

To: Dominique Burkhardt <dburkhardt@earthjustice.org>

Cc: kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil; 482cs.scok@us.af.mil

Subject: FW: FOIA 2019-04651-F

Good Morning Mrs. Burkhardt,

From: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
To: [JOHNSON, KEAIRA L GS-09 USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCOK](#)
Cc: [kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil](#); [482cs.scok@us.af.mil](#)
Subject: RE: FOIA 2019-04651-F
Date: Friday, February 19, 2021 11:17:00 AM

Good Afternoon Ms. Johnson,

I am writing for a status update on the email below, to confirm that the FOIA request was not closed out based on our conversation last month, and to find out when we can expect the requested records below.

Please let me know, thank you.

Sincerely,

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Subject: RE: FOIA 2019-04651-F

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From: keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil
To: [Dominique Burkhardt](mailto:Dominique.Burkhardt)
Cc: 482cs.scok@us.af.mil
Subject: Acknowledgement of FOIA - 2021-01643-F
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 8:49:24 AM

Dear Mrs. Burkhardt

As per our teleconference this will be processed as a new FOIA request. This is an acknowledgement for receipt of your 19 Feb 2021 Freedom of Information Act Request email for Any environmental testing results (including analysis of soil, soil gas/vapor, groundwater, surface water and air) resulting from sampling at the Homestead detention center property/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children, Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base, including CERCLA cleanup documents (including, but not limited to, preliminary assessments, remedial investigations, feasibility studies, records of decision, remedial actions, five-year reviews, etc.) prepared pre- and especially post-Hurricane Andrew in 1992, as well as maps of the facility and Homestead Air Force Base and Homestead Air Reserve Base that indicate what activities occurred on the site prior to the construction of the Homestead Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children. As to environmental testing records and CERCLA cleanup records, we are seeking records from the beginning of the CERCLA cleanup process, which began in the early 1990s. The date range would be January 1, 1990 to present.

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Detention Center/ Homestead Temporary Influx Shelter for Unaccompanied Alien Children property; January 1, 2016 to present. (Date Range for Record Search: From 1/1/1990 To 2/19/2021).

Your case has been assigned case number 2021-01643-F. We will respond to your request by 19 March 2021.

If you have any questions concerning your request, you may contact us at 786-415-6823 or email us at . Please reference your assigned case number when making inquiries.

Sincerely,

KEAIRA L. JOHNSON, DAF, USAF
Freedom of Information Act Manager
482 Fighter Wing

FOIA Case 2021-01643-F

From: [Dominique Burkhardt](mailto:Dominique.Burkhardt@earthjustice.org)
To: keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil
Cc: 482cs.scok@us.af.mil; [Ana Correa](mailto:Ana.Correa@earthjustice.org)
Subject: Re. FOIA Request Number 2019-04651-F
Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021 12:15:00 PM
Attachments: [RE FOIA 2019-04651-F .pdf](#)

Good Morning Ms. Johnson,

When we spoke on the phone on January 22, 2021, you advised that you would check whether the FOIA request would continue to be processed under its original case number: 2019-04651-F.

Earthjustice is not in agreement that a new FOIA request number and new timeline would need to be issued, especially since you are now searching for a narrower scope of records requested in our original 2019 FOIA request, request number 2019-04651-F, and because no notice was provided that the original FOIA request would be closed if we did not respond by December 28, 2020 to the letter asking to narrow the scope of the request.

Additionally, I emailed you on **January 22, 2021**, attached, with further information to narrow the scope of the request. In addition to not agreeing that a new request number would need to be assigned, Earthjustice did not submit a FOIA request via email on February 19, 2021.

It has now been over 20 days since we narrowed the scope of our request on January 22, 2021, and **19 months** since we submitted the original FOIA request in July 2019. We are requesting a response to FOIA request number 2019-04651-F, which we narrowed the scope of on January 22, 2021, as soon as possible.

Thank you,


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Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 8:49 AM

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To: [Dominique Burkhardt](#)
Cc: [kimberly.cope.1@us.af.mil](#); [keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil](#)
Subject: RE: Re. FOIA Request Number 2019-04651-F
Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021 3:34:59 PM

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Good afternoon Mrs. Burkhardt,

I'm the assistant FOIA Manager Ms. Connie Hurst Ms. Keaira Johnson will be back on Monday. After reaching out and receiving guidance from our Headquarters FOIA office it was explained that because this case was opened and processed at a higher level outside of the Homestead AFB in 2019. That we are in this unique situation are to continue processing using the original FOIA Number of 2019-04651-F. Offices have already been tasked and are working with the updated information you provided after the request expired asking for more detailed information.

Please advise if you have any questions using original FOIA Number 2019-04651-F and thank you for your patience.

From: Dominique Burkhardt <dburkhardt@earthjustice.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 25, 2021 12:16 PM
To: JOHNSON, KEAIRA L GS-09 USAF AFRC 482 CS/SCOK <keaira.johnson.3@us.af.mil>
Cc: 482 CS/SCOK <482CS.SCOK@us.af.mil>; acorrea@earthjustice.org
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re. FOIA Request Number 2019-04651-F

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