

# Exhibit 6



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## FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for CBP-2017-041208

1 message

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CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov <CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov>  
To: "abecker@cironline.org" <abecker@cironline.org>

Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 10:46 AM

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request CBP-2017-041208 has been partially granted with \$ 0.0 waived.  
Additional details for this request are as follows:

- Request Created on: 03/21/2017
- Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: media
- Request Long Description: The amount of money Customs and Border Protection and/or DHS has paid to private landowners in non-condemnation real estate transactions to acquire private property related to border fence construction, with a breakdown by individual recipient's name, location, amount paid, date paid, amount of acreage construction, with a breakdown by individual recipient's name, location, amount paid, date paid, amount of acreage. The amount of money CBP and/or DHS has paid to the Department of the Interior in environmental mitigation fees/costs related to fence construction, with a breakdown by amount paid, date paid, reason for mitigation fee, and location related to mitigation fee. The amount of money CBP and/or DHS has paid DOJ in litigation fees/costs related to border fence condemnation suits, with a breakdown by fiscal year, region/field office/US attorney's office, date paid, reason for payment. The amount of money paid to property owners for land condemned and taken through eminent domain, with a breakdown by individual recipient, acreage, location of land, date paid, amount paid. The number of pending condemnation lawsuits, with a breakdown by filing date, docket number, location, and potential real estate exposure. The total expense to date for DoJ litigation fees/costs The precise location, including parcel/tracts numbers, geolocation data and owners involving all acquisitions related to border-fence construction. The total amount of real estate related costs associated with border fence and/wall construction to date, with a breakdown by type of expense, date of expense, funding source, place of performance.



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## FOIA Expedited Processing Disposition Reached for CBP-2017-041208

1 message

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To: "abecker@cionline.org" <abecker@cionline.org>

Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 10:48 AM

Your request for Expedited Processing for the FOIA request CBP-2017-041208 has been denied. Additional details for this request are as follows:

- Request Created on: 03/21/2017
- Expedited Disposition Reason: Request is insufficient
- Request Long Description: The amount of money Customs and Border Protection and/or DHS has paid to private landowners in non-condemnation real estate transactions to acquire private property related to border fence construction, with a breakdown by individual recipient's name, location, amount paid, date paid, amount of acreage. The amount of money CBP and/or DHS has paid to the Department of the Interior in environmental mitigation fees/costs related to fence construction, with a breakdown by amount paid, date paid, reason for mitigation fee, and location related to mitigation fee. The amount of money CBP and/or DHS has paid DOJ in litigation fees/costs related to border fence condemnation suits, with a breakdown by fiscal year, region/field office/US attorney's office, date paid, reason for payment. The amount of money paid to property owners for land condemned and taken through eminent domain, with a breakdown by individual recipient, acreage, location of land, date paid, amount paid. The number of pending condemnation lawsuits, with a breakdown by filing date, docket number, location, and potential real estate exposure. The total expense to date for DoJ litigation fees/costs. The precise location, including parcel/tracts numbers, geolocation data and owners involving all acquisitions related to border-fence construction. The total amount of real estate related costs associated with border fence and/wall construction to date, with a breakdown by type of expense, date of expense, funding source, place of performance.



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## Final Disposition, Request CBP-2017-041208

3 messages

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**CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov** <[CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov)>  
To: "[abecker@cionline.org](mailto:abecker@cionline.org)" <[abecker@cionline.org](mailto:abecker@cionline.org)>

Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 10:59 AM

As per our May 23, 2017 correspondence to you, and pursuant to 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.3(b) of the DHS FOIA regulations, you must describe the records you are seeking with as much information as possible to ensure that our search of appropriate systems of records can find them with a reasonable amount of effort. Your FOIA request has been closed as insufficient for **the following reason**:

- Did not include a time frame to be searched for responsive records. As you have failed to reasonably describe the records you are seeking, your request is not a perfected request, and we are unable to initiate a search for responsive records.

Please resubmit your FOIA request, along with the required information, by logging into your existing FOIAonline account or go to <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov> to create an account.

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Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 11:13 AM

This is erroneous. I sent an email on 5.24.17 asking for records from 1996 to present.

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Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 12:04 PM

I sent an email to [CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:CBPFOIA@cbp.dhs.gov) and Jodi Drengson clarifying my request for records from 1996 to present  
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Good Afternoon Mr. Becker,

After careful review of your FOIA request, CBP-2017-041208, we have determined that your request is too broad in scope or did not specifically identify the records which you are seeking. Records must be described in reasonably sufficient detail to enable government employees who are familiar with the subject area to locate records without placing an unreasonable burden upon the agency. For this reason, §5.3(b) of the DHS regulations, 6 C.F.R. Part 5, require that you describe the records you are seeking with as much information as possible to ensure that our search can locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Whenever possible, a request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the event that would have created the record, **a date range for the request**, and subject matter of the records. The FOIA does not require an agency to create new records, answer questions posed by requesters, or attempt to interpret a request that does not identify specific records.

**In order for us to continue processing your request, please indicate the time frame you wish your request to cover. If a response is not received within five (5) working days, your request will be closed as insufficient.**

You may contact a FOIA Public Liaison by sending an email via your FOIAonline account or call 202-325-0150. Please notate file number CBP-2017-041208 on any future correspondence to CBP related to this request. Additionally, you have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Thank you,

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