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By email:
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Our Ref: EIR-0004-2025.26

Your Ref:

Date: 10 June 2025

Dear Nick Kempe

Environmental Information Request

Thank you for your request for information.

Your request has been processed in accordance with Environmental Information Regulations (Scotland) 2004.

Firstly I would like to apologise for this late response which should be treated as both your response and review. The Information Governance Team is a very small team and currently dealing with a high volume of requests for information. Additionally, Operations Control had to manually search the Control and Command System to check for the requested information.

Please see below your request and subsequent responses:

Following your helpful response to my request whether you had been notified of the muirburn at Delnadamph at the end of February, as advised by the Muirburn Code, please provide me with:

a) the dates of any muirburn notifications your local control centre (which I believe to be at Dundee) has received from the Invercauld and Rhiedarroch Estates, who own ALL the land along the A83 between Spittal of Glen Shee and Braemar, between 1st January 2025 and Sunday 13th April

Despite extensively searching the Command and Control system there was no trace of muirburn notifications at the location provided. Therefore, the SFRS consider the exemption Regulation 10(4)(a) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 information not held applicable.

b) copies of any responses from the SFRS to such notifications during the periods you had issued warning about high fire risks

Please see response to Qa.

c) any wildfires in the Cairngorms National Park caused by muirburn and reported to the SFRS between 1st January and 13th April 2025. My post published today on parkwatchscotland today <https://parkwatchscotland.co.uk/2025/04/14/reckless-incompetent-and-damaging-muirburn-in-the-cairngorms-national-park-time-for-a-complete-ban/> and previous posts on the fires in Glen Shee provides the background to my request.

Despite extensively searching the Command and Control system there was no trace of any wildfires caused by muirburn at this location. Therefore, the SFRS consider the exemption Regulation 10(4)(a) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 information not held applicable.

Should you not be satisfied with the outcome of our review, you have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months. The Commissioner will decide whether your request has been dealt with properly, in accordance with the Act.

To make an online appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner –

<https://www.foi.scot/appeal>

To make a written appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner –

Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews, Fife
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Telephone: 01334 464610
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For further details, please see the Commissioner's website at www.foi.scot

Yours sincerely

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