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List of documents that have been proactively released				
Date	Title	Author		
23 January 2020	Whakaari/White Island - reviewing policy settings	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
9 March 2020	Aide Memoire: Targeted Review of Adventure Activity Regulations	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
14 August 2020	Whakaari/White Island eruption: cross government response	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
3 September 2020	Targeted review of the adventure activities regulatory regime: stakeholder engagement	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
1 October 2020	Weekly Report: Whakaari/White Island eruption: targeted review of the adventure activities regulatory regime	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
26 November 2020	Targeted review of the adventure activities regulatory regime	Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment		
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MBIE Health and Safety Policy Weekly Report

For the period from 27 November – 3 December 2020

Date:	3 December 2020	Priority:	Routine
Security classification:	In confidence	Tracking number:	2021-1617

Action sought			
	Action sought	Deadline	
Hon Michael Wood Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety	Discuss at the weekly officials' meeting	N/A	

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2. HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY UPDATES



2.2 Targeted review of the adventure activities regulatory regime: release of the report

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You were sent MBIE's advice on the targeted review of adventure activities regulatory regime on 26 November 2020, as part of the Government's cross-agency response following the Whakaari/White Island eruption on 9 December 2020. Attached to the advice was the draft report outlining the findings from the review. You have indicated that you would like to discuss the release of the report with MBIE officials.

Assuming an immediate release of the report is desirable the earliest date for release would be 18 December 2020. This will give officials time to finalise the report, noting that MBIE received supporting documentation from WorkSafe on 27 November corroborating stakeholder feedback. New information for inclusion in the final report covers WorkSafe's resourcing of the adventure activities regulatory regime, a detailed breakdown of WorkSafe's enforcement activity and the lapsed certification of safety auditors. Officials also recommend testing the information in the report with stakeholders involved in the process and providing a final version of the report to victims and families involved in the 9 December eruption prior to public release.

Releasing the report on the 18 December will avoid any clash with the anniversary of the event and give space between the first court date for Whakaari/White Island prosecutions on 15 December. Other timing options for the release could include January or February 2021 or waiting until the discussion document on proposed changes to the adventure activities regulatory regime is approved by Cabinet in March 2020.

You may also want to consider a proactive release of advice relating directly to the targeted review in parallel to any public release of the report.

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