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Dear Redac
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Thank you for email of 29 May 2018 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

“Can I please request the applications of all three Provincial Growth Fund submitters from the Wairarapa region.”

Enquiries or expressions of interest to the Provincial Growth Fund can be made before an application is lodged for consideration.

Regarding the three submitters in the Wairarapa region, one is to be considered by Senior Regional Officials and is therefore withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act to *maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any department or organisation in the course of their duty*. A further two are not yet at application stage.

We apologise for our lack of clarity in our response to your email enquiry.

A list of announced proposals is provided on MBIE's website, and you can access this information here: [Provincial Growth Fund announcements](#). This online list also includes One Billion Trees-related projects (administered by the Ministry of Primary Industries).

I trust you find this information helpful.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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