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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation (DOC), received on 13 May 2026, in which you asked for “...a copy of the decision for the Sugarloaf quarry in South Westland.”

On 15 May 2026, you clarified that you were seeking a copy of the permission granted to Kokiri Lime Company Limited (KLCL) for a quarry at Sugarloaf in South Westland.

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA).

I have decided to release a copy of Access Arrangement 87595-AA which was granted to KLCL to establish and operate an open cast basalt quarry at Sugarloaf in Karangarua as **Attachment One**. This document is released to you in part, with some information being withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA – to protect the privacy of natural persons – and section 9(2)(j) - to enable the Crown to negotiate without disadvantage or prejudice, as applicable.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the OIA.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and the attached document may be published on DOC's website.

If you would like to discuss this response, please email governmentservices@doc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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