

## LGOIMA

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**Request  
from:**

**For:** Glyphosate use on Nelson Streets

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**Response  
by:**

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Dear [REDACTED]

**OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR DILUTED GLYPHOSATE USE ON NELSON STREETS**

I refer to your official information request dated 10 October 2019 for how many litres of glyphosate based weed spray is used to control weeds on streets in Nelson City.

The information you requested is provided below.

*How many litres of glyphosate based weed spray is used to control weeds on streets in Nelson city? This is the amount of diluted spray used, not the litres of concentrate used.*

7,490 litres of dilute glyphosate spray was used on rural and urban road edges and footpaths in the last 12 months. The use of glyphosate for most weed control activities is considered to be the most efficient and cost-effective method at this time. Alternative methods of weed control would have a significant cost to the rate payer. While the issue of alternative weed control methods has been discussed at Council's Long Term Plan consultation process, the decision has been, where practicable to maintain vegetation along pathways by methods other than chemical control and to monitor international developments regarding glyphosate use as well as the advice from the New Zealand Environmental Protection Agency.

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at

[REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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**Rosie Bartlett**  
Manager Parks and Facilities

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**From:** no-reply@ncc.govt.nz  
**Sent:** Thursday, 10 October 2019 3:16 PM  
**To:** LGOIMA  
**Subject:** Official Information Request

**Your Details**

**First Name**

[REDACTED]

**Last Name**

[REDACTED]

**Organisation, if applicable**

**Postal Address**

[REDACTED]

**Email**

[REDACTED]

**Daytime Phone Number**

[REDACTED]

**Request details**

**Type of request**

LGOIMA (Official information request)

**Details of your request**

Please advise how many litres of glyphosate based weed spray is used to control weeds on streets in Nelson city . This is the amount of diluted spray used , not the litres of concentrate used . Thanks

**Supporting Document**