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Ref: OIAD-5409

Tēnā koe

Thank you for your request of 30 June 2025, in which you asked:

'In relation to: International Visitor Levy allocation of revenues for 2025-2026 year please provide the breakdown of the allocation of revenues from the International Visitor Levy for the 2025-2026 year at the following scales:

- 1. Allocation to Vote
- 2. Allocation to agencies (Department, Crown entity, Ministry or other such agency)
- 3. Allocation to projects, where allocation to projects has been approved
 In providing this information, please provide
- 4. The proportionality of each agency allocation that is split between Votes
- 5. The proportionality of each project allocation that is split between agencies and/or Votes

Please provide a copy of all 2025 Budget proposals relating to the allocation of IVL revenues, including any proposal that was discarded. For the avoidance of doubt, should any document in part be covered by this request, the request includes the document in its entirety. No part of any document relating to IVL revenues is out of scope of this request.'

On 2 July 2025 aspects 3 and 5 of your request were transferred from Treasury to the Department of Conservation (DOC) in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) - as these aspects of your request are more closely related with the functions of our agency. We understand other aspects of your request will be answered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE).

Further to my decision letter of 30 July, please find our responses to your questions listed below:

1. Allocation to projects, where allocation to projects has been approved

The *attached* IVL Conservation Investment Plan shows the allocation to projects. Further details on the item released are shown in the table below:

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	13 March 2025	IVL Conservation Investment Plan	Released in full



2. The proportionality of each project allocation that is split between agencies and/or Votes

All of the funding for the Conservation Investment Plan sits within Vote Conservation.

Under "Managing core visitor products" \$4.5m is for the Tohu Whenua programme which is a joint programme between DOC and Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga. This is 54% of the project total.

Under "Supporting thriving landscapes in our National Parks and at popular visitor sites" there is \$3m for wilding conifer control. This work will be led by the Ministry for Primary Industries. This is 29% of the project total.

The remainer of the projects will be administered by DOC.

Over and above the \$55m of investment in the Conservation Investment Plan, there is an additional \$4m of funding for the Milford Sound/Piopiotahi corridor from the Tourism portion of the IVL. This is separate to the funding for Milford Sound/Piopiotahi referred to under "Managing visitor pressures".

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

Nāku noa, nā

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Te Papa Atawhai