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Dear G S

Extension of time to respond to request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 21 August 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

'In relation to the Waitara to Bell Block project, can you please provide information relating to:

- 1) The confirmed works programme, including design, costings and timeframes
- 2) Any unconfirmed works still being considered, including design, costings and timeframes
- 3) Any works proposed and rejected or declined, including designs, costings, timeframes and reasons why rejected or declined.
- 4) Any assessment and decisions relating to the SH3 Egmont Road intersection undertaken in the past 2 years.
- 5) All NZTA Board papers and papers to Ministers or Cabinet in relation to the Waitara to Bell Block project and/or the SH3-Egmont Road intersection.'

This letter is to advise you that the NZ Transport Agency is extending the 20 working days available to respond to your request, as allowed for under section 15A of the Act. We require an additional 10 working days to respond to your request. We will send you a response on or before 2 October 2019.

We are extending the deadline because we need to consult others before we can decide how to respond to your request. It will take us more than 20 working days to thoroughly respond to your request.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to extend this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

If you would like to discuss the extension with the Transport Agency, please email official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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