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Dan

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REF: OIA-9557

Dear Dan

Extending the time to respond to your request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 8 February 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Dear New Zealand Transport Agency,

Bridges, culverts, subways etc. on the New Zealand state highway network have signage with the numbered state highway shield, a number indicating the distance from the start of the highway, and a name to identify it (for example the name of the river it crosses).

Please send me a list of this information in CSV format for all state highways nationwide. The list should include for each piece of infrastructure the state highway number, the number indicating distance, the common name used, any other names used, and location coordinates for it in a common geographic format.

Please include any pieces of infrastructure in addition to bridges, culverts, and subways that aren't these things if they use this same signage system.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is extending the 20 working days available to us to respond to your request. This is allowed for under section 15A of the Act. We need ten more working days to respond to your request. We will send you our response on or before 1 April 2022.

We are extending the deadline because the collation and consultations required for Waka Kotahi to respond to your request is such that a decision could not be made within 20 working days. It will take us more than 20 working days to thoroughly respond to your request.

Further, and in line with Ombudsman guidance, we seek verification of your eligibility to make this request, as per section 12(1) of the Act. We request that you provide proof of your eligibility to our contact email address below by 25 March 2022, rather than to the public FYI website. This can be through any of the following means:

- Providing a New Zealand Driver Licence
- Proof of citizenship or permanent residency
- Proof that you are located in New Zealand; or
- Proof that you are requesting this information on behalf of a body corporate which is incorporated in New Zealand or which has a place of business in New Zealand.

We are also interested in the purpose of this request, and whether it is for academic or research purposes. This additional context may enable us to provide you with further information or engage with you in a way which assists you.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to extend the time we will take to respond to your request. You can find the contact details for the Ombudsman at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

If you would like to discuss the extension with Waka Kotahi, please contact us via email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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