

6 April 2023

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REF: OIA-12200

Dear R S Grant

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

Thank you for your email of 11 March 2023 requesting the following information:

Can you please confirm whether the speed limit on the new Puhoi to Warkworth motorway will be 100kph, as recently reported?

If that is correct, please provide any information you have that explains why this speed limit has been chosen as opposed to the 120kph which would be normal for a motorway of its apparent standard in Europe. I would specifically like to know whether the road has been designed to a lower standard than required for a 120kph road, or whether its design is in fact suitable for 120kph speeds but the lower limit has been chosen for reasons unrelated to the design of the road - in which case I would like to know those reasons.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is extending the 20 working days available to us to respond to your request, as allowed for under section 15A of the Act. We need 12 more working days to respond to your request and will send you our response on or before 28 April 2023.

We are extending the deadline as the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a thorough response cannot reasonably be made within the 20-working-day limit.

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 this extension, please email official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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