

22 August 2024

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REF: OIA-15988

Dear Charlie

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 25 July 2024 requesting information regarding the State Highway 2 (SH2) Waihi to Ōmokoroa safety improvements project under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your requests have been numbered below for ease of reference:

*...the below documents relating to the SH2 Waihi to Tauranga Corridor Project:*

- 1. Issued for Construction Drawings (IFC) complete set*
- 2. Design Options Analysis*
- 3. Risk Assessment for the Wire Rope Barriers*
- 4. Risk Assessment on Work Road Intersection for the current IFC design and alternative designs*
- 5. Sight Distance Analysis of the Work Road SH2 Intersection, and*
- 6. Analysis and Risk Assessment of Emergency Service Response Times to Work Road prior and post works.*

On 30 July and 6 August 2024, NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) contacted you via email to seek clarification on your request to help us identify the information you are seeking. To date, we have not had a response from you.

As it currently stands, we do not consider points 1, 2, 3 and 6 of your request to have been made with due particularity in accordance with section 12(2) of the Act. As such, NZTA is unable to provide a response to these parts of your request. You are welcome to submit a new request under the Act and we would be happy to consider it.

I am refusing points 4 and 5 of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist. As advised in our email, the design for the Work Road intersection has not yet started, as it is not scheduled to begin construction until 2025.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse parts of your request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact the Ministerial Services team by email to [official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JS', written over a faint circular stamp.

**James Sorensen**

Manager Ministerial Services, Enterprise