

9 July 2018

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REF: OIA-3901

Dear Andrew

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 10 June 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I request all information (oral and written) and including copies of any communication, memoranda, report, assessment, costing or briefing note, on the potential, planned or actual use of road layout commonly known as 2 plus 1 considered in any business case for upgrades to any state highway.

I am limiting this request to information produced after 1 January 2008.

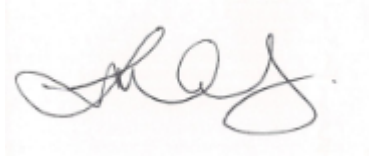
The NZ Transport Agency wrote to you on 18 June 2018 asking you to refine and narrow down your request. The Transport Agency has advised you that it considers the scope of your request to be very broad – it covers the time period of over 10 years and involves thousands of documents that would need to be considered (there could be between 700–1000 business cases and many more supporting documents that would need to be assessed to see if they fall within the scope of your request). It would require the involvement of a number of staff across the organisation and would place an unreasonable administrative burden on the Transport Agency.

However, the Transport Agency has not received a refined request from you. As the information you have requested cannot be made available without substantial collation and research, your request is refused under section 18(f) of the Act.

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

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Transport Agency, please contact Ministerial Services at official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leisa Coley', is centered on a light-colored rectangular background.

Leisa Coley
Manager, Ministerial Services