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Dear Catherine

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 24 November 2014 requesting information on expenditure on roading for 2009-12 and 2012-15 in the following regions:

- Northland
- Auckland
- Western Bay of Plenty (including Tauranga)
- Rotorua
- Hawke's Bay
- Whanganui
- Wairarapa

Some of the above are districts rather than regions. Because we collect and report expenditure information for state highways on a regional rather than district basis, I cannot provide you with information on some of the places requested.

Please refer to Attachment A which shows the road maintenance, operations, renewals and improvements costs for state highways and local roads for the following regions:

- Northland
- Auckland
- Bay of Plenty
- Hawke's Bay
- Manawatu/Whanganui
- Wellington (including Wairarapa)

Please note the following:

- The 2012-15 figures comprise the actual spend to 30 June 2014 and the approved funding for the year from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.
- Local roads are funded jointly by the National Land Transport Fund and councils. The local road components in Attachment A show the total cost submitted by councils to the NZ Transport Agency for claims (first column for each three-year period) and the amount of our contribution from the National Land Transport Fund (second column for each three-year period).

- Some of the difference in the Auckland local road costs between 2009-12 and 2012-15 is due to arrangements we made with Auckland Transport to lower their funding assistance rate for 2009-12 but to offset this by increasing the rate for 2012-15.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Transport Agency, please contact Andy Knackstedt, National Media Manager, by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (04) 894 6285.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dave Brash', with a large, stylized initial 'D'.

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For Chief Executive