

22 March 2024

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REF: OIA-14756

Dear ██████████

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 23 February 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

[...] information regarding the age/construction date of the Rangitikei Line Rail Overbridge on SH3 in Palmerston North

- information or alternatively more general analysis as to the lifespan expected of this bridge/similar bridges

- long-term planning regarding upgrades to the section of SH3 in which this bridge is located

I will address each part your request in turn.

Information regarding the age/construction date of the Rangitikei Line Rail Overbridge on SH3 in Palmerston North.

The Rangitikei Line Rail overbridge was constructed in 1960.

Information or alternatively more general analysis as to the lifespan expected of this bridge/similar bridges.

The bridge is generally in good condition with a predicted lifespan of 100 years. Therefore, it is anticipated that there is about 40 more years lifespan expected for this bridge.

Long-term planning regarding upgrades to the section of SH3 in which this bridge is located.

Resurfacing works are planned for State Highway 3 (SH3) between Tremaine Ave and John F Kennedy Dr in the 2024-27 Draft National Land Transport Plan period, which is subject to funding. There is no planned update to this section of SH3 as yet. Other than general maintenance, there are no planned upgrades for the bridge.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA), please contact us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "AD Clark". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized.

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