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REF: OIA-8847

Dear ██████████

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email dated 27 September 2021 to Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1. The specific location to within 50 m of each of the identified 488 traffic accidents that are variously grouped in your supplied map data. The maps supplied and the factors listed are of themselves inconclusive in determining the causal factors.*
- 2. How many of the 488 crashes occurred at intersections.*
- 3. How many of the 488 crashes were drivers assessed to be exceeding the speed limit.*

I can confirm that the latest number of 2010 to 2019 crashes recorded in the Crash Analysis System (CAS) for State Highway (SH2) between Masterton and Featherston is 489, as at 5 October 2021. I note that due to police reporting time frames and subsequent data processing, there is a lag from the time of a crash to full and correct crash records being present within the CAS, meaning more records could be added over time.

This data you have requested is provided to you in the following attached spreadsheet (OIA-8847.xlsx). The data in the spreadsheet should be read in conjunction with the caveats on the first page of the spreadsheet.

With regards your third question, CAS does not record whether the driver was exceeding the speed limit. This is because there is not usually any certifiable evidence to suggest that the driver was in fact exceeding the speed limit; for example, a speed camera record. However, we have provided a list of all speed factors for the 37 crashes where it was recorded by police as a contributing factor, and the number of crashes for each factor.

In accordance with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website with your name and contact information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Mel Smalley, Manager Data Services, by email to mel.smalley@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Galina Mitchelhill', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Galina Mitchelhill

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