

1 July 2024

s9(2)(a)

REF: OIA-15391

Dear s9(2)(a)

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

Thank you for your email of 15 May 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I request all the information that NZTA has regarding Kauri corner slip on the Brynderwyns. This must also include the initial Geotechnical assessment, the assessment done after the slip including the reasons why it happened. And also documents showing where NZTA is investigating where responsibility lies for any poor workmanship including design faults.*

In your email of 21 May 2024, you clarified your request to be for the information that NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) holds that relates to why the two recent slips at Kauri Tree Corner occurred. This should include all reports, emails, briefings, correspondence with the contractors that relate to what happened and why it may have happened. The timeframe for this information is from 20 April 2024 to 21 May 2024.

The following documents in the appended schedule fall within the scope of your request and are enclosed.

Certain information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to protect the privacy of natural persons.

The Tonkin and Taylor report – Brynderwyns Landslide Remedial Treatment Review is being refused under section 18(d) of the Act, as the report is publicly available and can be found here: [www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/projects/sh1-brynderwyn-hills/SH1-Brynderwyn-Hills-slip-remedial-treatment-review-letter-report-PJM-Rev-4-15052024\\_Redacted.pdf](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/projects/sh1-brynderwyn-hills/SH1-Brynderwyn-Hills-slip-remedial-treatment-review-letter-report-PJM-Rev-4-15052024_Redacted.pdf).

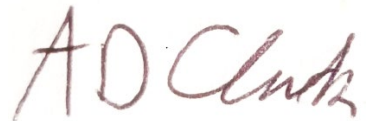
With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

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

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

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 brown ink that reads "AD Clark". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized.

**Andrew Clark**  
National Manager, Maintenance & Operations

**OIA-15391 Document Schedule**

Ref	Document	Date	Description
1.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUE-SE-DR-GT-3204	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
2.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3221	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
3.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3222	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
4.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3223	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
5.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3224	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
6.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3225	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
7.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3226	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
8.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3227	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
9.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3228	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
10.	1-11264.01-WSP-SDUS-SE-DR-GT-GT3111-GT3121-29-GT3229	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
11.	Cross Section 45 Deg Bench Cut	29 April 2024	Released in full.
12.	Fw_ E South_ F Cut top down Work Instruction	7 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
13.	Fw_ Todays Slip At Area F	29 April 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).

14.	Plan 45Deg Cut With Bench Cut	29 April 2024	Released in full.
15.	Re_ Slip Chronology	10 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
16.	Slip Pix Rev 12	23 May 2024	Certain information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
17.	Tonkin and Taylor report – Brynderwyns Landslide Remedial Treatment Review	15 May 2024	Publicly available, refused under section 18(d).