

12 December 2024

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REF: OIA-16810

Dear [REDACTED]

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

Thank you for your email of 31 October 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*...a copy of the tolling assessment of Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway that was presented at the 19 March 2020 NZTA Board meeting and any correspondence or advice from NZTA to the Minister relating to this, along with any responses from the Minister.*

*This information should also include BRI-1912, Attachment 1 which is referenced in oia-16420-attachment 11 - 04, along with any other relevant documentation.*

The following documents fall within the scope of your request and are enclosed:

- Attachment 1 – 2020 Te Ahu a Turanga Tolling Assessment Summary
- Attachment 2 – BRI-1912 Road Tolling recommendations

Please note, certain information has been withheld from Attachment 1 under section 9(2)(j) to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

Additionally, certain information has also been withheld from Attachment 2 under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

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.

There were no further documents or communications to or from the Minister of Transport at this time regarding the Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway tolling assessment.

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

In line with NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (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 Ministerial Services, by email to [official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robyn Elston', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

**Robyn Elston**

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