

19 December 2024

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REF: OIA-17167

Dear ██████

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 6 December 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Regarding the proposed Desert Road closure, we require the full contract and GPS coordinates for the start and end points of the resealing [...]. We also require the contract for the bridge deck replacement so we can have this audited also.

For the renewal work scheduled to occur within the closure in 2025, GPS co-ordinates are outlined as follows:

1. 01N-0753 Start 6216 Ends 8607 – Poutu to Rangipo Prison:

	Easting	Northing
Start	1843925.44576053	5673926.51351415
End	1843535.19808254	5671707.08200892

2. 01N-0763 Start 4265 Ends 7563 – Puketerata Hill:

	Easting	Northing
Start	1842472.54663402	5666861.73936866
End	1840447.62546469	5664271.20969672

3. 01N-0777 Start 5929 Ends 6487 – Mangatoetoe-nui:

	Easting	Northing
Start	1836243.18996026	5655603.66048711
End	1836081.10142785	5655093.50787816

This is 77,000m² of rehabilitation work.

We cannot disclose the contracts for the SH1 Tīrau to Waiouru (T2W) maintenance project or the bridge replacement as these contain commercially sensitive information and would be in break of our confidentiality agreement with our suppliers.

This information is therefore withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the Act as it is necessary to protect information, where making it available would likely prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information. This information is also withheld under section 9(2)(ba)(i) Act to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence where making it available would likely prejudice the supply of similar information, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

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 part of this information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at 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 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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