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Dear Kevin

## Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 21 April 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I am requesting detail on the road alignment along the stretch of SH67 from 115 Buller Rd to 161 Buller Rd. This area is just a kilometre or so from the Buller Bridge.

The road running alongside 2/127 Buller Rd seems to have a confused boundary [...]

[...] The correspondence I am interested in is that between NZTA and associated agencies since 2018. Could I please request copies of correspondence between NZTA and others with an interest in that short stretch of road and in particular that alongside 2/127 Buller Rd.

The information you have requested is covered by your interactions with the Property Group who were acting on NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) behalf. This is summarised in the table below.

26 February 2019	Surveyor referral and contact with The Property Group (TPG) regarding potential encroachment onto 127 Buller Road.
27 February 2019	TPG request to NZTA for instructions to act and NZTA confirmation of instructions.
5 June 2019	Surveyor enquiry on progress.
10 June 2019	Phone call with landowner to discuss project.
11 June 2019	Initial Landowner letter.
21 June 2019	Meeting with landowner on site.
10 July 2019	Email to landowner with update regarding valuer appointment timeframes.
2 August 2019	Request for Crown valuation fee estimates
22 August 2019	Owner enquiry on progress.
26 August 2019	TPG update to owner.
19 September 2019	NZTA approval for valuer engagement and valuer engaged.
25 September 2019	TPG to owner update on valuer engagement.

22 October2019	Crown valuation report
4 November 2019	TPG to owner with proposed compensation.
11 December 2019	TPG follow up on owner on valuer engagement.
14 April 2020	TPG follow up on owner on valuer engagement.
10 November 2020	Owner request for survey prior to valuer engagement to determine total area.
11 November 2020	TPG to owner regarding survey after agreement entered into.  Owner advice that he will seek valuation advice.
15 April 2024	Correspondence from owner regarding boundary pegs. Correspondence from TPG to NZTA to advise of issue.

All correspondence that falls in scope of your request has already been provided to you by the Property Group. However, should you wish to receive another copy of the correspondence, we are happy to provide you with that.

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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