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Dear Cody

Thank you for your email of 5 November 2023 regarding paused funding for active transport projects.

Waka Kotahi has not paused funding for any activity class from the National Land Transport Fund (the fund). Investment decisions about the fund are made in line with the Government's priorities and objectives set out in the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS).

We have paused funding managed under the Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF) Programme, which includes the Transport Choices programme. This programme is funded directly by the Crown and decisions on it rest with Ministers rather than with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency.

In line with the conventions of operating in a caretaker Government period, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency has therefore paused making any further CERF Programme funding commitments with councils and other Approved Organisations for both the Transport Choices programme and VKT Reduction planning work until we receive clear direction from the incoming Government on its transport investment priorities.

We have informed affected council partners and we will provide further updates as we receive direction from the incoming Government.

If you would like to discuss this matter further with Waka Kotahi, you are welcome to contact us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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