

23 May 2024

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REF: OIA-15242

Dear Darren

Official Information request for documents linked in Transport Services project management guide (SM011)

I refer to your official Information request dated 28 April 2024 for copies of all documents linked in the Transport Services project management guide (SM011).

Due to the substantial amount of work that would be required to research and collate the information you have requested, we are refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your request is for a large number of documents that would require a large amount of staff time and resources to collate and assess.

We have considered whether charging or extending the timeframe for responding to your request would help, as required by section 18A of the Act. However, given the broad nature of your request as it stands, it would not lessen the substantial collation exercise that would be required.

We have consulted with you as required by section 18B of the Act on 8 May 2024. However, while we asked you to respond to our request for refinement, we have not had a response from you.

I note that of the 142 hyperlinks in the document, one is publicly available at <https://austroads.com.au/infrastructure/project-delivery/guide-to-project-delivery>.

The majority of the documents linked are not designed for use outside of NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) but for use by NZTA Project Managers. You are welcome to submit a request seeking specific documents.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you would like to discuss this reply with us, please feel free to contact the Ministerial Services team by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz. We would be able to provide further assistance should you remain interested in obtaining documents from the SM011 guide.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JS', is positioned above the name and title.

James Sorensen
Manager, Ministerial Services