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Tēnā koe Kieran

I refer to your email dated 8 July 2024, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"On 8/7/24 Minister Brown in a report on RNZ
(https://apc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.rnz
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ved=0) references a cost-benefit analysis that was completed in order to justify
speed increases around the country. Under the Official Information Act, I am
requesting all information regarding that cost-benefit analysis."

The Ministry of Transport (the Ministry) considered the costs and benefits of the draft Setting of Speed Limits Rule 2024 (the draft Rule) as part of its work on the interim Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS). The RIS considered the safety impacts of the rule, namely the expected impact on deaths, serious and minor injuries. However, as the RIS notes, these impacts cannot be quantified due to a range of factors.

As the RIS has been published on the Ministry's website, I am refusing your request under Section 18(d) of the Act – the information is publicly available on the Ministry's website: https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Setting-of-Speed-Limits-Interim-RIS.pdf.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

The Ministry publishes our Official Information Act responses and the information contained in our reply to you may be published on the Ministry website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

Nāku noa, nā

Joanna Heard

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