

24 January 2025

James
fyi-request-29464-233020c1@requests.fyi.org.nz

REF: OIA-17161

Dear James

Extension of time to respond to request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 6 December 2024 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). After your refinement of 17 January 2025, we understand you are seeking the following information:

- 1. The total costs incurred if any for work undertaken by NZTA in relation to the recent Hikoī in November. This should include costs from initial contact through to final execution for the Hikoī throughout NZ.*
- 2. Please detail what actions/role/ part NZTA had in facilitating the hikoī.*
- 3. Please provide the number of staff and total time that staff worked on the hikoī.*
- 4. Please provide all documentation/approvals regarding healthy and safety assessments, insurance.*
- 5. Please provide the initial contact emails between NZTA and the Hikoī organisers - this should include introductions, best contacts moving forward, and early questions around planning and clearly demonstrate who the NZTA was dealing/meeting with.*
- 6. Please provide any emails that that were to/from/cc'd to Eru Kapa-Kingi or any representative from the Māori party.*

The Act requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit, and we are therefore writing to notify you that we are extending the 20-working-day time limit as allowed for under section 15A of the Act. We need 10 more working days to fully consider and respond to your request and will send you our response on or before 11 February 2025.

This extension is necessary because your request requires us to carry out consultations before a decision on your request can be made. Therefore, a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about the extension. More information about the Ombudsman is available online at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss the extension with NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi, please contact Ministerial Services by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leisa Coley', with a small dot at the end.

Leisa Coley
National Manager Government Relations and Media