

28 May 2026

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REF: OIA-22224

Dear Nigel

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

Thank you for your email of 17 May 2026 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1. Research, studies, or analysis held by Waka Kotahi Please provide all documents, reports, internal analyses, briefings, memos, emails, or data extracts relating to:

The relationship between traffic-signal outages (planned or unplanned) and traffic-crash frequency or severity.

[...]

2. International evidence held or reviewed by Waka Kotahi Please provide:

Any literature reviews, international research summaries, or comparative assessments relating to crash risk during traffic-signal outages.

[...]

3. Data held on traffic-signal outages

For the period 1 January 2010 to the present, please provide:

Any datasets, logs, or records of traffic-signal outages, including date, time, duration, and location.

Any metadata describing how outages are recorded, categorised, or stored.

Any documents describing how outage data is used operationally or analytically.

[...]

4. Crash Analysis System (CAS) capability and limitations Please provide:

The list of CAS variables relevant to intersections and traffic-control devices.

[...]

5. Internal consideration of the issue

Please provide any documents, emails, or internal discussions relating to:

Whether Waka Kotahi has ever considered studying the safety impact of traffic-signal outages.

[...]

6. Future plans or system upgrades

Please provide:

Any planned or proposed upgrades to traffic-signal monitoring systems.

[...]

7. Clarification of responsibilities

Please identify:

Which agency or agencies are responsible for monitoring, recording, and analysing traffic-signal outages.

[...]

This letter is to advise you that NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) is extending the 20 working days available to respond to your request, as allowed for under section 15A of the Act. We require an additional 20 working days and will send you a response on or before 14 July 2026.

The deadline is being extended as your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with our operations. During this time, we will be collating information in relation to part 3 of your request regarding the location, date and time of outages. This information will then be used to inform whether further data, such as crash statistics, can be provided.

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 NZTA, please email the Ministerial Services team via email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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