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Dear Chris

Government priorities for land transport

The Government has identified a number of areas where it is seeking change in the type of projects and programmes that are given priority for land transport investment. One of the priorities that the Government has identified is the Auckland East-West Link where it is seeking a lower cost, better value option.

I am therefore writing to you to invite the Board to identify how it believes a lower cost, better value Auckland East-West link could be achieved. This letter is not formal consultation over any prospective Government Policy Statement on and transport (GPS) or seeking your advice on its development. However, I would welcome the Board identifying how it could respond to the priority above.

I am looking to make decisions on the GPS over the coming weeks. I would appreciate your reply in time for the Ministry of Transport to advise me on any potential amendments to the GPS.

I would also welcome a report from you, once the National Land Transport Programme 2018-2021 has been developed that identifies how the Board has prioritised and reprioritised projects within the Programme given Government priorities signalled in the new GPS. For my information, I would appreciate this report giving examples of the key projects affected.

Yours sincerely

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