20 March 2019

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REF: 0IA-4772

Dear Andrew

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

Thank you for your email of 28 February 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

'Status of the Tauranga Northern Link Project and the allocated funds associated with that project Please provide detail on the Tauranga Northern LInk project especially confirming the \$220million allocated to this project and where that money currently is. Ideally, please provide minutes of meetings and board meetings where this road has been discussed over the past 2 years Please include any minutes that include the minister of transport.'

This letter is to advise you that the NZ Transport Agency 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 5 working days to respond to your request. We will send you a response on or before 4 April 2019.

The deadline is being extended because of the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request. A thorough response to your request cannot reasonably be made within the 20 working day limit.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to extend this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

If you would like to discuss the extension with the Transport Agency, please email official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

Leisa Coley Manager, Ministerial Services