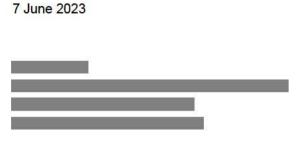


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## Dear

## Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 9 May 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I wish to seek a copy of any advice provided to the Minister of Transport from NZTA regarding the announcement of a new bridge on State highway 25 on 9 May 2023.

There is one document in scope of your request *BRI-2762 SH25A Taparahi*, *Kōpū* to *Hikuai*, *Rebuild Announcement*, dated 5 May 2023. Certain information is withheld from the document under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons. The phone numbers of Waka Kotahi staff have been considered out of scope, as you did not indicate that they were required as part of your request.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

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

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

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