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Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 22 May 2024 for the following briefings:

- BRF 24-304 Options for addressing land acquisition challenges under the Public Works Act 1981 received date 23/02/24
- BRF 24-357 received date 27/03/24
- BRF 24-387 received date 16/04/24
- BRF 24-406 received date 02/05/24.

Please see attached a copy of BRF 24-304, Options for addressing land acquisition challenges under the Public Works Act 1981. Some information has been withheld as outlined below:

"Appendix 1: Detailed information on PWA delay areas" has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act 1982 as release would prejudice the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials, and this information is subject to ongoing decisions by Ministers. Sections in two paragraphs relating to this Appendix have also been redacted under section 9(2)(f)(iv).

A signature has been redacted under section 9(2)(a) in order to protect personal privacy; the name of the signatory has not been redacted.

The section headed "Crown Law advice – legally privileged" has been redacted under section 9(2)(h) of the Official Information Act as it is legally privileged. A further reference to the advice has also been redacted.

We have withheld the entirety of BRF 24-357, BRF 24-387 and BRF 24-406 under section 9(2)(f)(iv), as they relate to decisions still under active consideration by Ministers and section 9(2)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers.

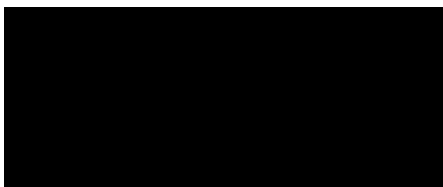
We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This is likely to be published by 31 July 2024

Nāku noa, nā



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