

6 November 2024

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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 6 October 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

As you know, s9(2)(f)(iv) is time-limited, lasting only until a decision is made. The list of fast-track projects was publicly announced today, so that protection has now expired. Will you therefore be sending me the redacted schedule from document 2, or will I be going to the Ombudsman to get them to enforce the law?

As noted in our letter of 4 November 2024, the Ministry has decided to grant your request. The schedule that you have requested is now attached in full. We thank you for your patience.

In response to your email requesting justification for the delayed release, necessary consultations with appropriate parties concluded late in the afternoon of 4 November 2024. Therefore, the material could not be released to you by the end of the working day. We issued this decision on your request as we required a short amount of time to finalise the information for release.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision on this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

Stephanie Frame

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