



22 December 2021

Tony Randle

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Dear Tony Randle

Thank you for your email of 26 November 2021 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I am interested in the information used by the MFE to support the above definitions of rapid transit service in the UPS.

1) Can the MFE please provide copies of the reports, presentations and/or working papers where the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" were discussed and/or analysed for use in the UPS?

2) Can the MFE please provide copies of the reports, presentations and/or working papers used to support the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" in the UPS?

3) Can the MFE please provide the definition of "quick" it used in deciding whether an Auckland PT service meets the "rapid transit" service speed criteria outlined in the UPS?

4) Can the MFE please provide the definition of "frequent" it used in deciding whether an Auckland PT service meets the "rapid transit" service frequency criteria outlined in the UPS?

5) Can the MFE please provide the definition of "reliable" it used in deciding whether an Auckland PT service meets the "rapid transit" service reliability criteria outlined in the UPS?

6) Can the MFE please provide the definition of "high-capacity" it used in deciding whether an Auckland PT service meets the "rapid transit" service capacity criteria outlined in the UPS?



7) Can the MFE please provide the definition of "a permanent route (road or rail) that is largely separated from other traffic" it used in deciding whether an Auckland PT service meets the "rapid transit" separated from other traffic criteria outlined in the UPS ?

8) Can the MFE please provide copies of the correspondence with Auckland Transport and/or Auckland Council or any other local government councils or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Onehunga Line would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

9) Can the MFE please provide copies of the correspondence with Waka Kotahi or any other government ministries, departments or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Onehunga Line would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

10) Can the MFE please provide copies of the correspondence with the Wellington City Council, Greater Wellington Regional Council or any other local government councils or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

11) Can the MFE please provide copies of the correspondence with Waka Kotahi or any other government ministries, departments or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

12) Can the MFE please provide copies of the correspondence with Waka Kotahi, The Road Efficiency Group or any other government ministries, departments or agencies where there was discussion on the One Network Framework and its alignment with the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" in the UPS?"

The Ministry for the Environment is extending the timeframe for its response to your request under section 15A(1)(a) and 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as your request is for a large quantity of information and the consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original timeframe. We will now respond to your request on, if not before, 28 February 2022, which is an extension of 30 working days.



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.

If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Edward Firth'.

Edward Firth
Acting Manager, Ministerial Services