



17 November 2023

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Snapshot Research NZ
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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 19 October 2023, in which you asked for data we hold concerning our bridge assets which includes the following details:

- *material bridge made out of*
- *value of asset*
- *cost of build*
- *cost of replacement*
- *Year of build*
- *design life*
- *Expected rebuild/replacement date*
- *Size*
- *Who built the bridge (i.e the civil contractor) and or if different*
- *Who supplied the bridge (won the contract).*
- *cost of replacement (broken down by earthworks vs structure cost if known)*
- *Can we get this broken down by*
 - *Service bridge vs non service (i.e service, pedestrian, cycle, etc..)*
 - *Bridge type (boardwalk, clip on, suspension bridge plus any other types you have)*
 - *Region/ Council it falls under*
- *Importantly, if available any forecasting data you have on bridge building for the next 5 years. What bridges are you expecting to*
 - a. *build or rebuild, and*
 - b. *upgrade/repair*

If data could be provided in an Excel file that would be great.'

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982.

On 2 November 2023 you agreed to clarify your request to include information DOC already held and could gather without substantial collation and research. You also requested a DOC contact for additional questions you may have regarding our bridge assets (see end of letter).

Information within scope of your request has been collated and accompanies our response as a single spreadsheet attachment (outlined below):

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	8/11/2023	Bridge request data (Excel file)	Released in part

I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed above, subject to information being withheld under one or more of the following sections of the Official Information Act, as applicable:

- personal contact details of officials, under section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people,

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and attached documents may be published on the Department's website.



Nāku noa, nā



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Te Papa Atawhai