

Westmead to the Bays and Sydney CBD SS1-10038 Dear Sir/Madam,

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As a resident and homeowner of Five Dock I am absolutely OPPOSED to the SydneyPARTMENT OF Metro. PLANNING, INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT

My reasons against this proposal.

- 1. First and foremost, like many other transport infrastructures in Sydney, this one is yet another to become an UNNECESSARY white elephant. It does not go anywhere people want to actually go. The Light rail already exists and it DOES go where people want to go and it is easily accessible from Five Dock. Is this project worth it? Who will actually use it? Is it needed? Do people require it to earn a living and get resources? I strongly doubt it. We don't need the Metro. Who does it actually benefit and serve?
- 2. Secondly, it will carve up and ruin yet another suburb of Sydney. The aim of Canada Bay council for the last couple of years has been to beautify Five Dock and create a village atmosphere with tree planting and flower beds and outdoor cafes. The metro will totally destroy that. It threatens to destroy small businesses which have already been established. The Metro is too big for a "village" suburb such as Five Dock. Why does a quiet, residential suburb like Five Dock need this? It doesn't. The Metro will destroy another pocket of Sydney and people are sick of more unnecessary development.
- The project will create disruption to residents' day to day functioning and 3. create more traffic and congestion to an already congested area. This will occur for a very long time during and continue after the project is completed. The Metro will cause chaos where chaos is NOT APPRECIATED. COVID has been enough of a disaster but soon business will get worse at downtown Five Dock, as people like myself, will avoid going there to shop and support local businesses if the project starts.
- 4. Noise pollution as machinery works constantly. The Metro will negatively impact our health and well-being. No explanation needed.
- 5. Detrimental flow-on effects to residents who live in very close proximity to the project. Will people be parking in our narrow local streets to board the Metro?? This will take away our parking and bring unwanted traffic flow to our already overloaded streets. The Metro will heavily disadvantage residents who live close by. Will we see trucks going up and down our residential streets for months and months? More unnecessary stress.

These are my reasons AGAINST the project. The idea of this proposal, shows, yet again, a disregard for the residents of this city and for this particular suburb of Five Dock. Unfortunately, the aim of this government seems to be to systematically ruin suburbs and have "progress at any price" over resident's desire for stability and peace. Disappointing. Get rid of it.

Yours sincerely.