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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <u>Kate Chahman</u>
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I call on the Minister for Planning to reject this project and demand that the government re-think the transport planning for the whole metropolitan area.

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1. The EIS at 7-21 states that Community Update Newsletters were distributed to residents 'near the project footprint' in many suburbs. This statement is simply not correct. No such newsletters were received by residents in central and northern Newtown. SMC was made aware of this fact, but has not responded to verbal and written requests for audited confirmation of the addresses 'letterboxed'. This statement of community engagement should be rejected by the Department.
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I submit this objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, and ask that the Minister reject the application.

- ❖ There has been no independent consideration of alternatives, in particular of a major expansion of commuter rail transport. The Department should reject this inadequate EIS and have a review of the flawed processes that have already led to massive expenditure on the inadequate option of privatised toll roads. This proposal is out of step with contemporary urban planning.
- ❖ I object to the fact that the WestConnex Traffic Model has not been released to Councils and the community.
- ❖ EIS 6.1 (Synthesis, Page 45) describes the Process for addressing project uncertainties. *"The EIS is based on the concept design developed for the project. As such, it is to be expected that some uncertainties exist that will need to be resolved during detailed design and construction and operational planning. As described in Chapter 1, construction contractors (for each stage of the project) would be engaged during detailed design to provide greater certainty on the exact locations of temporary and permanent facilities and infrastructure as well as the construction methodology to be adopted. This may result in changes to both the project design and the construction methodologies described and assessed in this EIS. Any changes to the project would be reviewed for consistency with the assessment contained in the EIS including relevant mitigation measures, environmental performance outcomes and any future conditions of approval"*. The EIS should not be approved till the bulk of these 'uncertainties' have been fully researched and surveyed and the results (and any changes) published for public comment.
- ❖ I object to the publication of this EIS only 14 days after the final date for submission of comments on the concept design. At the time this EIS was approved for publication, there had been no public response to the public submissions on the design. It was not possible that the community's feedback was considered let alone assessed before the EIS model was finalised. The rushed process exposes the fundamental lack of integrity in the feedback process and treats the community with contempt.
- ❖ Stage 3 is the most complex and expensive stage of WestConnex, yet there are no detailed construction plans. It is not enough to say there will be mitigation if negative impacts unfold. An EIS should assess risks and be able to predict whether they are worth risking and if so, what mitigation should be necessary.
- ❖ The assessment and solution to potentially serious problems described in the EIS at 12-57 (where mainline tunnels alignment crosses key Sydney Water utility services that service Sydney's eastern and southern suburbs) is *"based on assumptions about the strength and stiffness of the water tunnels given that limited information about the design and condition of these assets was available. Detailed surveys should be undertaken to verify the levels and condition of these Sydney Water assets. A detailed assessment would be carried out in consultation with Sydney Water to demonstrate that construction of the M4-M5 Link tunnels would have negligible adverse settlement or vibration impacts on these tunnels. A settlement monitoring program would also be implemented during construction to validate or reassess the predictions should it be required."* The community can have no confidence in the EIS proposals that are incomplete and possibly negligent. The EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these issues are definitively resolved and publicly published.
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- ❖ Given the high cost of the tolls and their anticipated annual increase it is also expected that there will be an increase on traffic generally on local roads as motorists avoid the tollways. This can already be seen on Parramatta Rd immediately the new M4 tolls were activated. We expect exactly the same effect in the roads around the interchange, including the Princes Highway, King St, Edgeware and Enmore Roads and through the streets of Erskineville and Alexandria.
- ❖ The EIS at 12-57 describes potentially serious problems where mainline tunnels alignment crosses key Sydney Water utility services that service Sydney's eastern and southern suburbs. Why is SMC proposing tunnelling within metres of these critical services when no accurate surveying has been done? And when there is only limited information available about the strength of these water tunnels? The community can have no confidence in the EIS proposals that are incomplete and possibly negligent. The EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these issues are definitively resolved and publicly published.
- ❖ Why the so called 'King Street Gateway' been excluded in the analysis of cumulative impacts of other projects?

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons:

- a. It is clear that the tunnel portals will be major sites for more traffic congestion. Some intersections that are currently very congested will be just as bad in 2033.
- b. No road junction as large and complex as the extraordinary spaghetti junction proposed to go underground has been built anywhere in the world. The feasibility is not tested. There are no international or national standards for such a construction.
- c. The impact of the deep tunnelling for the M4-M5 link - in addition to the tunnelling for the new Sydney Metro in the same area - in the Tempe, Sydenham, St Peters, Newtown and Camperdown and beyond is an unknown hazard to the soundness of the buildings above, and given that two different tunnelling operations will take place quite close, the people in those buildings will struggle to get repairs and compensation for loss because either contractor will no doubt blame the other.
- d. The EIS uses maps indicating alignment of the mainline tunnels. It is clear from more detailed reading deep into the EIS (ie 12-57 Sydney Water Tunnels) that the alignment and depths of the tunnels may vary very significantly, after further survey work has been done and construction methodology determined by the construction contractor. The maps provided in the EIS are nothing more than 'indicative' and are misleading the community. The EIS should be withdrawn, corrected and updated, and reissued for genuine public comment based on 'definitive' information.
- e. The justification for this project relies on the completion of other projects such as the Western Harbour Tunnel which has not yet been planned, let alone approved.
- f. Are there other potentially serious problems with Sydney Water utility services (described at EIS 12-57) or with other utilities in other suburbs or along the proposed M4-M5 tunnel alignment? If so, the EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these are all disclosed, researched, surveyed and the resolution publicly published.
- g. The increased amount of traffic the M4-M5 Link will dump on the roads to and from the St Peters, Haberfield and Rozelle Interchanges will disrupt local transport networks including bus and active transport (walking and cycling).
- h. I oppose the destruction of any more of Sydney's heritage for WestCONNex. I am appalled that Sydney Motorway Corporation is seeking approval to tunnel under hundreds of highly valued heritage buildings in Newtown without any serious assessment of risk at all. This heritage belongs to all of Sydney.
- i. I strongly object to the privatisation of the WestConnex project that turns public monies into private profit.
- j. The mechanical ventilation proposed depends on single direction tunnel construction, so how it can possibly work for large curved tunnels on multiple levels is unknown.

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- This EIS provides no basis on which to approve such a complex project including the building of interchanges underneath Sydney suburbs Rozelle and Leichhardt. It would be absurd to approve the building of up to three tunnels under people's homes on the basis of such flimsy information.
- Hundreds of risks associated with this project have not been assessed but have instead been deferred to a detailed design stage into which the public will have no input. I call on the Department of Planning to reject this inadequate EIS that has been prepared by AECOM that has multiple commercial interests in WestConnex.
- The EIS at 7-25 refers to 876 comments (limited to 140 characters) made via the collaborative map on the Concept Design 'up to July' that were considered in the preparation of the EIS. It does not mention the many hundreds of extended written submissions that were lodged in late July and early August. These critical 'community engagement' feedback submissions have clearly not been considered in the preparation of the EIS. This casts doubt over the integrity of the entire EIS process.
- Increased traffic congestion in areas around portals will increase pollution along roadsides, with predicted adverse impacts on breathing and through long-term carcinogenic effects. The maps and analysis of the pollution effects in the EIS should be presented in a way that enables them to be understood by ordinary citizens. Instead information is presented in a way that is deliberately obscure and hard to interpret.
- This EIS contains little or no meaningful design and construction detail. It appears to be a wish list not based on actual effects. Everything is indicative, 'would' not 'will', telling me nothing is actually 'known' for certain – and is certainly not included here.
- EIS 6.1 (Synthesis, Page 45) states. "..... *this may result in changes to both the project design and the construction methodologies described and assessed in this EIS. Any changes to the project would be reviewed for consistency with the assessment contained in the EIS including relevant mitigation measures, environmental performance outcomes and any future conditions of approval*". It is unstated just who would have responsibility for such a "review(ed) for consistency", and how these changes would be communicated to the community. The EIS should not be approved till significant 'uncertainties' have been fully researched and surveyed and the results (and any changes) published for public comment (ie : the Sydney Water Tunnels issues at 12-57)
- The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. Neither Stage 2 or 3 provides such access. Both the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity.
- There has been no 'meaningful' consultation with the community. Some areas affected by M3/M5 have not even been letterboxed by SMC. These include St Peters and sections of Erskineville. The SMC received hundreds of submissions on its concept design and failed to respond to any of these before lodging this EIS.
- Unfiltered stacks anywhere in Sydney are not unacceptable. There must be a review of the NSW government's unacceptable policy on this issue. I am appalled that the ex Minister for Planning Rob Stokes who approved the New M5 and unfiltered stacks in St Peters and Haberfield would declare that he would not have them in his own area. How can residents have any trust in a process that is underpinned by such hypocrisy.
- The EIS at 7-51 refers to concerns that were raised by the community that the alignment of tunnels in Newtown appeared to go to the east of King Street, an area that had had no geotech drilling or testing. SMC staff indicated at Community information sessions that the maps included in the Concept Design were broad and indicative only, and that further details would be available in the EIS. No further details have been provided. This casts doubt over the integrity of the entire EIS process.
- Other comments

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I am registering my strong objections to Stage 3 of Westconnex, the M4-M5 link for the following reasons:

1.SMC have made it extremely difficult for the community to access hard copies of the EIS. The local Glebe library only has one copy and this is the situation at other local libraries. There are very limited hours of access to these locations outside normal working hours. Access to the EIS is very difficult without access to a personal computer. This totally restricts open community engagement.

2.The EIS gives no information about changes to traffic increases entering the Sydney CBD caused by the Westconnex. Duncan Gay when asked about this, in connection to huge increases of traffic predicted to enter the city from Westconnex at St Peters, would only say that traffic would disperse! So thousands of extra vehicles would magically disperse – where? There is no plan for this. RMS has only just started work to identify which roads will need to be upgraded to deal with these vast numbers of extra vehicles entering the city. So it is impossible to form an understanding of the true Environmental impacts of this project – which is the very purpose of an EIS.

3.The Westconnex has been described as an integrated transport network solution. This is totally untrue as the role and integration with public transport and freight rail has not been assessed. The Government recently committed to a Metro West so this throws into question the need for Westconnex. This is especially so as the Westconnex business case outlines a shift from public transport to toll roads as a benefit. This needs to be justified economically. The EIS does not do this.

4. At the Rozelle Rail Yards site there will be 2 entry/exits for Heavy vehicles off the City West Link. Extra traffic controls are to be set up with extra sequences of traffic light controls to enable spoil trucks to access and exit this site. It is stated there will be 517 Heavy Truck movements as day of which 46 will be in Peak hours, plus 10 truck movements from the Crescent site. Maps showing the truck movements show that all these trucks will use the City West link. Similar maps for Darley Rd dive site also show trucks from there using the City West Link. At a consultation with a Westconnex staff member it was stated that trucks removing spoil from Camperdown dive site would be stationed and called up from James Craig Rd, so there will also be a constant movement of trucks from this location onto the City West Link. The EIS states the cumulative effect of truck movements from all sites onto the City West Link will be 700 one way Heavy truck movements a day and of that 208 will be in Peak hours. This will cause total gridlock. The EIS says other routes maybe considered; there are no details of these. This is unacceptable as it would allow a privately owned SMC to make whatever decisions they saw fit when and if the EIS is approved with no input from the community allowed.

5.The removal of Buruwan Park for road widening and the realignment of the Crescent is a particular loss of badly needed parkland. This park was established as a nature corridor and a buffer to shield the local residents from City West Link, there are mature trees on this site, it was not intended as a children's recreational area with play equipment, the description in the EIS is inaccurate. Buruwan Park also has a main cycle route running through it. The alternative route being suggested is poor and takes no account of encouraging cycling as a mode of transport. The alternative routes are based on distance only and take no account of time taken or topography. Had this been done then this would have changed the assessment for the removal of the existing cycle/walkway bridge over the City West link. There is also no mention of this bridge being replaced after construction of the Westconnex. This is not acceptable.

I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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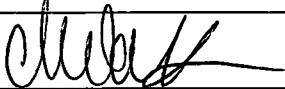
✦ The consultants for the Social and Economic Impact study is HillPDA. This company has a conflict of interest and is not an appropriate choice to do a social impact study of WestCONnex. Amongst its services it offers property valuation services and promotes property development in what are perceived to be strategic locations. HillPDA were heavily involved in work leading to the development of Urban Growth NSW and the heavily criticised Parramatta Rd Study. It is not in the public interest to use public funds on an EIS done by a company that has such a heavy stake in property development opportunities along the Parramatta Rd corridor. One of the advantages of property development along Parramatta Rd that Hill PDA promotes on its website is the 33 kilometre WestCONnex.

✦ The proposal to run trucks so close to homes is dangerous. There have been two fatalities on Darley Road at the proposed site location. The EIS does not propose any noise or safety barriers to address this. Despite the unacceptable impact to nearby homes, there is no proposal for noise walls, nor any mitigation to individual homes.

✦ There is a higher than average number of shift workers in the Inner West. The EIS acknowledges that even allowing for mitigation measures such as acoustic sheds and noise walls, shift workers will be more

vulnerable to impacts of years of construction work and will consequently be at risk of a loss of quality of life, loss of productivity and chronic mental and physical illness.

✦ Because this is still based on a "concept design" it is unknown how the communities affected will not know what is being done below their residences, schools, business premises and public spaces, particularly if the whole project is sold into a private corporation's ownership before the actual designs and construction plans are determined. The EIS makes references to these designs and plans being reviewed but there is NO information as to what agency will be responsible for such reviews or whether the outcomes of such reviews will be made public. The communities below whose homes, business premises, public buildings and public spaces this massive project will be excavated and built will be completely in the dark about what is being done, what standards it is supposed to comply with, what inspection or scrutiny it will subject to, and whether the private corporations undertaking the work will be held to any liability by our government.

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- o Environmental issues – contamination – Leichhardt: The EIS states that Darley Road is a contaminated site, likely including asbestos. There is a risk to the community associated with spoil removal, transfer and handling. We object to the selection of the site based on the environmental risks that this creates, along with risks to health of residents.
- o Location of permanent Motorway operations complex on Darley Road – Leichhardt: We strongly object to the proposed location of this permanent operational facility on Darley Road. The presence of this site contradicts repeated assurances to the community that the site would be returned after construction was completed. The ongoing presence of this site will limit future uses of the Darley Road site which could serve community purposes, particularly given its location directly next to public transport. Its presence removes the ability to provide more accessible, safer and direct pedestrian access to the North Leichhardt Light Rail Station. The plant location, in a neighbourhood setting is not appropriate. It will reduce property values and have unacceptable impacts on the visual amenity of the area. The streets adjacent to Darley Road are comprised of low-rise residential homes and small businesses and infrastructure such as this should not be permitted in such a location.
- o Alternative housing for residents – Leichhardt: The EIS needs to provide specific detail as to what will be provided by way of alternative accommodation to the 36 residents identified as suffering extreme noise interference. There is no plan to temporarily relocate such residents, not to offer them financial compensation to enable them to move out during the worst period. There is an estimated 10 weeks of extreme noise during demolition of the commercial building and preparatory road works. Once this work is finished the residents will also be forced to endure a truck every 304 minutes for a period of five years. It is clearly not possible for such residents to continue to live in these houses and the EIS needs to detail what will be provided in terms of alternative living arrangements for part, or all of the construction work period.
- o Access tunnel from Darley Road – Leichhardt: The EIS contains no detail of the access tunnel from the Darley Road site to the mainline tunnel other than depicting the route. The approval conditions need to ensure that tunnelling is occurring at sufficient depth so as to not jeopardise the integrity of the homes and not create unacceptable vibration and noise impacts for James Street residents and those at adjacent streets. The approval conditions need to make clear the period of time for which the 'temporary' tunnel is to be used.

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- Environmental issues - Substation and water treatment plant – Leichhardt: The EIS states that darley Road is a contaminated site, and likely has asbestos. The proposal is that 'treated' water will be directly discharged into the stormwater drain at Blackmore oval. There are four long-standing rowing clubs in the vicinity of this location. This plan will jeopardise the integrity of our waterway and compromise the use of the bay for recreational activities for boat and other users. We object in the strongest terms to this proposal on environmental and health reasons. There is no detail of the ongoing Motorway maintenance activities during operation provided in the EIS. The community therefore cannot comment on the impact that this ongoing facility will have on the locality. This component of the EIS should not be approved as this information is not provided and therefore impacts (on parking, safety, noise, amenity of the area) are not known.
- Flooding – Leichhardt: The EIS states that there may be impacts from flooding which, amongst other things, may disrupt drainage systems. There is no detail as to how the issues with flooding at Darley Road will be managed and on their potential impact on the area. (Executive Summary, xxi)

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- Risk of settlement (ground movement) – Leichhardt: The EIS states that 'settlement, induced by tunnel excavation, and groundwater drawdown, may occur in some areas along the tunnel alignment). The risk of ground movement is lessened where tunnelling is more than 35 metres. However, it is proposed to tunnel at 29 metres under Hawthorne Parade Haberfield and only 35 metres at Elswick Street North. This proposed tunnel alignment creates an unacceptable risk of ground movement. (Executive Summary, xvii). The EIS states that damage will be rectified at no cost to residents with no detail as to how this will occur or the likely extent of property damage. The project should not be approved on the basis that it creates a risk of property damage that cannot be mitigated against so as to bring the risk to an acceptable level.
- Impact on Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal – Leichhardt: The Hawthorne canal, which is the closest waterway to the Darley Road site, is described in the EIS as a 'sensitive receiving environment'. (Executive Summary, xix). Darley Road is a contaminated site with asbestos and the water treatment plant to be established during construction proposes running water from the treatment plant directly into the waterways. The permanent water treatment plant will involve water from the tunnel discharged to local stormwater systems and waterways, therefore this is a permanent impact. This proposal will further compromise the quality of the waterway and impact on the four rowing clubs in close vicinity.
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- Accidents – Leichhardt: I object to the proposal to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site because of the unacceptable risk it will create to the safety of our community. The traffic forecasts indicate that Darley Road will have 170 heavy and light vehicle movements a day. Darley Road is a known accident and traffic blackspot and the movements of hundreds of trucks a day will create an unacceptable risk of accidents. On Transport for NSW's own figures, the intersection at the City West Link and James Street is the third most dangerous in the inner west. The addition of hundreds of heavy truck movements a day into that intersection will increase the risk of serious accidents for both pedestrians and drivers. The EIS states that the levels of service are expected to Darley Road is directly next to the North Leichhardt Light Rail stop which is a pedestrian hub. Children travelling to school walk to the stop. Active transport users such as bicycle riders will be at risk, along with pedestrians using Canal Road to access the Bay Run, Leichhardt pool and the dog park.
- Traffic – Leichhardt: I object to the location of the Darley Road civil and construction site because the site cannot accommodate the projected traffic movements without jeopardising the road network. Darley Road is a critical access road for the residents of Leichhardt and the inner west to access and cross the City West Link. It is already congested at peak hours and the intersection at James Street and the City West link already has queues at the traffic lights. The only other option for commuters to access the city West Link is to use Norton Street, a two-lane largely commercial strip which is already at capacity. The addition of hundreds of trucks and contractor vehicles will result in traffic grinding to a halt and traffic chaos at this critical juncture with commuter travel times drastically increased.

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- Alternative access route for trucks – Leichhardt: The EIS states that there are 'investigations' occurring into alternative access to the Darley Road site. The EIS does not provide any detail on which residents can comment about alternative access which would keep trucks off Darley Road. No spoil truck movements should be permitted on Darley Road and the plans for alternative access should be expedited. It should be a condition of approval that the alternative access is confirmed and that no spoil trucks are permitted to access Darley Road due to the unacceptable noise, safety and traffic issues that the current proposal creates.
- Existing vegetation – Leichhardt: The EIS proposes removal of all vegetation on the Darley Road site. There is a mature tree located on the site which serves as a visual and noise barrier to the heavy City West Link traffic. Removal of this tree and other vegetation will increase noise impacts to nearby residents and affect the visual amenity, with homes having a direct line of sight to the City West Link. The existing mature tree needs to be retained on this and environmental grounds.
- Indicative works program – Leichhardt: Leichhardt residents were repeatedly told by SMC that the Darley Road site would be operational for three years. The EIS states that it will be operational for 5 years. This creates an unacceptable impact for residents. The works on the site should be restricted to a three-year program as was promised.

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- ☐ The EIS does not mention the impact of aircraft noise and its cumulative impact. As such, the noise levels identified are misleading. I object to the selection of the Darley Road site because of the unacceptable noise impacts it will have on surrounding homes and businesses.

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• **Traffic and transport - construction worker parking**

I object to the Civil and Tunnel Construction site at Darley Road Leichhardt because the proponent has failed to comply with the SEARS which require that the Proponent must assess construction transport and traffic (vehicle, pedestrian and cyclists) impacts in relation to the nature of existing traffic (types and number of movements) on construction access routes (including consideration of peak traffic times and sensitive road users and parking arrangements).

In 8.3.1 of the EIS the proponent states that a car parking strategy would be developed as part of the Construction Traffic and Access Management Plan (CTAMP) to limit impacts on parking for the surrounding communities.

'The car parking strategy would include items such as forecasting of construction parking demand, review of existing parking supply and use on local streets in the area, impact on existing parking, consultation activities and proposed mitigation measures, such as management of workforce parking and transport, alternative parking arrangements and communication and engagement. This would include the identification of areas where there are high levels of existing parking demand around the construction ancillary facilities and works sites and identifying alternative car parking sites for use by the construction workforce. Processes for monitoring, reporting and corrective actions would also be part of the strategy.'

The proponent has failed to comply with the SEARS because it simply has not bothered to come up with a plan for worker parking. It is not good enough or acceptable to leave residents in the dark about such a significant impact of the proposal for a Civil and Tunnel Construction site at Darley Road Leichhardt. With its existing and current experience of operating similar sites for Stages 1 and 2 of the project the proponent should present its proposed Construction Traffic and Access Management Plan (CTAMP) as part of the EIS.

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Other comments:

THE SMOKE STACKS
 ARE TOO CLOSE TO MY
 CHILDREN'S SCHOOL

NAME:

JASON WICKER

ADDRESS:

8 BRIDGE STREET
 ERSKINEVILLE N.S.W. - 2043.

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JOHN KENNEDY

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NAME:

Corinne Grant

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Other comments: Too much traffic, poorly planned,

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Julie Hamilton

ADDRESS:

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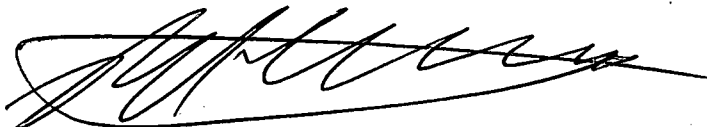
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Submission in relation to: Application Number - SSI 7485
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Please include my personal information when publishing this submission to your website Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
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Non-compliance with SEARS

I object to the proposal because it does not comply with the SEARS requirements. The EIS must include, but not necessarily be limited to, a description of the project and **all components and activities** (including ancillary components and activities) required to construct and operate it, including the location and operational requirements of construction ancillary facilities and access.

In so far as it describes the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt the EIS does not meet this requirement because it does not describe the components and activities that have been described to the community either in meetings with LAW (Leichhardt Against WestConnex) or at the WestConnex Community Reference Group established by Sydney Motorway Corporation.

The EIS has been released before the proponent is able to describe how it actually plans to carry out construction activities at Darley Road, Leichhardt, in particular the plan for staging the arrival of spoil trucks.

The proponent via its agent Sydney Motorway Corporation's employee Peter Jones has advised on several occasions that spoil haulage trucks will be staged from the Sydney Ports land on Glebe Island via James Craig Rd. This is to avoid the situation at Haberfield where trucks circle the Northcote St site as they are not able to queue to enter it creating congestion and noise impacts as they drive slowly into Wattle St and Ramsay St. before making a second run at the Northcote St site from the Parramatta Road entrance.

No details of this staged spoil haulage proposal at Darley Road, Leichhardt are provided other than that 'construction traffic may also access the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt via the westbound lanes of City West Link'.

Peter Jones from Sydney Motorway Corporation has advised that he is in the process of finalising an agreement with Sydney Ports which will enable him to stage trucks from a location on Glebe Island via James Craig Rd. The EIS should not have been released before this plan was finalised. Peter Jones has advised that he is only required to describe the 'worst case scenario' in the EIS, which is trucks arriving ad hoc via the eastbound lanes of City West Link. The EIS should describe what the proponent actually plans to do as well as the worst case scenario so that the impacts of all options being considered can be assessed and commented on.

It is not clear from the EIS how the alternative plan for the staged arrival of spoil trucks from Sydney Ports will be documented and how stakeholders will have an opportunity to assess its impacts. The EIS does not specifically state that this staged arrival plan will be documented in the CTAMP, the Ancillary Facilities Management Plan or the Preferred Infrastructure Report.

I object to the EIS on the grounds that it does not comply with the SEARS.

Construction vehicle safety impacts

I object to the EIS because the proposal in relation to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt stated therein, that 'heavy vehicles associated with spoil haulage would travel eastbound on City West Link and turn right into Darley Road, Leichhardt' presents unacceptable safety and amenity impacts.

The corner of Darley Rd (actually James St) and the City West Link is a pedestrian zone for:

- Pupils of Orange Grove Public School who live in Leichhardt
- Students of Sydney Secondary College, Leichhardt Campus who alight at Leichhardt North light rail stop
- Students of other schools along the light rail who board at Leichhardt North light rail stop
- Commuters who board at Leichhardt North light rail stop
- Residents walking to Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre and adjacent sporting facilities
- Residents walking to the Orange Grove markets on Saturdays

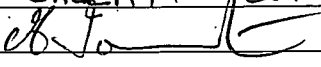
The proponents plan brings pedestrians and school children in particular directly into the path of spoil haulage trucks at an intersection found to be the third most dangerous according to Transport for NSW figures.

A further impact will be to discourage people from walking in this area leading to greater car use for local trips.

I object to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt on the above grounds.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application #SSI 7485 for the reason(s) set out below.

Noise impacts

- I object to the EIS because the proponent has not provided details of the noise mitigation measures proposed in relation to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt. As a result it is not possible to assess the noise impacts of the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt. It is unacceptable for the proponent to establish a major construction site in the middle of a residential area without a clear plan for mitigating noise impacts.

The EIS states in 6.5.8 Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) that:

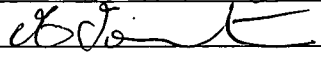
'Acoustic barriers and devices at the access tunnel entrances would be considered and implemented where reasonable and feasible to minimise potential noise impacts associated with out-of-hours works within the tunnels. In addition, temporary noise mitigation measures may include noise barriers and other temporary structures such as site buildings, which would be provided to minimise noise impacts on surrounding properties.'

Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) will create a high level of noise impact for residents yet the proponent has not given details of the plan for mitigating this impact. The measures will be implemented only if 'reasonable and feasible' which is a subjective assessment as it does not states whether they will be assessed as reasonable from the standpoint of the proponent or the residents. What the proponent thinks is reasonable may not meet the residents expectation as to what is reasonable. The measures appear to be optional as the proponent only states that that 'may include noise barriers and other temporary structures such as site buildings'.

- I object to the EIS because the proponent has not provided a clear plan for measures that will be taken to minimise noise impacts from work within and outside of standard construction hours at the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt.
- I object to the EIS because the proponent has failed to take account of the fact that the demolition of 7 Darley Road, Leichhardt will remove a significant noise barrier to traffic noise from the City West Link. This will mean increased traffic noise impacts to the residents of Darley Rd, Francis St, Hubert St and Charles St.
- I object to the EIS because the proponent has failed to take account of the noise impact of fully laden spoil haulage trucks exiting the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt driving up the very steep blind turn at the intersection with the City West Link. The RMS should install noise measuring equipment and monitoring cameras at this location to measure noise from heavy vehicles and identify vehicles whose noise that exceeds the applicable Australian standard.
- I object to the EIS because the proponent has failed to take account of the noise impact of spoil haulage trucks using air brakes on the descent down Darley Rd off the City West Link. Heavy vehicle drivers should avoid using exhaust brakes, engine compression or 'jake' brakes near residential areas and noise-sensitive areas such as hospitals and schools, unless they are necessary for safety reasons. RMS should implement noise limits from engine compression brakes and should use roadside noise 'cameras' as an aid to enforcement at every location where WestConnex vehicles emitting engine compression brake noise might affect nearby communities.

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Noise impacts

- The proponent has identified that the most affected receivers are residential receivers which adjoin the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt on Darley Road between Norton Street and Falls Street. The most noise affected receivers are located between Charles Street and Norton Street due to their proximity to the construction site.

The proponent has identified that the worst case construction scenario will occur during

- Road adjustments works
- spoil handling works within the acoustic shed during all works periods

Highest construction noise impacts:

- Use of a rock breaker during the daytime period as part of the demolition works and
- Use of a road profiler during the night-time period as part of the road adjustment works

I object to the EIS because the proponent provides that spoil handling works within the acoustic shed will take place for the duration of the construction phase which could be up to two to three years' duration, yet there is no clear plan for measures that will be taken to minimise noise impacts.

- I object to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt on the basis that there is no clear plan in the EIS for measures that will provide the maximum possible level of mitigation from noise impacts. I also object because there is no clear plan for remedies available to residents who are impacted.
- I object to the EIS because the proponent's assessment of who are Highly Noise Affected receivers in the area adjacent to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt is incorrect and wrongly minimises the actual number of Highly Noise Affected receivers.
- Many residents in Charles St and Hubert St were highly affected by noise from works conducted during the renovation of 7 Darley Rd in 2016. In Hubert St, residents at least as far as No 31 and No 32 Hubert St were affected. The affected properties are not correctly reflected in the EIS.

I object to the EIS because it underestimates the number of residents that will be highly affected by noise. It does not take account of the impact of vehicle noise from fully laden spoil trucks driving up the very steep incline from Darley Rd to the City West Link. It does not take account of the noise impact of vehicles using air brakes down the same incline and braking to enter the site.

- I object to the EIS because the proponent incorrectly asserts construction traffic is unlikely to result in a noticeable increase in LAeq noise levels at receivers along the proposed construction traffic routes (Darley Road, Leichhardt and City West Link). This does not take account of the impact of vehicle noise from fully laden spoil trucks driving up the very steep incline from Darley Rd to the City West Link. It does not take account of the noise impact of vehicles using air brakes down the same incline and braking to enter the site. The impact of these will be substantial.


Commercial trucks are very loud; a standard diesel engine produces approximately 100 decibels (dB) of noise.

Engine braking noise can be disturbing both because it is loud and also as it has a distinctive characteristic modulation. Engine braking noise is caused by pulses of gases being emitted from the truck exhaust system, giving a 'machine gun' sound.

I object to the Darley Rd site because of the level of noise that the trucks will cause.

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Noise impacts

I object to the the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt because engine noise from the trucks approaching the intersection up the grade would be a constant source of annoyance to residents of Darley Road down to its intersection with Charles Street.

The independent engineer engaged by the Inner West Council Jim Holt also came to this conclusion in his report to the Council. SMC have not recognised this impact in the EIS. They sent a response to the Council as follows:

Response: Noise from construction traffic using the public road network is assessed under the Roads and Maritime Noise Criteria Guideline (NCG), which documents Roads and Maritime's approach to implementing the Road Noise Policy (RNP). Under the NCG, an initial screening test is carried out to determine whether noise levels would increase by more than two decibels (dBA). This represents an increase in the number of vehicles of approximately 60 per cent due to construction traffic or a temporary reroute due to a road closure. Where increases are 2dBA or less, then further assessment is required as noise level changes would most likely not be perceptible to most people. Where noise levels increase by more than 2dBA (i.e. 2.1 dBA or greater) further assessment is required using criteria presented in the NCG.

Darley Road is currently being used by heavy vehicles and light commercial vehicles (construction, delivery etc) that contribute to background noises. The predicted traffic noise increase (dBA) at the Darley Road site is around 0.5dBA.

You do not need to be an acoustic engineer to know that truck and dogs are very noisy and that local residents will be impacted greatly, especially those close to where trucks will be accelerating and decelerating. Darley Road, Leichhardt is not currently experiencing 14 truck and dog movements an hour during peak time stated in the EIS and an unknown (but presumably greater) number of truck movements within off peak construction hours. This is a truck movement every 3-4 minutes during peak. Assuming that they will increase truck movements during off peak residents can expect a truck every 2-3 minutes. We do not need a screening test or assessment to tell us that residents will be subjected to extreme levels of truck noise.

SMC's response does not acknowledge this and does not refute Jim Holt's conclusion that residents will be impacted. SMC's response like the proponent's EIS fails to acknowledge the true impact of the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt.

The resident's of Darley Rd, Francis, Hubert and Charles St have little acoustic protection against the noise of truck engines, exhaust and brakes and non is contemplated in the EIS.

I object to the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt because the truck noise impacts for residents will be too great for the extended period of construction involved and the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) at Leichhardt should be rejected on this basis.

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Pedestrian and cyclist movements

- I object to the EIS because it fails to describe the temporary changes to Darley Road, Leichhardt to enable access to and from the ancillary facility that would likely be required in relation to the Darley Rd site and instead allows for the final plan to be decided by the contractor.

The EIS states in 6.5.8 Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) that:

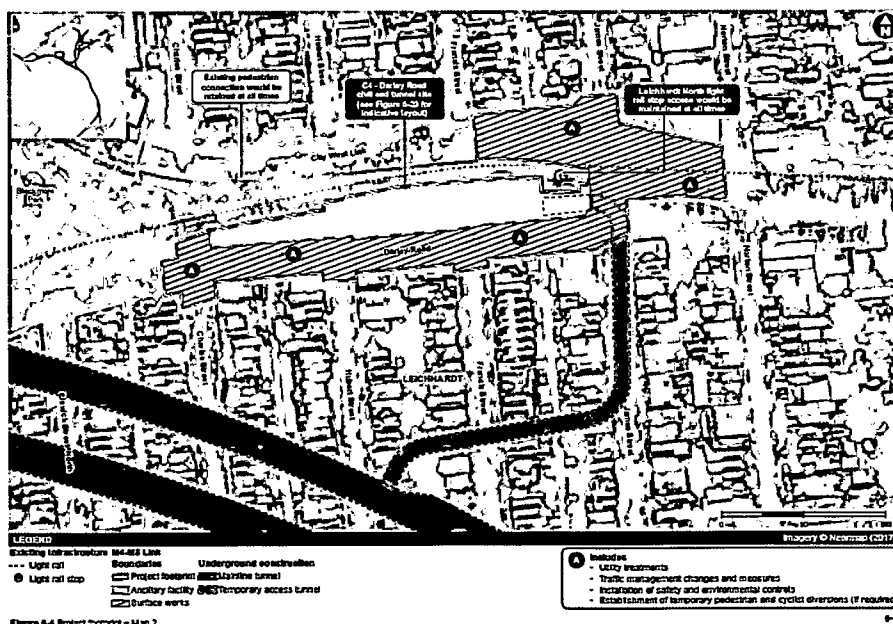
'Temporary changes to Darley Road to enable access to and from the ancillary facility would likely be required. These may include changes to line marking to provide a temporary turning lane for construction traffic and temporary diversions to the pedestrian path on the northern side of Darley Road. These would be confirmed during detailed design following the appointment of a design and construction contractor and in consideration of the safety and function of the road network, maintaining access to the Leichhardt North light rail stop and providing for continued pedestrian and cyclist movement.'

It is not clear how continued access, pedestrian and cyclist movement will be preserved and I am concerned that the impacts have not been correctly identified and assessed by the proponent.

I object to the fact that I am denied the opportunity to assess the impacts of all options. I object to the fact that I will have no right or opportunity to have input into detailed design following the appointment of a design and construction contractor.

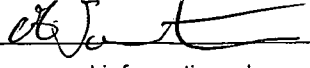
Light rail access

- I object to the EIS because it does not guarantee that the existing access to the Leichhardt North light rail stop would be maintained at all times. Fig 6-4 indicates that only the eastern access will be maintained. This greatly disadvantages the elderly and disabled who have to walk up a steep hill to the eastern access. If the proponent cannot guarantee access to the Leichhardt North light rail stop from the existing entry points or from points that are accessible to all then the Darley Road, Leichhardt construction site should be abandoned. The proponent should be directed to find a site where its operations will not impact on users of the Light Rail.



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Truck routes

- I object to the EIS because it suggests that no local roads would be used by heavy vehicles during works yet at the same time acknowledges that spoil trucks may use local roads in exceptional circumstances which include when there is queuing to get into the site. Darley Rd is highly congested with traffic queues forming during much of the day which will lead to queues to enter the site. Queuing will not therefore be an exceptional circumstance and the result will be that spoil trucks are able to use local roads without being in breach, which will be often. This is unacceptable to residents of Francis, Hubert, William and Charles St and I object to the EIS on this basis. As queuing cannot be avoided on Darley Rd this clearly shows why this location is inappropriate. The proponent should abandon a dive site completely or find a location directly on the City West Link where spoil trucks will never use local roads. Why should residents' lives be put at risk because the project must be delivered as soon as possible?
- I object to the EIS because it fails to describe the truck route options available to the proponent in relation to the Darley Rd site, which SMC have on many occasions told the community they are contemplating as alternatives.

The EIS states in 6.5.8 Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) that 'It is anticipated that the majority of construction traffic would enter the site from the southern (westbound) carriageway of Darley Road, Leichhardt via new driveways. Heavy vehicles associated with spoil haulage would travel eastbound on City West Link and turn right into Darley Road, Leichhardt. A temporary right turning lane at the intersection of City West Link and Darley Road, Leichhardt would be provided for use by construction vehicles. Heavy vehicles would exit the site by turning left onto Darley Road, Leichhardt before turning left onto City West Link.'

'Construction traffic may also access the Darley Road civil and tunnel site (C4) via the westbound lanes of City West Link.'

'Temporary traffic management measures would be established to enable access and egress arrangements. These would be detailed in a CTAMP, which would be prepared to manage construction traffic associated with the project.'

I object to the proposal for vehicles associated with spoil haulage to travel eastbound on City West Link and turn right into Darley Rd. This proposal is dangerous and the impacts and risks are too great. Darley Rd is acknowledged by RMS to be a sub-standard road in terms of its construction. The intersection from the city west link is a steep blind turn even for traffic coming across from James St. This is followed by immediate left hand turns into both Francis St and Hubert St. A number of properties on Darley Rd would be at risk of destruction from spoil haulage trucks in the event of a truck having to brake suddenly to avoid stationary vehicles.

The proponent should abandon a dive site completely or find a location directly on the City West Link where spoil trucks will never use local roads. Why should residents lives be put at risk because the project must be delivered as soon as possible?

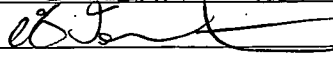
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Peter Jones of SMC has on many occasions made representations to the community that his plan is to stage trucks from the port and eventually when possible to have them arrive and depart from the site underground when a tunnel is established between Leichhardt and the M4 East. He has also said that loading of spoil would take place underground at this time. He has recently told us of his plan to load trucks from a ramp off the city west link by means of a hopper conveyor which would pass over the Light rail station delivering spoil into silos below which trucks would pull up to receive their load. The laden trucks would then travel west bound along the city west link. None of this plan is detailed in the EIS.

I object to the fact that I am denied the opportunity to assess the impacts of all options. I object to the fact that I will have no right or opportunity to have input into the CTAMP, PIR or AFMP on matters which will have a devastating impact to me and to residents near 7 Darley Rd.

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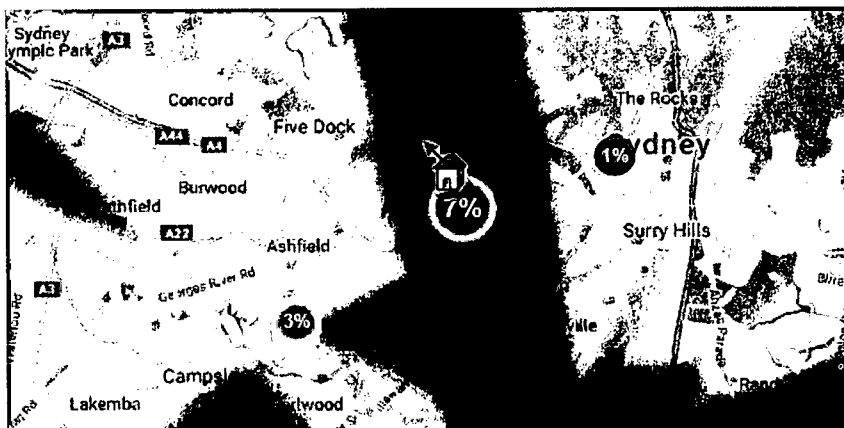
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Cumulative impacts of aircraft emissions and spoil truck emissions

- I object to the EIS because the proponent has failed to take account of the cumulative impact of emissions from spoil truck vehicles from it proposed Darley Road, Leichhardt civil and tunnel site operations and emissions from aircraft to which residents near the site are already exposed.

The attached extract from Webtrak shows that Darley Road, Leichhardt and adjacent streets are directly under the flight path.



Airplane exhaust, like car exhaust, contains a variety of air pollutants, including sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. Many of these particles of pollution are tiny, about a hundred millionths of an inch wide, or smaller than the width of a human hair. So-called particulate matter that's especially small is the main culprit in human health effects, especially since the particulates can become wedged deep in the lung and possibly enter the bloodstream, scientists say.

Exposure to loud noise from living under a flight path over a long period of time may increase the risk of developing high blood pressure or having a stroke, a 2013 study by researchers at the University of Athens suggests.

Researchers examined data from 420 people living near busy Athens International Airport in Greece and found living with high noise levels from aircraft, especially at night, was associated with high blood pressure.

Every additional 10 decibels of night-time aircraft noise appeared to result in a 69 per cent increased risk of high blood pressure, also known as hypertension.

The researchers at the University of Athens found that around half the participants (just under 45 per cent) were exposed to more than 55 decibels of daytime aircraft noise, while around one in four (just over 27 per cent) were exposed to more than 45 decibels of night-time aircraft noise.

Only around one in 10 (11 per cent) were exposed to significant road traffic noise of more than 55 decibels.

Between 2004-6 and 2013, 71 people were newly diagnosed with high blood pressure and 44 were diagnosed with heart flutter (cardiac arrhythmia), while a further 18 had a heart attack, the researchers found.

I object to the plan for a construction site on Darley Rd because in addition to the existing aircraft emissions and noise experienced by people living near the site, this will mean an additional cumulative impact of spoil truck diesel exhaust emissions and noise every 4 minutes in peak hour based on number of truck movements per hour and in excess of every 4 minutes per hour in non peak permitted construction hours. This will give rise to increased health risks from noise and air pollution which research suggest will cause increased blood pressure and risk of stroke.

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I object to stage 3 of WestConnex in it's entirety, please see attached document for further details

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15 October, 2017

Attention: Director – Transport Assessments

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My family has lived in Rozelle for over 40 years in total, the past 32 years being at our current address. Rozelle represents the best of Australian communities: people care and support each other and are passionate about protecting the unique qualities of a vibrant village. The proposal identified in the EIS threatens the very fabric of our community and puts the health and safety of thousands of people at risk.

Therefore I am writing to express my objection to the proposed Westconnex M4-M5 Link in the EIS for the following reasons and call on the Minister of Planning not to approve it.

The introduction of the EIS clearly states that the information in the EIS is “ indicative of the final design only. The reality of this statement means that the project may be completely different to stated plans in the EIS. Furthermore although the EIS indicates what is to be expected when construction begins, it also states that only after Construction Contractors have been engaged would project designs and methodologies be finally worked out and agreed upon. This may result in major changes to the project design and construction methodologies. The community would have no say in this process.

1. The proposed changes at the top of Callan Street where it meets Victoria road creates a safety issue as the westbound traffic on Victoria Road will be in a 60kmh zone and will enter into Callan Street, which is a 10kmh zone. The EIS does not address how cars will be able to make this extreme change in speed as they enter Callan Street. The proposal will not provide a safe condition for drivers on Victoria Road as they approach Callan Street or pedestrians who walk on Callan Street. In addition, Callan Street is a shared zone with cars parked partially on the foot path. This creates limited area for pedestrians to walk and further exacerbates the safety issue mentioned above, putting pedestrians at risk of being hit by drivers entering into Callan Street at high speed. This is totally unacceptable.

2. The proposed substation and ventilation facility at the corner of Callan Street and Victoria road have not been adequately described in the EIS. There is no detail regarding the decibel level of noise emanating from the substation or the ventilation facility, which is likely to exceed allowable levels for a residential area. This is unacceptable and must be addressed.

3. The Concept Design was a woefully inadequate document totally devoid of any real depth of detail in terms of maps, scales, distances with only vague suggestions and glamorized Artist's Impressions of an idealized view of what Stage 3 would be like. It was another

example of current city planning documents that consistently accentuate huge areas of tranquil green spaces with families and children out walking and riding bicycles in idealized parks and suburbs. All this is total PR spin and bears no reality about the real outcome of the build. It bears no reality as to what Stage 3 of Westconnex will be like.

4. The EIS was released just 12 days after the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. This categorically proves that all the Community Consultations and Submissions to the Concept Design were a total sham. There were at least 800 posts on the interactive map. These were limited as the community only had 140 characters available to make their point which was woefully inadequate. But there were at least 1500 written submissions, some of which were highly detailed and of considerable length. There is no way that all these submissions could have been read, considered, their arguments integrated into the EIS and then for the EIS of 7200 pages to be put together, printed and released 12 days after the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. There needs to be a major investigation into this flagrant abuse of the way NSW planning laws have been flouted for the whole of Westconnex and particularly Stage 3.

5. Rozelle Rail Yards and Rozelle Civil Site. It is clear that the most highly affected area of Stage 3 will be the Rozelle area and the massive and hugely complex Rozelle interchange. The suggestion that Westconnex is capable of building this is highly questionable. Nothing like this has been built anywhere else in the world. Considering the simple problems of dust management, noxious gasses and the handling of toxic materials like asbestos that have been so inappropriately dealt with on Stages 1 and 2 by Westconnex this intersection of Stage 3 is a disaster waiting to happen and should definitely not be allowed to proceed without a massive investigation. What has been shown in the EIS is totally inadequate for this project to be allowed to proceed.

6. In the EIS there are indications of what is to be expected in the Rozelle Rail Yards construction site and the Crescent Civil site. But the EIS states that only after construction contractors have been engaged would project designs and methodologies be finally worked out and agreed. This may result in major changes to the project design and construction methodologies. The community will have no input into this process, so the community is totally powerless to be able to comment on what will actually be proposed, how it will be carried out and what will finally be built. This is not acceptable.

7. In the EIS the Rozelle Rail Yards will have 400 car parking spaces for workers. There will be no car parking spaces at the Crescent Civil site. The daily workforce for these sites is stated to be approximately 550. This means that there will be approximately 150 additional vehicles that will not be able to park in the Construction sites on a daily basis. The EIS suggests workers use public transport. If not, they will have to park on local streets in the area. Parking is already at a premium in the surrounding suburbs and is worsening all the time with the success of the Light Rail and out of area commuters daily leaving their cars at the light rail stops. It is totally unacceptable that the local streets accommodate constructors extra vehicles on a daily basis for the construction period of 5 years in an area where parking is already at a premium.

8. There will be 5 entrances/exits to the Rozelle Yards site off Lilyfield Road for light vehicles and 2 entrances/exits for Heavy vehicles off the City West Link. The 2 entrances on the City West Link, one opposite the exit of the Crescent and one 400 metres further West on the City West Link will have to have traffic controls set up to allow trucks to access and exit. This will lead to a big increase in congestion in this area, the main route to Anzac Bridge and Victoria Rd.

9. The proposed work hours for the Rozelle Rail Yards are tunnelling and spoil handling 24 hours a day seven days a week. Civil construction Mon - Fri 7.00am – 6.00pm, Sat 8.00am - 1.00 pm. There will be no night work at The Crescent Civil Site and the daytime hours are stated to be the same as at the Rozelle Rail Yards. However as has been experienced by those at Haberfield and St Peters these hours and especially late and night work have been extended and implemented when the schedule has fallen behind and this has lead to physical and mental stress for many residents through interrupted sleep and loss of sleep especially with children. The roads and sites at night in the area will see a marked increase in noise from truck movements, truck reversing alarms and running machinery. It will also see a marked increase in light during the night hours with site illumination and vehicle head lights as has been experienced in other areas. These problems have not been properly addressed and are not adequately dealt with in the EIS.

10. Many homes around the Rozelle Rail Yards and the Crescent Civil site will be noise affected, some will be highly noise affected. The expected duration of the cumulative works is 120 weeks, almost 3 years, when noise impact will be significant so it is essential that maximum noise mitigation measures are put in place. However the EIS contains only vague details of how mitigation will be carried out. There is no requirement that measures will in fact be carried out to address noise impacts. The approval conditions need to contain specific noise mitigation measures that can be mandated and enforced. Areas that will be particularly highly noise affected are Bayview Crescent and Railway Parade, the Northern end of Rail Yard site and sections of Lilyfield Rd, Hornsey St, Quirk St and Robert St. Given their proximity, receivers located along Lilyfield Rd between Victoria Road and Gordon St which overlook the Rozelle Yards are likely to experience the greatest construction noise impact within the whole Rozelle area.

11. The EIS states that in 2016 extending a tunnel link to the South side of the Gladesville Bridge was seriously considered rather than to the Iron Cove Bridge but this was shelved due to costs. This clearly identifies a major flaw in the design where massive amounts of traffic will be emptied onto the Iron Cove Bridge, which is already above capacity. The resulting bottleneck will back up traffic well within the tunnels and add to the intensity of pollution spewing out of the proposed unfiltered exhaust stacks, especially the one proposed for Victoria Road between Springside and Callan Streets. The link to the Iron Cove Bridge is neither viable, nor necessary in achieving the objectives of this flawed project and should be scrapped.

12. The Rozelle Rail Yards site is the location of 3 Unfiltered Pollution Stacks. There is a fourth stack on Victoria Rd close to Darling St. If the Western Harbour Tunnel is built there will also be a total of 7 Tunnel Portals. Tunnel Portals are also areas of high levels of pollution. It is totally unacceptable that the Pollution Stacks are unfiltered. In 2008 Gladys Berejiklian said of Labor "It's not too late, the Government can still ensure that filtration is a possibility. World's best practice is to filter tunnels. Why won't Labor allow people to sleep at night, knowing their children aren't inhaling toxins that could jeopardize their health now or in the future?" It is totally unacceptable that the tunnels will not be filtered. Recently built tunnels in Tokyo successfully filter 98% of all pollutants.

13. The tunnels under Rozelle/Lilyfield are going to be in three levels. The EIS does not explain what safety procedures are being built into the project to deal with situations like serious congestion, accidents or fire. With a serious hold up on the deepest of these tunnels it is clear that the air quality will very quickly become toxic unless substantial air conditioning is a major part of the design. There is no in depth detail about how these issues are going to be addressed. This is not acceptable.

14. The three Pollution Stacks in the Rozelle Rail yards are shown to be 38 meters high. This is a totally inappropriate location for these Pollution Stacks. The Rozelle Rail Yards are located in a valley. The Stacks will be on land that is approximately 3.5 meters above sea level. Balmain Road between Wharf Rd and Victoria Road is at an elevation of on average 37 meters. Orange Grove Primary School is at an elevation of 33.4 meters. Areas of Hornsey Rd Rozelle are at 28 meters. Around the junction of Annandale St and Weynton St in Annandale the height above sea level is 29 meters. All these areas are in close proximity to these stacks. All the pollution being exhausted from these stacks will almost be on the same level as these locations and so will be blowing almost directly into these properties, especially in summer when many windows are open. This is not acceptable. In situations of no wind the pollution will accumulate in this valley area and make the surrounding area highly polluted. This is not acceptable. There are also at least 4 schools of Primary age children well within one kilometer of these Stacks. Young children are the most vulnerable to pollution related disease.

In summary my key Issues are:

1. I am completely opposed to the Stage 3 WestConnex M4-M5 proposal.
2. I completely oppose the Rozelle interchange.
3. I completely oppose the unfiltered exhaust stacks each side of Rozelle.
4. I completely oppose the Iron Cove Tunnel link below Rozelle.
5. I completely oppose the destruction of our suburbs; particularly Rozelle.

I implore the minister to refuse consent for the Stage 3 WestConnex M4-M5 proposals.

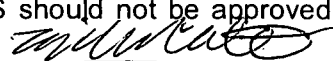
Sincerely,

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1. **Construction hours – Leichhardt.** The EIS states that works affecting parts of the surface road network 'subject to high traffic volumes' will occur out of hours. As Darley Road falls into this category it is likely residents will be subjected to regular out of hours works. This is an unacceptable impact given the EIS provides for 10 weeks of surface works. Any approval conditions need to place a reasonable and enforceable limit on the number of nights of out of hours work.
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3. **Lack of information** The EIS sets out the 'consultation' which has occurred with the community over the past 12 months. However, these consultation sessions have not provided any meaningful information. And in the EIS no detail is provided as to how impacts will be managed. For example, the traffic will be subject to a traffic management plan. What is traffic cannot be managed to an acceptable level at Darley Road? The EIS does not provide any assurance that impacts such as congestion caused by the addition of 170 vehicle movements a day at the Darley Road site, will be managed to an acceptable level.
4. **Blackmore oval.** The EIS states that Blackmore Oval was not taken for this project as a result of feedback from the community. I understand that the site was unsuitable for tunneling as it suffered from flooding and was ruled out on this basis. The EIS should not contain misrepresentations such as this.
5. **Flooding – Leichhardt.** Darley Road and adjacent streets such as Hubert St are exposed to flood. The flood impact could be exacerbated by the disruption or blockage of existing drainage networks, which are risks identified in the EIS. The EIS has not assessed whether the identified risk to the existing drainage network will cause increased risk of flood damage to flood lots and it fails to take account of the Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan which contains recommended flood modification options. The EIS has not assessed whether its drainage infrastructure will impede the Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan option HC_FM3 to lay additional pipes/culverts from Elswick Street to Hawthorne Canal (via Regent Street and Darley Road). RMS has not assessed whether its drainage infrastructure will impede Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan option HC_FM4 to lay additional pipes/ culverts from William Street to Hawthorne Canal via Hubert Street and Darley Road. The EIS should not be approved as it has not properly explained or assessed these impacts.
6. **Leichhardt North Light Rail** – The presence of hundreds of trucks and heavy machinery at the Darley Road site will make it difficult and hazardous for pedestrians to access the light rail. There is no detail in the EIS as to how this impact will be managed and the EIS should not be approved without properly identifying management strategies for this risk. Signature 

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1. **No need for 'dive' site – Leichhardt.** There is no need for the Darley Road site, other than a time saving (tunneling) of several months. It is unacceptable that the community should be forced to endure 5 years of severe disruption to accommodate the timetable of the private contractors. The EIS should not be approved on the basis that it contains provision for the Darley Road site without any proper justification as for its need.
2. **Truck routes – Leichhardt:** No trucks should be permitted on Darley Road or local roads in Leichhardt or Lilyfield. The EIS proposes that all trucks will arrive at the Darley Road civil and tunnel site from Haberfield and travel along Darley Road to the site, with a right-hand turn now permitted into James Street. The proposed route will result in a truck every 3-4 minutes for 5 years running directly by the small houses on Darley Road. These homes will not be habitable during the five-year construction period due to the unacceptable noise impacts. The truck noise will be worsened by their need to travel up a steep hill to return to the City West Link, so the noise impacts will affect not just those homes on or immediately adjacent to Darley Road. The proposal to run trucks so close to homes is dangerous and there have been two fatalities on Darley Road at the proposed site location. The EIS does not propose any noise or safety barriers to address this. Despite the unacceptable impact to nearby homes, there is no proposal for noise walls, nor any mitigation to individual homes.
3. **Alternative access route for trucks – Leichhardt:** The EIS states that there are 'investigations' occurring into alternative access to the Darley Road site. The EIS does not provide any detail on which residents can comment about alternative access which would keep trucks off Darley Road. The plans for alternative access should be expedited. It should be a condition of approval that the alternative access is confirmed and that no spoil trucks are permitted to access Darley Road due to the unacceptable noise, safety and traffic issues that the current proposal creates.
4. **Vegetation: Leichhardt.** The mature trees on the Darley Road site should be preserved. If any trees are removed during construction it should be a condition of approval that they are replaced with mature trees.
5. **Permanent substation and water treatment plant – Leichhardt:** I object to the location of this facility in our neighbourhood as out of step with the surroundings. If it is retained, then it should be moved to the north of the site, out of view from homes. The residual land should be returned for community purposes such as parkland.

* Please acknowledge receipt of this application submission.

I submit my strongest objections to the M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, and request the Minister to reject the application and require SMC / RMS to issue a true, not an 'indicative' and fundamentally flawed EIS

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- The substation and water treatment plant should be moved to the north end of the site near the City West link. This will mean that the site is less visible to residents and most pedestrian access is at this end. There are no homes that will have direct line of site of the facility if it is moved. This will also enable direct pedestrian access to the light rail without the need to use the winding path at the rear of the site which creates safety issues and adds to the time required to access the light rail stop.
- Impacts not provided – Permanent water treatment plant and substation – The EIS states that there will be an office, worker parking and buildings to accommodate this facility on a permanent basis. It does not provide any detail as to – noise impacts, numbers of workers on site, any health risks associated with the facility. This is simply inadequate and the decision to locate this facility should be subject to a thorough assessment and approval process. It should not be approved as part of this EIS as there is simply no detail provided about the impact of this facility on the amenity of the area.
- 1599 residences or thousands of residents would have noise levels in the evening sufficient to cause sleep disturbance. The technical paper in EIS acknowledges that this is the case, even allowing for acoustic sheds and noise walls. Sleep disturbance has health risks including heightened stress levels and risk of developing dementia. This is simply not acceptable.
- The site should be returned to the community as compensation for the imposition of this construction site in our neighbourhood for a 5 year period. If the substation and water treatment plant is moved to the north of the site, then the lower half of the site (which is the most accessible end) could be converted into open space with mature trees planted. As this site is immediately adjacent to the bay run, bicycle parking and other facilities that support active transport could be included. This would result increase the green space for residents and result in a pleasant green environment for pedestrians, rather than a fenced facility.
- I oppose the destruction of any more of Sydney's heritage for WestCONNex. I am appalled that Sydney Motorway Corporation is seeking approval to tunnel under hundreds of highly valued heritage buildings in Newtown without any serious assessment of risk at all. This heritage belongs to all of Sydney.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application, and require SMC and RMC to prepare a new EIS that is based on genuine, not indicative, design parameters, costings, and business case.

- A. I am concerned that while the EIS finds that tolls do weigh more heavily on lower income motorists, there is no serious analysis of the blatant unfairness of letting of private consortium toll people for decades in order to pay for less profitable tollways for wealthier communities.
- B. The EIS identifies hundreds of risks at different construction sites. In relation to these risks the EIS recommends proceeding despite the risks; or seeking a way to mitigate risks during the "detailed design" phase. That phase excludes the public altogether. That is, the M4/M5 should be approved with no calculation of risks or what mitigation may mean for impacted residents.
- C. I am concerned that the AECOM, the company responsible for the EIS, always approves knocking down heritage buildings if the project requires it. It doesn't how much value it holds for the community, it must always be destroyed.
- D. Table 6.1 in Appendix Q (Social and Economic impact) is not an accurate report on the concerns of residents. It downplays concerns of Newtown, St Peters and Haberfield residents. It does not even mention concerns about additional years of construction in Haberfield and St Peters. It raises the question of whether this is a result of the failure of SMC to notify impacted residents including those on the Eastern Side of King Street and St Peters about the potential impacts of the M4 M5
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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application
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- a. The EIS contains no detail of the access tunnel from the Darley Road site to the mainline tunnel other than depicting the route. The approval conditions need to ensure that tunnelling is occurring at sufficient depth so as to not jeopardise the integrity of the homes and not create unacceptable vibration and noise impacts for James Street residents and those at adjacent streets. The approval conditions need to make clear the period of time for which the 'temporary' tunnel is to be used.
- b. The EIS states that property damage due to ground movement "may occur. It states that subsidence may occur along tunnel paths due to tunnel excavation and water drawdown. The risk of ground movement and subsidence is greater where tunnels are less than 35 metres underground. The planned Inner West Interchange proposes tunnels in that area which are a great deal less than 35metres. The same is true for areas of Rozelle where layers of tunnels are proposed. This will definitely lead to structural damage and cracking to homes above. Without provision for full compensation for damage there would be no incentive for contractors or Roads and Maritime Services to minimise this damage. This is not acceptable
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- d. Heritage items - Camperdown. The EIS also acknowledges that the use of a rock-breaker at the outer extents of the project footprint will affect 73 residences, with five heritage items identified as having the potential to be within the 'minimum safe working distance'. While some mitigation 'considered', it is not mandated and the requirement to mitigate is limited to 'where feasible and reasonable'. The mitigation proposed seems in any event to comprise letter-boxing residents about the likely impacts! The protection of heritage items should be mandated, not just considered and there should be a strict requirement to protect such heritage items.

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- Part 3 of the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements requires assessment of the likely risks of the project to public safety, paying particular attention to pedestrian safety. This is not addressed in Chapter 8.
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- We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.
- The modelling shows severe degradation to the City West Link if the Western Harbour Tunnel is connected.
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- ✦ Experience has shown that construction and other plans by WestCONnex are often regarded as flexible instruments. Any action to remedy breaches depends on residents complaining and Planning staff having resources to follow up which is often not the case. I find it unacceptable that the EIS is written in a way that simply ignores problems with other stages of WestCONnex.
- ✦ The Darley Road site will not be returned after the project, with a substantial portion permanently housing a Motorways Operations facility which involves a substation and water treatment plant. This means that the residents will not be able to directly access the North Light rail Station from Darley Road but will have to traverse Canal Road and use the narrow path from the side. In addition the presence of this facility reduces the utility of this vital land which could be turned into a community facility. Over the past 12 months community representatives were repeatedly told that the land would be returned and this has not occurred. We also object to the location of this type of infrastructure in a neighbourhood setting.
- ✦ Rather than adding to pollution, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce emissions. It is not acceptable to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad.
- ✦ It all very difficult for the community to access hard copies of the EIS outside normal working and business hours. The Newtown Library only has one copy of the EIS, and has extremely limited opening hours. This restricted access does NOT constitute open and fair community engagement.
- ✦ *Traffic diversions - Leichhardt. The EIS states that 'temporary diversions along Darley Road may be required during construction' (8-65). No detail is provided as to when these diversions would occur; there is no provision for consultation with the community; no detail as to how long the diversions will be in place and no comment on the impact of diversions on local roads or the amenity of residents. Will diversions occur at night? If so, down what streets? Diverting the arterial traffic from Darley Road down local streets (which are not designed for heavy vehicle volumes) will result in damage to streets, sleep disturbances for residents and create safety issues. There is also childcare centre and a school near the William Street/Elswick Street intersection which will be impacted by diverting vehicles onto local roads. It is unacceptable for proposed road diversions not to be detailed whatsoever in the EIS. The EIS should not be approved without setting out the impacts of road diversions on residents and businesses.*

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- ✦ The Air quality data provided in the EIS is confusing and is not presented in a form that the community can interpret. The lack of clarity leads to a suspicion that areas of concern are being covered up.
- ✦ Acoustic shed - Pyrmont Bridge Road site - Despite setting out the noise impacts of construction at this site, the lowest grade acoustic shed is proposed as mitigation. The EIS states that the Acoustic shed performance should be 'upgraded' and the site hoarding increased to 4 metres 'in select areas.' (EIS, 10-119). No detail is provided as to how effectively these enhancements will manage the noise and vibration impacts of construction.
- ✦ The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. We now have proposals for Stages 1,2 and 3 and none achieve this goal. The community is asked to support this proposal on the basis of other major unfunded projects, which are little more than ideas on a map. This is NOT the way to plan a liveable city
- ✦ Of the six areas of disturbance and 11 Historical Archaeological Management Units (HAMUs) identified in Chapter 20 of the EIS, none are within the Sydney LGA.
- ✦ Map 2 in Vol 1A Chap 5 Pt 1 shows four intersecting tunnels, each 3 lanes wide, with four toll locations, apparently converging under Mayes, Young, Ferris, Moore, Catherine,

Hill, John, Emma, Styles, Ilka, Paling, and the many other surrounding streets. The construction of four intersecting tunnels at varying depths in a spaghetti junction network would exacerbate ground settlement and vibrations, and cause homes most of which are Federation or earlier above the Interchange to be seriously impacted.

- ✦ The EIS states that the impact on regional air quality is minimal and thus concludes that the project's impact on ozone is negligible. Ozone is a major pollutant and Western Sydney, Campbelltown in particular, suffers the worst ozone pollution. Major components of ozone are generated in eastern Sydney and drift west. Previous environment departments have spoken about the need for an eight-hour standard concentration and goal for ozone (DECCEW, 2010, State of Knowledge: Ozone). OEH needs to provide information about the value of this standard and on the impact of new motorways on that level.
- ✦ The EIS (App H, p.269) refers to the RMS plans to carry out "network integration" works surrounding the Rozelle interchange once the project is complete but offers little detail of the nature of the works. It mentions the intersection of the Western Distributor and Pyrmont Bridge Road at Pyrmont, Western Distributor near Darling Harbour and a review of kerbside uses near Western Distributor, The Crescent, Johnston Street and Ross Street.

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- The EIS states that 'a preferred noise mitigation option' would be determined during 'detailed design'. This is unacceptable and residents have no opportunity to comment on the detailed designs. The failure to include this detail means that residents have no idea as to what is planned and cannot comment or input into those plans. (Executive Summary xvi)
- The social and economic impact study notes the high value placed on community networks and social inclusion but does nothing to seriously evaluate the social impacts on these of WestCONnex. Any genuine assessment would draw on experience with the New M5 and M4 East rather than ignoring it. This lack of genuine engagement with social impact reduces the study to the level of a demographic description and a series of bland value statement
- Worker parking – Leichhardt. There is provision in the EIS for only a dozen worker car parks and no provision for the 100 or so workers who will be permanently based at the Darley Road site for up to five years. A major construction site project should not be permitted in a neighbourhood area without allocated parking for all workers. No other business would be permitted to be established without this requirement being satisfied – why is it acceptable for this project? In addition, the EIS proposes the removal of 20 car spaces used by residents on Darley Road and will remove the 'kiss and ride' facility at the light rail stop. This will result in residents being unable to park in their own street and will increase noise impacts from workers doing shift changeovers 24 hours a day.
- The removal of spoil from the Rozelle Rail Yards will lead to the largest number of spoil truck movements on the entire Stage 3 project: 517 Heavy truck movements a day, of which 46 are stated to take place during peak hours. This will lead to extra noise and air pollution in this area.
- The money spent on this stage could have been spent on modernizing the railway signal system so the train service could be improved which would benefit the communities west of Parramatta. What commuters out west really need is an extension of the heavy rail train system. I object that we were never given a choice about it.
- The accuracy of the traffic modelling outputs can only be as good as the accuracy of the inputs. Projections of key inputs relating to population and employment become very unreliable beyond 10 or 15 years. In addition to this, the transport sector is facing a potentially significant disruption from connected, automated vehicles that may have a significant impact on traffic growth. This has not been considered or modelled.

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- Flooding – Leichhardt. Darley Road and adjacent streets such as Hubert St are exposed to flood. The flood impact could be exacerbated by the disruption or blockage of existing drainage networks, which are risks identified in the EIS. The EIS has not assessed whether the identified risk to the existing drainage network will cause increased risk of flood damage to flood lots and it fails to take account of the Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan which contains recommended flood modification options. The EIS has not assessed whether its drainage infrastructure will impede the Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan option HC_FM3 to lay additional pipes/culverts from Elswick Street to Hawthorne Canal (via Regent Street and Darley Road). RMS has not assessed whether its drainage infrastructure will impede Inner West Council's Leichhardt Floodplain Risk Management Plan option HC_FM4 to lay additional pipes/ culverts from William Street to Hawthorne Canal via Hubert Street and Darley Road. The EIS should not be approved as it has not properly explained or assessed these impacts.
- The substation and water treatment plant should be moved to the north end of the site near the City West link. This will mean that the site is less visible to residents and most pedestrian access is at this end. There are no homes that will have direct line of site of the facility if it is moved. This will also enable direct pedestrian access to the light rail without the need to use the winding path at the rear of the site which creates safety issues and adds to the time required to access the light rail stop.
- 1599 residences or thousands of residents would have noise levels in the evening sufficient to cause sleep disturbance. The technical paper in EIS acknowledges that this is the case, even allowing for acoustic sheds and noise walls. Sleep disturbance has health risks including heightened stress levels and risk of developing dementia. This is simply not acceptable.
- I oppose the destruction of any more of Sydney's heritage for WestCONnex. I am appalled that Sydney Motorway Corporation is seeking approval to tunnel under hundreds of highly valued heritage buildings in Newtown without any serious assessment of risk at all. This heritage belongs to all of Sydney.
- I am completely opposed to approving a project in which the Air quality experts recommend rather than filtrating stacks extra stacks could be added later.
- The EIS was prepared by global engineering firm AECOM, which also prepared the EIS for Stages 1 and 2. When he approved these earlier stages, the then Minister for Planning Rob Stokes pointed to conditions of approval that would minimise impacts on communities. But the impacts have turned out to worse than expected.

I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

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- ◆ While the Rozelle interchange remains committed to be opened in December 2023, the design is so preliminary and so complex that it needs to be treated as another stage of the project to ensure that potential private sector funders are willing to invest, knowing they can heavily modify and/or defer the Rozelle Interchange.
- ◆ The proposed Inner West Subsurface Interchange, planned as part of Stage 1 (Vol 2B Appendix E p 1), linking the 2 mainline tunnels with the Rozelle Interchange and the Iron Cove link is of serious concern, there has been little information about the Inner West Interchange, its construction or exactly which streets it would affect. At Westconnex Information sessions held in the inner west in Sept 2017 staff state the path of the tunnels and the Interchange are 'indicative only'. How are residents expected to submit submissions without knowing if their street is affected?
- ◆ The project would take land intended for housing and employment specified in The Bays Precinct Transformation Plan.
- ◆ Significantly, there is nothing in the EIS to ensure that tunnelling would be at a sufficient depth so as not to endanger the integrity of homes, including vibration, and noise impacts. Further, without provision for full compensation for damage sustained there would be no incentive for contractors, or Roads and Maritime Services, to minimise damage to homes or indeed to have any concern for damage sustained.
- ◆ Given that these works could be undertaken to deliver toll paying drivers to the privately owned WestConnex, there is strong potential for a conflict between private profit and community impacts. The cost of any such integration works should very clearly be attributed to the Project cost, and should not impact on the available RMS budget for the State road network normal maintenance and improvement budget.
- ◆ The EIS notes that the Project would cause additional traffic congestion on a number of key roads including: Gardeners Road and Bourke Road in the south, Frederick Street (Ashfield), Johnston Street (Annandale) and numerous streets in Mascot (p.8-103). The EIS must assess and identify any upgrades that the Project will require.
- ◆ The proponent does not consider the impact of the Sydney Metro West. This project will have a significant impact on travel behaviour (and specifically mode share).

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I submit this objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, and ask that the Minister reject the application.

- 1.1599 residences or thousands of residents would have noise levels in the evening sufficient to cause sleep disturbance. The technical paper in EIS acknowledges that this is the case, even allowing for acoustic sheds and noise walls. Sleep disturbance has health risks including heightened stress levels and risk of developing dementia. This is simply not acceptable.
- There is a higher than average number of shift workers in the Inner West. The EIS acknowledges that even allowing for mitigation measures such as acoustic sheds and noise walls, shift workers will be more vulnerable to impacts of years of construction work and will consequently be at risk of a loss of quality of life, loss of productivity and chronic mental and physical illness.
- 371 homes and hundreds of residences near the Darley Rd construction site will be affected by noise sufficient to cause sleep disturbance. The EIS promises negotiation over mitigation on a one by one basis. This is not acceptable to me. On other projects those with less bargaining power or social networks have been left more exposed. There is no certainty in any case that additional measures would be taken or be effective. This is another unacceptable impact of this project and reason why it should be opposed.
- 602 homes and more than a thousand residents near Rozelle construction sites would be affected by noise sufficient to cause sleep disturbance even if acoustic sheds and noise walls are used. The EIS promises negotiation to provide even more mitigation on a one by one basis. This is not acceptable to me. As other projects have demonstrated, those with less bargaining power or social networks have been left more exposed. In any case, there is no certainty that additional measures would be taken or be effective. Experience on the New M5 has shown that residents who are affected badly by noise are being refused assistance on the basis that an unknown consultant does not consider them to be sufficiently affected. Night time noise is therefore another unacceptable impact of this project and reason why it should be opposed.
- I am very concerned by the finding that 162 homes and hundreds of individual residents including young children, students and people at home during the day will be highly affected by construction noise. These homes are spread across all construction sites. The predicted levels are more than 75 decibels and high enough to produce damage over an eight hour period. Such noise levels will severely impact on the health, capacity to work and quality of life of residents. NSW Planning should not give approval for this, especially based on the difficulties residents near M4 East, M4 Widening and New M5 residents have experienced in achieving notification and mitigation M4 east and New M5. A promise of some future plan to mitigate by a construction company yet to be nominated is certainly not sufficient.

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⇒ The assessment states that there will be a net increase in GHG emissions in 2023 under the 'with project' scenario, however under the 2023 'cumulative' scenario, there will be a net decrease in emissions (page 22-15). However, as the 'cumulative' scenario includes the Sydney Gateway and Western Harbor Tunnel projects, which are not yet confirmed to proceed, the 'with project' scenario should be considered as a likely outcome – which would see an increase in emissions. Both scenarios for 2033 show a reduction in emissions vs the 'do minimum' scenario. This is likely to rely on 'free-flow' conditions for the Project for most of the day. Should this not occur, the modelled outcomes could be significantly different.

⇒ The EIS states the Inner West Interchange would be under 3 suburbs - Lilyfield, Annandale and Leichhardt – so clearly it would cover a very extensive area (see map in EIS Vol 1A Chap 5 Part 1 p11) with drilling and danger of subsidence affecting hundreds of homes.

⇒ Increased traffic on Gardeners Road will require land use planning changes that may decrease the value of land.

⇒ The St Peters and Rozelle interchanges are of particular concern. St Peters will have large volumes of vehicles accelerating and decelerating as they enter and exit tunnels and access roads, next to proposed playing fields.

This is complicated by emissions stacks located in the Interchange – whereby pollution from the interchange is supercharged by the emissions from the stacks

⇒ Recent experience tells us that numbers of people in the ongoing construction of Stages 1 and 2 have suffered extensive damage to their homes caused by vibration, tunnelling activities, and changed soil moisture content costing thousands of dollars to rectify, and although they followed all the elected procedures their claims have not been settled. Insurance policies will not cover this type of damage. The onus has been on them to prove that damage to their homes was caused by Westconnex. Furthermore, the EIS actually concedes that there will be moisture drawdown caused by tunnelling. There is nothing addressing these major concerns in the EIS. This is what residents in Annandale, Leichhardt and Lilyfield are facing and it is totally unacceptable.

⇒ the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the EIS (Page 8-2 – Table 8-1) require the Applicant to consider the operational transport impact of toll avoidance however information provided on toll avoidance in Chapter 9.8 (Page 222) of Appendix H is limited to four short paragraphs.

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- a) I am concerned that while hundreds of impacts on resident, including noise, loss of business, dust, and lost time through more traffic congestion, are identified in the EIS, the approach is always to recommend approval and promise vague 'mitigation' in the future. This is not good enough.
- b) The removal of Buruwan Park between the Crescent and Bayview Crescent/Railway Pde Annandale to accommodate the widening realignment of the Crescent would be a particular loss of badly needed parkland in this Inner City area. Currently we have fewer parks than almost any suburb in Sydney so this would have a direct impact on local people. Buruwan Park also lies on a major cycle route from Railway Pde through to Anzac Bridge, UTS and the CBD. The alternative route being suggested is poor and takes no real account of trying to encourage cycling as a mode of transport. Cycling should be made as easy as possible to get more ordinary commuters to bicycle and the alternative to the current level route directs cyclists to Johnston St and then up Bayview Crescent arguably the steepest road in Annandale.
- c) Impacts not provided – Permanent water treatment plant and substation – The EIS states that there will be an office, worker parking and buildings to accommodate this facility on a permanent basis. It does not provide any detail as to – noise impacts, numbers of workers on site, any health risks associated with the facility. This is simply inadequate and the decision to locate this facility should be subject to a thorough assessment and approval process. It should not be approved as part of this EIS as there is simply no detail provided about the impact of this facility on the amenity of the area.
- d) The site should be returned to the community as compensation for the imposition of this construction site in our neighbourhood for a 5 year period. If the substation and water treatment plant is moved to the north of the site, then the lower half of the site (which is the most accessible end) could be converted into open space with mature trees planted. As this site is immediately adjacent to the bay run, bicycle parking and other facilities that support active transport could be included. This would result increase the green space for residents and result in a pleasant green environment for pedestrians, rather than a fenced facility.
- e) The City West Link Eastbound AM and PM peak hour and other locations. "Table 7-19 shows that several locations are forecast to exceed theoretical roadway capacity with the increased background traffic and the construction traffic in the 2021 AM and PM peak hours. However, traffic on the majority of these roads would exceed their theoretical capacity even without the construction traffic, simply due to the growth in background traffic". So in the full knowledge that this area will be at capacity in 2021, massive amounts of construction traffic are going to be added for the whole construction period of 5 years. Even on completion it is stated in the EIS that traffic will be worse in this area than 'without the project'. This categorically shows that the planning of Westconnex is totally inadequate and needs major changes. It also shows that when completed Westconnex will not work. It is abundantly obvious that Rail/Metro is the only option to radically overhaul Sydney's failed transport systems

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Your view on the application: I object to it

Attn: Secretary re WestConnex M4-M5 Link EIS, project number SSI 16_7485

I write to express my strong objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link EIS tollroad proposal.

Global experience of major toll roads demonstrates that these projects are enormously expensive and counter-productive. WestConnex will increase air pollution and global warming and encourage more car use, quickly filling the increased road capacity. It is not a sustainable solution to Sydney's congestion problem. The negative impacts on the health and well-being of local community's both in the construction and operation phases are unacceptable.

The fact that the State Government released this EIS just 2 weeks after submissions closed for comment on the M4-M5 Link Concept Design, undermines community confidence that this is a genuine consultation process.

The impending sale of over 51% of WestConnex means that the government will transfer the whole of WestConnex and the construction of M4-M5 Link project completely into the hands of a private company which will not give adequate protections to the community.

In particular I object to the M4-M5 Link because:

- 1) it will induce more traffic into the Inner West with increases in congestion on already highly congested major roads and increased congestion on local roads as commuters avoid the expensive tolls.
- 2) it will increase the negative health impacts by increasing toxic fine particle pollution especially in the vicinity of the unfiltered ventilation stacks which are located near schools and homes.
- 3) it will destroy the Rozelle to Balmain rail corridor thus removing the option for a rail link to the Balmain peninsula and the White Bay precinct.
- 4) it will impose significant and unsustainable tolls on western Sydney communities who will not have adequate public transport alternatives.
- 5) it will lead to the imposition of more clearways on high streets in the inner west which will destroy businesses and community amenity.
- 6) it will potentially damage significant aboriginal and non aboriginal heritage in the inner west.

Extra comments

Please no more toll roads in NSW. Sydney is becoming the toll road capital of the world. Reports are coming out about driverless cars and less need for more roads. Follow the lead of other countries and reduce roads.

I have read the Department's Privacy Statement and agree to the Department using my submission in the ways it describes. I understand this includes full publication on the Department's website of my submission, any attachments, and any of my personal information in those documents, and possible supply to third parties such as state agencies, local government and the proponent.

I have not made a reportable donation to a political party.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Hobson

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Attn: Secretary, re: WestConnex M4/M5 EIS, Project Number SSI 16_7485.

SUBMISSION OF OBJECTION TO WESTCONNEX M4/M5 LINK EIS.

I strongly object to the WestConnex M4/M5 Link Environmental Impact Statement.

The Secretary of Planning needs to advise the Minister to refuse the application on the grounds listed below:

- 1) there urgently needs to be an independent review of WestConnex before more billions are spent and more residents' lives are damaged. Alternative plans need to be looked at including improved public transport and the impact of electric and driverless cars on the whole transport system;
- 2) the community needs to have an opportunity to comment on what the Preferred Infrastructure Report states and have a say on the Report and its conditions;
- 3) no unfiltered pollution stacks should be built anywhere in Sydney because of serious health issues – the World Health Organisation stated in 2012 that diesel particulates were carcinogenic;
- 4) the proposed design for the Rozelle Interchange is of great concern because of its unique design and because SMC has not been able to find a construction company willing to build it;
- 5) the increase traffic on the City West Link, Johnston Street, the Crescent, Catherine Street and Ross Street will increase, not only during the construction period, but if Stage 3 is completed drivers will resort to going down local streets to avoid congestion. During peak hours these streets will become very busy and more dangerous for local residents;
- 6) I strongly object to the use of Darley Road, Leichhardt as a dive site. I regularly use this street and already it is heavy with traffic at peak hours.

The proposal includes hundreds of trucks daily entering and leaving the dive site and this would make Darley Street impossible for all other traffic. The only other alternative for drivers is to use the already busy Norton Street. This proposal is NOT workable.
- 7) I watched while Dan Murphy renovated the site on Darley Road during 2016 and now hear that Dan Murphy knew about the possibility of a dive site with an offer of \$50 million to move. The whole matter needs investigating with total transparency for the public;
- 8) the traffic analysis figures relied upon in the EIS are simply not reliable. AECOM, the company responsible for this EIS, has a well-documented record of wrongly predicting traffic. Already there are reports that the traffic for all stages of WestConnex has been overestimated and construction costs underestimated. (SMH 'Pressure builds on government to sweeten WestConnex sale' 5/10/2017) An EIS based on inaccurate traffic analysis cannot be approved;
- 9) it is claimed that traffic on Parramatta Road, King Georges Road or the existing M5 will be reduced with improved travel times and bus services but it is not clearly showed how this will be achieved. It is of concerned that such so called benefits may be extremely optimistic considering that since the return of the tolls on the M4 traffic on Parramatta Road has increased;

10) there is reference in the EIS to the WestConnex Road Traffic Model version 2.3 (WRTM v2.3), a strategic traffic model that has been used in the traffic analysis.

This model was developed by the NSW Roads and Maritime Services who have constantly pushed a motorway agenda to the disadvantage of the development of more public transport. There is insufficient explanation of the nature of the model, where it can be accessed and what function it plays in the analysis. There is no clear explanation of how the assumptions that underpin the WRTM have changed between EIS stages. Since so much else in the EIS including noise and air quality predictions are dependent on this forecasting, the lack of transparency makes it difficult for the EIS to be subject to independent critique;

11) when measuring the impacts in the EIS, it is important to note the mismanagement of the project to date and that residents now have little confidence that any measures set out in the approval document will, in fact, be complied with. For e.g. during 2017 St Peters residents had to deal with awful odours and the SMC failed to comply with its environmental protection licence that it was granted and of concern the NSW Planning clearly does not have the powers to enforce compliance.

I strongly object to the NSW EPA granting a licence for this project on the basis of this application and with no clear plan for how contamination would be controlled;

12) The Environmental Impact Statement for Stage 3 states that the traffic around St Peters will be worse when both stages are completed. The increased air pollution that the community will be forced to live with from the exhaust from tunnels and additional car emissions from the traffic is NOT acceptable. Car emissions are known to shorten the lives of those who live within half a kilometre of a busy roadway. Diesel exhaust from trucks is classed as a carcinogen;

13) I am also concerned that Haberfield and Ashfield residents are being given the apparent choice of two construction plans, Option A or Option B, both of which will have severe impacts on the community. In fact the EIS hints at other options that have not been fully disclosed;

14) During the Stage one consultation phase, residents were repeatedly told that after construction of the M4 East, there would be no more above ground construction in Haberfield. It now appears that they were misled. SMC is already preparing its Preferred Infrastructure Report which will include its final choice of option. I demand that this report be made public as soon as it is filed with NSW Planning and that residents be given a right to consultation on the actual plan before a determination on this EIS application is made by NSW Planning;

15) There are overlaps in the construction periods of the New M5 and M4 of up to one year. This will significantly worsen impacts for residents close to construction areas.

No additional mitigation or any compensation is offered for residents for these periods.(Executive Summary xxvii). It is unacceptable that residents should have these prolonged periods of exposure to more than one project. The EIS makes no attempt to seriously research the current impacts on residents, measure what the cumulative impacts would be or make suggestions that would mitigate the cumulative impact of these prolonged periods of construction noise exposure;

16) The EIS identifies a significant risk of leaks of contaminated water into Rozelle Bay and Alexandria Canal. Such risks to health of Sydney's waterways is not acceptable to the community. The Sydney Motorway Corporation through its conduct at St Peters has shown that it cannot be trusted to manage contamination risks.

17) I object to the EIS on the grounds that it fails the Secretary's requirement for "meaningful" consultation. Hundreds of residents within the proposed project zone were not even notified of feedback sessions. Hundreds of submissions on the concept design, including a major one from the Inner West Council, were ignored. Consultation is not the provision of glossy brochures, light on detail, which minimise the negative aspects of a project and state that ever impact will be managed by a 'plan';

18) SMC was required to consider alternatives. This section in the EIS is tokenistic at best. The City of Sydney came up with a well thought out alternative plan and this has been ignored in the EIS.

Finally, I urge the Secretary of NSW Planning to advise the Minister to reject this EIS, publish, my name and submission in accordance with the undertaking on your website, and provide a written response to each of the objections I have raised.

Yours sincerely, Jo Hobson 25 Searl St, Petersham NSW 2049, Australia

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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- The EIS uses the term 'construction fatigue' to refer to the continuing impacts of construction. In St Peters construction work in relation to the M4 and M5 has been going on for years. Approval of this latest EIS will mean that construction impacts of M4 and New M5 will extend for a further five years with both construction and 24/7 tunnelling sites. In reality 'construction fatigue' means residents in St Peters losing homes and neighbours and community; roadworks physically dividing communities; sickening odours over several months, incredible noise pollution 24 hours a day and dangerous work practices putting community members at risk. These conditions have already placed enormous stress on local residents, seriously impacting health and well-being. Another 5 years will be breaking point for many residents. How is this addressed in the EIS beyond the acknowledgement of 'construction fatigue'. This is intolerable for the local community who bear the greatest cost of the construction of the M4 and M5 and the least benefit.
- In Leichhardt serious safety concerns about the choice of the Darley Rd site have been raised by the Inner West Council and an independent engineer's report. Despite countless meetings between local residents and SMC and RMS over 12 months, none of the serious and legitimate concerns raised by the residents have even been acknowledged. This is a massive breach of community trust and seriously questions the integrity of the EIS.
- The RMS has previously identified the Darley Rd site in Leichhardt as the third most dangerous traffic hazard in the Inner West. The NSW Land and Environment Court found that the location of the site couldn't safely deal with 60 bottle truck movements a week, but the M4/M5 EIS shows that more than 800 vehicles including hundreds of heavy ones will use the site each day as part of construction of M4M5 Link. HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE? why are the already acknowledged impacts being ignored.
- It has estimated that if construction goes ahead, some homes in Darley St Leichhardt will have a truck on average every 4 minutes just metres from their bedrooms. If experience in Haberfield, Kingsgrove, St Peters and Alexandria is anything to go by, residents can again expect the actual experience to be worse than predicted by the EIS. HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE? why have the serious and legitimate concerns raised by the residents not even been acknowledged.
- The EIS identifies hundreds of risks at different construction sites. In relation to these risks the EIS recommends proceeding despite the risks; or seeking a way to mitigate risks during the "detailed design" phase. That phase excludes the public altogether. That is, the M4/M5 should be approved with no calculation of risks or what mitigation may mean for impacted residents.
- EIS social impact study states that "the health and safety of residents should be prioritised around construction areas" - this is merely platitudinous in the light of the choice of Darley Rd the third most dangerous traffic intersection in the Inner West as a construction site.

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- (1) While the Rozelle interchange remains committed to be opened in December 2023, the design is so preliminary and so complex that it needs to be treated as another stage of the project to ensure that potential private sector funders are willing to invest, knowing they can heavily modify and/or defer the Rozelle Interchange.
- (2) The proposed Inner West Subsurface Interchange, planned as part of Stage 1 (Vol 2B Appendix E p 1), linking the 2 mainline tunnels with the Rozelle Interchange and the Iron Cove link is of serious concern, there has been little information about the Inner West Interchange, its construction or exactly which streets it would affect. At Westconnex Information sessions held in the inner west in Sept 2017 staff state the path of the tunnels and the Interchange are 'indicative only'. How are residents expected to submit submissions without knowing if their street is affected?
- (3) The project would take land intended for housing and employment specified in The Bays Precinct Transformation Plan.
- (4) Significantly, there is nothing in the EIS to ensure that tunnelling would be at a sufficient depth so as not to endanger the integrity of homes, including vibration, and noise impacts. Further, without provision for full compensation for damage sustained there would be no incentive for contractors, or Roads and Maritime Services, to minimise damage to homes or indeed to have any concern for damage sustained.
- (5) Given that these works could be undertaken to deliver toll paying drivers to the privately owned WestConnex, there is strong potential for a conflict between private profit and community impacts. The cost of any such integration works should very clearly be attributed to the Project cost, and should not impact on the available RMS budget for the State road network normal maintenance and improvement budget.
- (6) The EIS notes that the Project would cause additional traffic congestion on a number of key roads including: Gardeners Road and Bourke Road in the south, Frederick Street (Ashfield), Johnston Street (Annandale) and numerous streets in Mascot (p.8-103). The EIS must assess and identify any upgrades that the Project will require.
- (7) The proponent does not consider the impact of the Sydney Metro West. This project will have a significant impact on travel behaviour (and specifically mode share).

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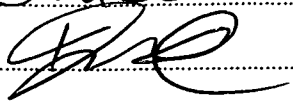
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1. The Air quality data provided in the EIS is confusing and is not presented in a form that the community can interpret. The lack of clarity leads to a suspicion that areas of concern are being covered up.
2. Acoustic shed - Pyrmont Bridge Road site - Despite setting out the noise impacts of construction at this site, the lowest grade acoustic shed is proposed as mitigation. The EIS states that the Acoustic shed performance should be 'upgraded' and the site hoarding increased to 4 metres 'in select areas.' (EIS, 10-119). No detail is provided as to how effectively these enhancements will manage the noise and vibration impacts of construction.
3. The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. We now have proposals for Stages 1,2 and 3 and none achieve this goal. The community is asked to support this proposal on the basis of other major unfunded projects, which are little more than ideas on a map. This is NOT the way to plan a liveable city
4. Of the six areas of disturbance and 11 Historical Archaeological Management Units (HAMUs) identified in Chapter 20 of the EIS, none are within the Sydney LGA.
5. Map 2 in Vol 1A Chap 5 Pt 1 shows four intersecting tunnels, each 3 lanes wide, with four toll locations, apparently converging under Mayes, Young, Ferris, Moore, Catherine, Hill, John, Emma, Styles, Ilka, Paling, and the many other surrounding streets. The construction of four intersecting tunnels at varying depths in a spaghetti junction network would exacerbate ground settlement and vibrations, and cause homes most of which are Federation or earlier above the Interchange to be seriously impacted.
6. The EIS states that the impact on regional air quality is minimal and thus concludes that the project's impact on ozone is negligible. Ozone is a major pollutant and Western Sydney, Campbelltown in particular, suffers the worst ozone pollution. Major components of ozone are generated in eastern Sydney and drift west. Previous environment departments have spoken about the need for an eight-hour standard concentration and goal for ozone (DECCEW, 2010, State of Knowledge: Ozone). OEH needs to provide information about the value of this standard and on the impact of new motorways on that level.
7. The EIS (App H, p.269) refers to the RMS plans to carry out "network integration" works surrounding the Rozelle interchange once the project is complete but offers little detail of the nature of the works. It mentions the intersection of the Western Distributor and Pyrmont Bridge Road at Pyrmont, Western Distributor near Darling Harbour and a review of kerbside uses near Western Distributor, The Crescent, Johnston Street and Ross Street.

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- 1) Rozelle Interchange and surrounds will experience increased traffic with associated noise and air pollution- most particularly at the Crescent, Johnson St and Catherine St, Annandale/Lilyfield/Leichhardt and Ross Street, Glebe. These streets are already highly congested at peak times and with a massive number of extra truck movements and traffic associated with construction, these streets will become gridlocked during peak times.
- 2) The EIS should not be approved as it does not contain any certainty for residents as to what is proposed and does not provide a basis on which the project can be approved. The EIS states 'the detail of the design and construction approach is indicative only based on a concept design and is subject to detailed design and construction planning to be undertaken by the successful contractors.' Therefore this entire process is a sham as the extent to which concerns are taken into account is not known as the contractor can simply make further changes. As the contractor is not bound to take into account community impacts outside of the strict requirements and as the contractor will be trying to deliver the project as quickly and cheaply as possible, it is likely that the additional measure proposed with respect to construction noise mitigation for (example) will not be adopted. The EIS should not be approved on the basis that it does not provide a reliable basis on which to base the approval documents. It does not provide the community with a genuine opportunity to provide meaningful feedback in accordance with the legislative obligation of the Government to provide a consultation process because the designs are 'indicative' only and subject to change. Because of this the EIS is riddled with caveats and lacks clear obligations and requirements in project delivery. The additional effect of this is that the community and other stakeholders such as the Council will be unable to undertake compliance activities as the conditions are simply too broad and lack any substantial detail.
- 3) All of the streets abutting Darley Road identified as NCA 13 (James Street to Falls Street) should have a strict prohibition on any truck movements and worker contractor parking. These homes are already suffering the worst construction impacts of the work on the site and should be spared the further imposition of lack of parking and additional noise impacts. The EIS needs to prohibit outright truck movements (including parking) and worker parking on all of these streets.
- 4) The EIS indicates that 36 homes will have unacceptable noise impacts for extended periods at the Darley road construction site. The EIS does not mention the cumulative impact of aircraft noise in the Leichhardt or St Peters area, and therefore does not reflect the true impact of construction noise on the amenity of nearby residents and businesses. The noise impacts of construction are not able to be mitigated to an acceptable level and the EIS should not be approved on this basis.

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- I. I do not accept that King Street traffic congestion will be improved by this project. There should be a complete review of the traffic modelling that does not appear to take sufficient notice of the impact of pouring 51000 extra cars down Euston Rd on top of increases in population in the area. Given that there is no outlet between the St Peters and Haberfield or Rozelle, all traffic going to the CBD, East or into the Inner West will use local roads.
- II. The RMS has previously identified the Darley Rd site in Leichhardt as the third most dangerous traffic hazard in the Inner West. The NSW Land and Environment Court found that the location of the site couldn't safely deal with 60 bottle truck movements a week, but the M4/M5 EIS shows that more than 800 vehicles including hundreds of heavy ones will use the site each day as part of construction of M4M5 Link. HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE? why are the already acknowledged impacts being ignored.
- III. Rather than adding to pollution, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce emissions. It is not acceptable to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad.
- IV. King Street Gateway is not included in modelling or Cumulative impact assessment however will alter the road geometry and capacity adjacent to the project.
- V. The impact of the project on cycling and walking will be considerable around construction sites. The promise of a construction plan is not sufficient. There has not been sufficient consultation or warning given to those directly affected or interested organisations. There needs to be a longer period of consultation so that the community can be

informed about the added dangers and inconvenience, especially when you consider that it is over a 4 year period.

- VI. Significant declines in pollutants are due to improvements to in-vehicle technology and fuel. However, plans to improve standards for heavy vehicles, which disproportionately contribute to NOx emissions and thus ozone, appear to have stalled. The proponent needs to provide a scenario that sets out impacts due to delays in adopting improved emission standards.

- VII. Bridge Road School - Pyrmont Bridge Road site - The EIS states that 'construction activities are predicted to impact' this School. However, the only mitigation proposed is to consult with the School 'to identify sensitive receivers of the school along with periods of examination'. (Table 5-120) The EIS should not be approved on the basis that it does not propose any measures to reduce the impacts to this School. The EIS simply states that 'where practicable' work should be scheduled to avoid major student examination period when students are studying for examinations such as the Higher School Certificate. This is inadequate and students will be studying every day in preparation for examinations and this proposal will impact on their ability to be provided with an education. Consultation is not considered an adequate response and detailed mitigation should be provided which will reduce the impacts to students to an acceptable level.

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- ◆ **Crash statistics – City West Link and James St intersection.** The EIS only analyses crash statistics near the interchanges. It does not provide any detail as to the number of crashes at the James St/City West Link intersection which, on Transport for NSW's own figures, is the third most dangerous intersection in the inner west. Nor does it comment on the two fatalities that occurred on Darley Road near the proposed construction site. The EIS needs to detail the increased risk in crashes that will be caused by the additional 170 vehicles a day that are proposed to enter and leave Darley Road during the construction period.
- ◆ **I object to the issue of this EIS only 14 days after the period for submission of comments on the concept design closed.** There is no public response to the 1,000s of comments made on the design and it seems impossible that the comments could have been reviewed, assessed and responses to them incorporated into the EIS in that time. This casts doubt over the integrity of the entire EIS process.
- ◆ **The tunnels under Rozelle/Lilyfield are going to be in three levels.** The EIS does not explain what safety procedures are being built into the project to deal with situations like serious congestion, accidents or fire. With a serious hold up on the deepest of these tunnels it is clear that the air quality will very quickly become toxic unless substantial air conditioning is a major part of the design. There is no in depth detail about how these issues are going to be addressed. This is not acceptable.
- ◆ **The TfNSW website says "The Sydney Metro West project is Sydney's next big railway infrastructure investment" but the Cumulative Impact assessment by AECOM (App C) does not include West Metro.** A business case for West Metro should be completed before determination of the Project.
- ◆ **Emissions were not modelled beyond 2033.** This is an omission, as the contractual life of the project is significantly longer, until 2060. The EIS states, on page 22-15 that 'it is expected that savings in emissions from improved road performance would reduce over time as traffic volumes increase'. Therefore, the longer-term outcome of the project is likely to be an increase in GHG emissions
- ◆ **Improving connectivity with public transport, including trains, light rail and bus services in the inner west would make the Parramatta Road corridor a more attractive place to live, work and socialise.**
- ◆ **Given that the modelling for air quality is based on the traffic modelling, which, as shown above, is fundamentally flawed, and given poor air quality has a significant health impact the EIS should not be approved until an independent scientifically qualified reviewer has analysed the stated air quality outcomes and identified any deficits**

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons:

- ❖ I am appalled to learn that more than 100 homes including hundreds of residents will be affected by noise exceedences 'out of hours' in the vicinity of Darley Road, Leichhardt. This will not just be for a few days but could continue for years. Such impacts will severely impact on the quality of life of residents.
- ❖ I am appalled to read in the EIS that more than 100 homes across the Rozelle construction sites will be severely affected by construction noise for months or even years at a time. This would include hundreds of individual residents including young children, school students and people who spend time at home during the day. The predicted levels are more than 75 decibels and high enough to produce damage over an eight hour period. Such noise levels will severely impact on the health, capacity to work and quality of life of residents. NSW Planning should not give approval to a project that could cause such impacts. Promises of potential mitigation are not enough, especially when you consider the ongoing unacceptable noise in Haberfield during the M4East construction.
- ❖ Residents of Haberfield should not be asked to choose between two construction sites. This smacks of manipulation and a deliberate attempt to divide a community. Both choices extend construction impacts for four years and severely impact the quality of life of residents. NSW Planning should reject the impacts on Haberfield as unacceptable. (page 106)
- ❖ Daytime noise at 177 properties across the project is predicted to be so bad during the years of construction that extra noise treatments will be required. There is however a caveat - the properties will change if the design changes. My understanding is that the design could change without the public being specifically notified or given the chance for feedback. This means that there is a possibility of hundreds of residents being severely impacted who are not even identified in this EIS. I find this completely unacceptable.
- ❖ I do not accept the finding in the Appendix P that there will be no noise exceedences during construction at Campbell Rd St Peters. There has been terrible noise during the early construction of the New M5. Why would this stop, especially given the construction is just as close to houses? Is it because the noise is already so bad that comparatively it will not be that much worse. This casts doubt on the whole noise study.
- ❖ I completely reject this EIS due to its failure to consider the alternative plan put forward by the City of Sydney.

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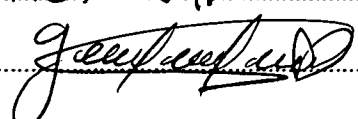
- a) The Darley Road site should be rejected because it involves acquiring Dan Murphy's. This business was rem-novated and opened with full knowledge that it was to be acquired. The lessee and sub-lessees should not be permitted compensation in these circumstances. The demolition of the entire building (which the EIS confirms will occur) is wasteful and represents mismanagement of public resources.
- b) Because of the high tolls drivers who have to travel east daily will look for alternative routes and build up the traffic on local roads, both here in western Sydney, on Parramatta Rd and all the way to the city. There is no way the WestConnex roads will reduce traffic on un-tolled roads with tolls on the WestConnex sections so high.
- c) This EIS contains little or no meaningful design and construction detail. It appears to be a wish list not based on actual effects. Everything is indicative, 'would' not 'will', telling me nothing is actually 'known' for certain – and is certainly not included here.
- d) Increased traffic congestion in areas around portals will increase pollution along roadsides, with predicted adverse impacts on breathing and through long-term carcinogenic effects. The maps and analysis of the pollution effects in the EIS should be presented in a way that enables them to be understood by ordinary citizens. Instead information is presented in a way that is deliberately obscure and hard to interpret.
- e) I do not consider so many disruptions of pedestrian and cycle ways to be a 'temporary' impact. Four years in the life of a community is a long time. The EIS acknowledges that there will be more danger in the environment around construction sites. It is a serious matter to deliberately take steps to reduce the safety of a community, especially when as the traffic analysis shows there will be a legacy of traffic congestion even in 2033. A promise of a plan is NOT an answer to those concerned about the impacts.
- f) The EIS uses the term 'construction fatigue' to refer to the continuing impacts of construction. In St Peters construction work in relation to the M4 and M5 has been going on for years. Approval of this latest EIS will mean that construction impacts of M4 and New M5 will extend for a further five years with both construction and 24/7 tunnelling sites. In reality 'construction fatigue' means residents in St Peters losing homes and neighbours and community; roadworks physically dividing communities; sickening odours over several months, incredible noise pollution 24 hours a day and dangerous work practices putting community members at risk. These conditions have already placed enormous stress on local residents, seriously impacting health and well-being. Another 5 years will be breaking point for many residents. How is this addressed in the EIS beyond the acknowledgement of 'construction fatigue'. This is intolerable for the local community who bear the greatest cost of the construction of the M4 and M5 and the least benefit.

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I submit my strongest objections to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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- Recently Andrew Constance has been quoted numerous times promoting his vision of the transport future and some of these views are aired in the EIS but the vision put forward is highly visionary with no practical detail addressing how these changes are going to be brought about and so they are totally unrealistic. For example it is starting to be commonly accepted that car manufacturers will be reducing production of petrol/diesel cars before 2040 probably starting in 2030. It is proposed that electric cars will then take over. It is suggested that cars will be charged over night at people's homes. Virtually no one in the Inner City Suburbs has a garage. Are all the streets throughout all the suburbs going to be fitted out with charging points outside all the houses, similar to parking meters? We have all watched the shambles of the rolling out of the NBN it would be mind blowing to watch what would happen with the rolling out of charging points to each household without a garage and it would take years to achieve. There are virtually no recharging points at any Fuel Stations anywhere as yet and to set these up will take years. A large part of the population run older cars, because that is all they are able to afford. It will take many years for these petrol/diesel cars to disappear. Andrew Constance has also said that when everyone is driving an autonomous car average speeds will be reduced but as they are not being controlled by individual drivers this will mean they will be able to travel much closer together and so there will not be so much delay caused by spread out congestion. If this is to be so perhaps the suggestion could be made that some mechanism could be employed which would enable these cars to link together; if that could be done then they could form -a TRAIN - and then really travel at speed!
- The decision to build a three-stage tollway instead of expanding public transport has never been subjected to democratic decision-making and in fact has been opposed by the great majority of submissions received in response to the Environmental Impact Statements for the first two stages.
- We object to the selection of the Darley Road site on the basis that it provides for daily movements of 170 heavy and light vehicles accessing Darley Road. This creates an unacceptable risk to the safety of pedestrians accessing the North Leichhardt light rail stop as well as bicycle users accessing the bicycle route on Darley Road and entering Canal road to join the dedicated bike paths on the bay run. Many school children cross at this point to walk to Orange Grove and Leichhardt Secondary College. The EIS states that an alternative truck movement is proposed which involves use of the City West Link with no trucks to access Darley Road. The selection of Darley Road should not be approved if it involves any truck movements on Darley Road, which is what it currently provides.

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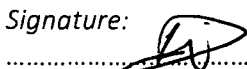
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1. The assessment and solution to potentially serious problems described in the EIS at 12-57 (where mainline tunnels alignment crosses key Sydney Water utility services that service Sydney's eastern and southern suburbs) is "based on assumptions about the strength and stiffness of the water tunnels given that limited information about the design and condition of these assets was available. Detailed surveys should be undertaken to verify the levels and condition of these Sydney Water assets. A detailed assessment would be carried out in consultation with Sydney Water to demonstrate that construction of the M4-M5 Link tunnels would have negligible adverse settlement or vibration impacts on these tunnels. A settlement monitoring program would also be implemented during construction to validate or reassess the predictions should it be required." The community can have no confidence in the EIS proposals that are incomplete and possibly negligent. The EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these issues are definitively resolved and publicly published.
2. The EIS proposes that all trucks will arrive at the Darley Road civil and tunnel site from Haberfield and travel along Darley Road to the site, with a right-hand turn now permitted into James Street. The proposed route will result in a truck every 3-4 minutes for 5 years running directly by the small houses on Darley Road. These homes will not be habitable during the five-year construction period due to the unacceptable noise impacts. The truck noise will be worsened by their need to travel up a steep hill to return to the City West Link, so the noise impacts will affect not just those homes on or immediately adjacent to Darley Road.
3. The EIS states that darley Road is a contaminated site, and likely has asbestos. The proposal is that 'treated' water will be directly discharged into the stormwater drain at Blackmore oval. There are four long-standing rowing clubs in the vicinity of this location. This plan will jeopardise the integrity of our waterway and compromise the use of the bay for recreational activities for boat and other users. We object in the strongest terms to this proposal on environmental and health reasons. There is no detail of the ongoing Motorway maintenance activities during operation provided in the EIS. The community therefore cannot comment on the impact that this ongoing facility will have on the locality. This component of the EIS should not be approved as this information is not provided and therefore impacts (on parking, safety, noise, amenity of the area) are not known.
4. The EIS needs to require that all workers are bussed in or use public transport such as the light rail with no parking whatsoever permitted on local roads at the Darley Road site. This is justified because the site provides 11 car spacers for an estimated 100 workers a day on site. The project cannot be approved on this basis without a strict requirement on workers to use public transport or project provided transport and a prohibition needs to be in place against parking on local streets. The EIS needs to require that this restriction is included in all contracts and in the relevant approval documentation

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- i. The St Peters and Rozelle interchanges are of particular concern. St Peters will have large volumes of vehicles accelerating and decelerating as they enter and exit tunnels and access roads, next to proposed playing fields. This is complicated by emissions stacks located in the Interchange – whereby pollution from the interchange is supercharged by the emissions from the stacks
- ii. the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the EIS (Page 8-2 – Table 8-1) require the Applicant to consider the operational transport impact of toll avoidance however information provided on toll avoidance in Chapter 9.8 (Page 222) of Appendix H is limited to four short paragraphs.
- iii. Road congestion is reducing bus performance and reliability. The project will make it worse.
 - The EIS says traffic on ANZAC Bridge will increase by 2023 (p.8-103).
 - Traffic modelling shows bus times will be slower into the city in the morning (p.3-19).
 - The EIS identifies capacity constraints on ANZAC Bridge (p3-19). This project will dump more traffic onto the ANZAC Bridge.
- iv. The EIS notes that the project design and land use forecasts have changed significantly since the Stage 2 and Stage 3 EIS. However the cumulative analysis does not quantify the expected change on those roads. The EIS only notes significant increases in traffic volumes.
- v. The construction and operation of the project will result in 51 property acquisitions. We object to the project in its entirety because of this impact. We note that a number of long-standing businesses have been acquired and that many families and businesses in earlier stages have been forced to go to court to seek fair compensation. We object to the acquisition in particular of the Dan Murphys site. The business was substantially renovated and a new business opened with full knowledge of the likely acquisition. We object to it being acquired and compensated in these circumstances and call on the Government to investigate the circumstances which led to this occurring (Executive Summary xvii)
- vi. I do not consider it acceptable that cycling/pedestrian routes should be changed for four years in Annandale and Rozelle in ways that will make cycling more difficult and walking less possible for residents with reduced mobility. These are vital community transport routes.

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- ◆ Rozelle Interchange and surrounds will experience increased traffic with associated noise and air pollution— most particularly at the Crescent, Johnson St and Catherine St, Annandale/Lilyfield/Leichhardt and Ross Street, Glebe. These streets are already highly congested at peak times and with a massive number of extra truck movements and traffic associated with construction, these streets will become gridlocked during peak times.
- ◆ It is clear from the EIS that spoil truck movements will not be confined to the City West link. At a community consultation it was revealed that trucks removing spoil at Camperdown would very likely be travelling from the James Craig Rd area and in that case would be using the additional lane on the Crescent and then turning right up Johnston St. This is totally CONTRARY to what concerned residents had been promised would not happen. It is clear that any assurances given to the community in past consultations are totally disregarded without consultation later. This is unacceptable.
- ◆ Heart disease will skyrocket due to air pollution caused by Westconnex bringing more cars into the Inner West says Paul Torzillo, Head of Respiratory medicine at Royal Prince Albert Hospital. Inner West Courier 23rd May 2017
- ◆ The EIS states “that without the ‘construction scenario’ the City West Link/The Crescent and The Crescent/James Craig Road intersections are forecast to operate satisfactorily at LoS D or better in both Peak periods. With the ‘construction scenario’ the operational performance at the intersections is forecast to worsen”. And after 5 years of construction and the

spending of more than \$18 Billion the outcome at these locations will be worse.

- ◆ The Concept Design was a woefully inadequate document totally devoid of any real depth of detail in terms of maps, scales, distances with only vague suggestions and glamorized Artist’s Impressions of an idealized view of what Stage 3 would be like. It was another example of current city planning documents that consistently accentuate huge areas of tranquil green spaces with families and children out walking and riding bicycles in idealized parks and suburbs. All this is total PR spin and bears no reality about the real outcome of the build. It bears no reality as to what Stage 3 of Westconnex will be like.
- ◆ The removal of spoil at the Rozelle Rail Yards will lead to the largest amount of Spoil truck movements on the entire Stage 3 project: 517 Heavy truck movements a day, of which 46 are stated to take place at Peak hours. There will also be 10 Heavy truck movements a day from the Crescent Civil Site. The sheer number of trucks on the road will lead to massive increases in congestion. Maps in the EIS have the spoil trucks going to and from these sites from the Haberfield direction on the City West Link. This is also the direction that is being proposed for spoil truck movements from Darley Rd which is said to have 100 Heavy truck movements a day. It is stated that the cumulative effect of truck movements from all sites on the City West Link will be 700 (one way) Heavy truck movements a day and of that 208 will be in Peak hours. This plan totally lacks credibility

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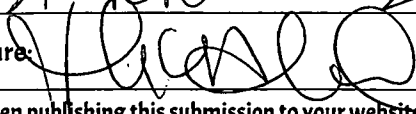
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- Truck routes – Leichhardt: No trucks should be permitted on Darley Road or local roads in Leichhardt or Lilyfield. The EIS proposes that all trucks will arrive at the Darley Road civil and tunnel site from Haberfield and travel along Darley Road to the site, with a right-hand turn now permitted into James Street. The proposed route will result in a truck every 3-4 minutes for 5 years running directly by the small houses on Darley Road. These homes will not be habitable during the five-year construction period due to the unacceptable noise impacts. The truck noise will be worsened by their need to travel up a steep hill to return to the City West Link, so the noise impacts will affect not just those homes on or immediately adjacent to Darley Road. The proposal to run trucks so close to homes is dangerous and there have been two fatalities on Darley Road at the proposed site location. The EIS does not propose any noise or safety barriers to address this. Despite the unacceptable impact to nearby homes, there is no proposal for noise walls, nor any mitigation to individual homes.
- Noise mitigation – Leichhardt. The noise mitigation proposed in the EIS is unacceptable. No detail of noise walls is provided, giving residents no opportunity to comment on whether final impacts are acceptable. This is despite the fact 36 homes are identified in the EIS as severely affected by construction noise. The acoustic shed proposed is of the lowest grade and does not cover the entire site, resulting in noise impacts from the movement of trucks in and out of the tunnel access point. The highest grade acoustic shed should be provided, with the shed covering the entire site. The additional noise mitigation such as noise walls, need to be set out in detail so that residents can properly comment on the impacts.
- I am concerned that the AECOM, the company responsible for the EIS, always approves knocking down heritage buildings if the project requires it. It doesn't how much value it holds for the community, it must always be destroyed.
- The decision to build a three-stage tollway instead of expanding public transport has never been subjected to democratic decision-making and in fact has been opposed by the great majority of submissions received in response to the Environmental Impact Statements for the first two stages.
- I do not accept that King Street traffic congestion will be improved by this project, There should be a complete review of the traffic modelling that does not appear to take sufficient notice of the impact of pouring 51000 extra cars down Euston Rd on top of increases in population in the area. Given that there is no outlet between the St Peters and Haberfield or Rozelle, all traffic going to the CBD, East or into the Inner West will use local roads.
- The proposal for a permanent water treatment plant and substation to the south of the site on Darley Road will prevent direct pedestrian access to the light rail station. It will affect the future uses of the site once the project is completed. The facility is out of step with the area which is comprised of low rise homes and detracts from the visual amenity of the area. This site is a pedestrian hub and will be a visual blight for pedestrians, bike users and the homes that have direct line of sight to the facility. It should not be permitted on this site.

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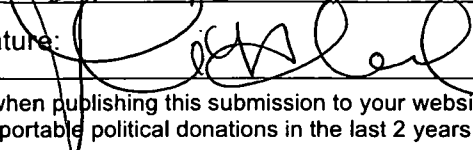
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- The volume of extra heavy traffic in the Rozelle area and the acknowledged impact this will have on local roads is completely unacceptable to me.
- The social and economic impact study fails to record the great concern for valued Newtown heritage
- The EIS identifies hundreds of negative impacts of the project but always states that they will be manageable or acceptable even if negative. This shows the inherent bias in the EIS process.
- The consultants for the Social and Economic Impact study is HillPDA. This company has a conflict of interest and is not an appropriate choice to do a social impact study of WestCONnex. Amongst its services it offers property valuation services and promotes property development in what are perceived to be strategic locations. HillPDA were heavily involved in work leading to the development of Urban Growth NSW and the heavily criticised Parramatta Rd Study. It is not in the public interest to use public funds on an EIS done by a company that has such a heavy stake in property development opportunities along the Parramatta Rd corridor. One of the advantages of property development along Parramatta Rd that Hill PDA promotes on its website is the 33 kilometre WestCONnex.
- The EIS acknowledges that extra construction traffic will add to travel times across the Inner West and have a negative impact on businesses in the area. No compensation is suggested. These impacts are not been taken into account of evaluating the cost of WestCONnex.
- The EIS acknowledges that 'rat running' by cars to avoid added congestion and delays caused by construction traffic will put residents at risk. No only solution is a Management Plan, which is yet to be developed, and to which the public will have no impact. This is completely unacceptable.
- The EIS refers to be construction impacts as being 'temporary'. I do not consider a five year construction period to be temporary.
- Table 6.1 in Appendix Q (Social and Economic impact) is not an accurate report on the concerns of residents. It downgrades the concerns of Newtown, St Peters and Haberfield residents. It does not even mention concerns about additional years of construction in Haberfield and St Peters. It also does not mention concerns about heritage impacts in Newtown. I can only assume that this is because there was almost no consultation in Newtown and a failure to notify impacted residents including those on the Eastern Side of King Street and St Peters.

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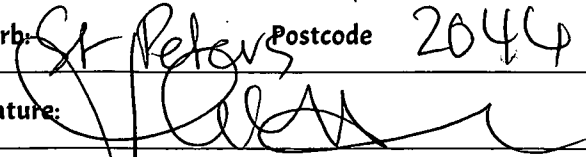
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| <p>A. The social and economic impact study notes the high value placed on community networks and social inclusion but does nothing to seriously evaluate the social impacts on these of WestCONnex. Any genuine assessment would draw on experience with the New M5 and M4 East rather than ignoring it. This lack of genuine engagement with social impact reduces the study to the level of a demographic description and a series of bland value statement</p> <p>B. The EIS states that spoil haulage hours will be restricted but ignores the fact that the same was promised for the M4 East but these promises have been ignored repeatedly.</p> <p>C. The EIS states "Direct and indirect traffic disruptions are likely to be experienced on local and arterial roads in most suburbs that are in close proximity to construction sites. This would include the suburbs of Ashfield, Haberfield, St Peters, Camperdown, Annandale, Lilyfield, Leichhardt, and Rozelle." Despite this finding, the study then pushes these negative impacts aside as inevitable. There is never any evaluation of whether in the light of the negative impacts an alternative public infrastructure project might be preferable.</p> <p>D. The impacts on The Crescent and Annandale are massive and were not sufficiently revealed in the Concept Design to enable residents to give</p> | <p>feedback on the negative impacts on communities and businesses in the area.</p> <p>E. It is clear from reading the EIS that the impacts of the project on traffic congestion and travel times across the region during five years of construction will be negative and substantial. Five years is a long time. At the end of the day, the result of the project will also be more traffic congestion although not necessarily in the same places as now. There needs to be a serious cost benefit analysis before the project proceeds further.</p> <p>F. Table 6.1 in Appendix Q (Social and Economic impact) is not an accurate report on the concerns of residents. It downplays concerns of Newtown, St Peters and Haberfield residents. It does not even mention concerns about additional years of construction in Haberfield and St Peters. The raises the question of whether this is a result of the failure of SMC to notify impacted residents including those on the Eastern Side of King Street and St Peters about the potential impacts of the M4 M5</p> <p>G. The EIS identifies a risk to children from construction traffic at Haberfield School. I find such risks unacceptable and am not satisfied with a promise of a Plan to which the public is excluding from viewing or providing feedback until it is published.</p> |
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- I. The EIS social and economic impact study acknowledged the high value placed on retaining trees and vegetation in the affected area but does not mention that WestConnex has already destroyed more than 1000 trees in the St Peters Alexandria area around Sydney Park alone.
- II. The EIS claims to have saved Blackmore Park and Easton Park due to negative community feedback. I am concerned that this is a false claim and that this site was never really in contention due to other physical factors. I would like NSW Planning to investigate whether this claim is correct to have heeded the community is false or not.
- III. The Air quality data is confusing and is not presented in a form that the community can interpret. The lack of clarity leads to a suspicion that areas of concern are being covered up.
- IV. I am completely opposed to approving a project in which the Air quality experts recommend rather than filtering stacks extra stacks could be added later.
- V. The EIS acknowledges that impacts of construction should M4M5 get approval will worsen traffic congestions on Parramatta Rd. In these circumstances it would be outrageous for motorists to be asked to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls. I object to the fact that this is not considered or factored into the traffic analysis.
- VI. Streets in Haberfield would be subject to heavy vehicle traffic for a further four years, making at least 7 years of heavy impacts on a single suburb. The answer is not a "community strategy". Residents who believed that their pain would be over after the M4 east are now being asked to sustain a further four years of impacts. No compensation or serious mitigation is suggested.
- VII. The EIS acknowledges that four years of M4/M5 construction would have a negative economic and social impact across the Inner West through interrupted traffic routes, slower traffic times, disruption with public transport, interruption with businesses and loss of connections across communities. This finding highlights the need for a proper cost benefit analysis for the project. Such social costs should not simply be dismissed with the promise of a construction plan into which the community has not input or powers to enforce.
- VIII. I do not consider it acceptable that cycling/pedestrian routes should be changed for four years in Annandale and Rozelle in ways that will make cycling more difficult and walking less possible for residents with reduced mobility. These are vital community transport routes.

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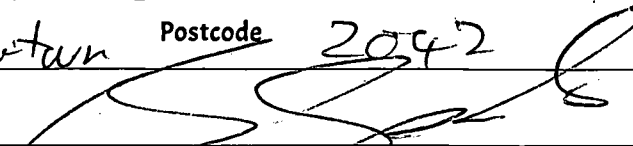
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- ⇒ The EIS was released just 12 days after the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. This categorically proves that all the Community Consultations and Submissions to the Concept Design were a total sham. There were at least 800 posts on the interactive map. These were limited as the community only had 140 characters available to make their point which was woefully inadequate. But there were at least 1500 written submissions, some of which were highly detailed and of considerable length. There is no way that all these submissions could have been read, considered, their arguments integrated into the EIS and then for the EIS of 7200 pages to be put together, printed and released 12 days after the the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. There needs to be a major investigation into this flagrant abuse of the way NSW planning laws have been flouted for the whole of Westconnex and particularly Stage 3.
- ⇒ The EIS states that by 2033 Ross St will see an increase of 80 heavy vehicles a day at Peak periods. The greatest increase of Heavy vehicles at the PM peak will be in Johnston Street, which will see an increase of about 30-50 vehicles when compared to the 'without project' scenario. At Catherine St there will be an increase of 30 heavy vehicles a day at Peak periods. These streets will see a huge increase in Heavy vehicle movements if Stage 3 is built. The increase would be roughly half this amount if the project did not go ahead. Annexure Fig 26 B2 Section H
- ⇒ The EIS shows a diagrammatic explanation of the way the polluted air will be expelled from the Westconnex tunnels. This method will work on straight tunnels of short distance providing there is no traffic congestion. There are already signs in tunnel locations in Sydney advising motorists to roll up their windows and put on their 'in vehicle circulating' air conditioning. This type of straight line pollution expulsion doesn't work if the tunnels go around corners, which is the case with the tunnels from the Rozelle Rail Yards site.
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- ⇒ I am concerned that the EIS provides no reasons why the City of Sydney's alternative plan might not be preferable to the proposed WestCONnex.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <i>Stephen Souls</i>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: 
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- 1.1599 residences or thousands of residents would have noise levels in the evening sufficient to cause sleep disturbance. The technical paper in EIS acknowledges that this is the case, even allowing for acoustic sheds and noise walls. Sleep disturbance has health risks including heightened stress levels and risk of developing dementia. This is simply not acceptable.
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I submit my strongest objections to the M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, and request the Minister to reject the application and require SMC / RMS to issue a true, not an 'indicative' and fundamentally flawed EIS

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Attn: Director - Transport
Assessments

Application Number: SSI 7485

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WestConnex M4-M5 Link

- 1) Land Subsidence in the areas of all tunnel routes is of great concern to all residents. This is of especial concern in the Rozelle /Lilyfield area where there are layers of tunnels. There is likely to be ongoing and considerable subsidence even when the tunnels are built due to the ongoing necessity to remove ground water from the tunnels. This will lead to a slow drying out of the sandstone and hence settlement.
- 2) The EIS states "Direct and indirect traffic disruptions are likely to be experienced on local and arterial roads in most suburbs that are in close proximity to construction sites. This would include the suburbs of Ashfield, Haberfield, St Peters, Camperdown, Annandale, Lilyfield, Leichhardt, and Rozelle." Despite this finding, the study then pushes these negative impacts aside as inevitable. There is never any evaluation of whether in the light of the negative impacts an alternative public infrastructure project might be preferable
- 3) There is no evidence of scenario modelling being used to allow testing the ability of different packages of integrated transport measures to achieve outcomes. The Long Term Transport Masterplan states that integrated approaches are required to manage congestion. The NSW Minister for Transport claims that we "have to get more people on public transport."
- 4) The EIS at 7-41 acknowledges that there is great concern in the community that King Street, Newtown, will be made a 24 hour clearway, stating "Roads and Maritime has no plan to change the existing clearways on King Street". This statement is deliberately misleading - it infers that SMC has authority in controlling impacts on regional roads. Roads and Maritime have the unfettered right to declare Clearways wherever and whenever they wish, and RMS has **NEVER** stated publicly that King Street will not be subject to extended clearway.
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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons:

- Experience has shown that construction and other plans by WestCONnex are often regarded as flexible instruments. Any action to remedy breaches depends on residents complaining and Planning staff having resources to follow up which is often not the case. I find it unacceptable that the EIS is written in a way that simply ignores problems with other stages of WestCONnex.
- Why are two different options being suggested for Haberfield? It is clear that both of these are unacceptable and will expose residents to unnecessary traffic danger, congestion and disruption with capacity to enjoy their homes and environment. It is insulting that the EIS acknowledges this but offers not solution other than to go ahead.
- I do not consider so many disruptions of pedestrian and cycle ways to be a 'temporary' impact. Four years in the life of a community is a long time. The EIS acknowledges that there will be more danger in the environment around construction sites. It is a serious matter to deliberately take steps to reduce the safety of a community, especially when as the traffic analysis shows there will be a legacy of traffic congestion even in 2033. A promise of a plan is NOT an answer to those concerned about the impacts.
- The impact of the project on cycling and walking will be considerable around construction sites. The promise of a construction plan is not sufficient. There has not been sufficient consultation or warning given to those directly affected or interested organisations. There needs to be a longer period of consultation so that the community can be informed about the added dangers and inconvenience, especially when you consider that it is over a 4 year period.
- Rozelle is an old and historic suburbs of Sydney. The damage that this project would do in destruction of homes, other buildings and vegetation is unacceptable, especially when the project would leave a legacy of traffic congestion in the area.
- It is outrageous to suggest that four unfiltered stacks would be built in one area, Rozelle
- Rather than adding to pollution, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce emissions. It is not acceptable to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad.
- A lot of work has gone into building cycling and pedestrian routes in Rozelle and Annandale. Interference and disruption of routes for four years is not a 'temporary' imposition.

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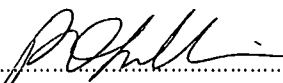
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link

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Postcode 2042**I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons:**

- a) The EIS needs to require that all workers are bussed in or use public transport such as the light rail with no parking whatsoever permitted on local roads at the Darley Road site. This is justified because the site provides 11 car spaces for an estimated 100 workers a day on site. The project cannot be approved on this basis without a strict requirement on workers to use public transport or project provided transport and a prohibition needs to be in place against parking on local streets. The EIS needs to require that this restriction is included in all contracts and in the relevant approval documentation
- b) Traffic diversions – Leichhardt. The EIS states that 'temporary diversions along Darley Road may be required during construction' (8-65). No detail is provided as to when these diversions would occur; there is no provision for consultation with the community; no detail as to how long the diversions will be in place and no comment on the impact of diversions on local roads or the amenity of residents. Will diversions occur at night? If so, down what streets? Diverting the arterial traffic from Darley Road down local streets (which are not designed for heavy vehicle volumes) will result in damage to streets, sleep disturbances for residents and create safety issues. There is also childcare centre and a school near the William Street/Elswick Street intersection which will be impacted by diverting vehicles onto local roads. It is unacceptable for proposed road diversions not to be detailed whatsoever in the EIS. The EIS should not be approved without setting out the impacts of road diversions on residents and businesses.
- c) The removal of Buruwan Park between the Crescent and Bayview Crescent/Railway Pde Annandale to accommodate the widening realignment of the Crescent would be a particular loss of badly needed parkland in this Inner City area. Currently we have fewer parks than almost any suburb in Sydney so this would have a direct impact on local people. Buruwan Park also lies on a major cycle route from Railway Pde through to Anzac Bridge, UTS and the CBD. The alternative route being suggested is poor and takes no real account of trying to encourage cycling as a mode of transport. Cycling should be made as easy as possible to get more ordinary commuters to bicycle and the alternative to the current level route directs cyclists to Johnston St and then up Bayview Crescent arguably the steepest road in Annandale.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: Kimberley Campbell
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Signature: <i>K Campbell</i>	
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- a) I object to the whole project because the people of Western Sydney were never consulted about whether they wanted new roads or given any transport alternatives.
- b) The state government keeps telling us is for western Sydney when it forces high tolls on us and doesn't even include the links to Port Botany or Sydney Airport that they said were the reason for the whole WestConnex project.
- c) I object to the privatization of the road system. It has been announced that the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. How is the public interest in an efficient transport system going to be protected when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders?
- d) The high tolls are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year, whichever is higher. It is outrageous when inflation is low and wages are not even keeping up with it to impose such increases. This is only to just make the road attractive to a buyer at the expense of Western Sydney drivers who don't have an alternative in public transport.
- e) It is outrageous that the EIS quotes from studies in favour of tollways done by the big accounting firms, KPMG and Ernst and Young, and paid for by Transurban, which owns more tollways in Australia than any other corporation. How can this be unbiased? No evidence of how this conclusion was reached is provided in the EIS.
- f) Because of the high tolls drivers who have to travel east daily will look for alternative routes and build up the traffic on local roads, both here in western Sydney, on Parramatta Rd and all the way to the city. There is no way the WestConnex roads will reduce traffic on un-tolled roads when the tolls on the WestConnex sections are so high and set to increase every year.

The Secretary for Planning really should not approve this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <i>REBECCA READ</i>
Application Number: SSI 7485	Address: <i>7 REDSTONE PLACE</i>
Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Suburb: Postcode <i>2759</i>
Signature: <i>Read</i>	Please include my personal information when publishing this submission to your website Declaration: I HAVE NOT made any reportable political donations in the last 2 years.

I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- a) *I object to this new tollway project because all it will do is move the traffic around. Why won't they put a toll on Parramatta Rd and make the new roads free to encourage the traffic to use the new roads? But they are doing the exact opposite, so the new tollway is nothing to do with traffic management. And we have already see motorists abandoning the new M4 for Parramatta roads because the new tolls are so high.*
- b) *I object to the way the Minister for Western Sydney, Stuart Ayres, trumpets WestConnex as a benefit for western Sydney. Hardly any parts of Sydney west of Parramatta are even mentioned in the EIS. All the reasons for this stage of WestConnex are about linking the new M4 and M5 to the western harbour tunnel and northern beaches tunnel. Or they talk about links to the "Sydney Gateway" to the airport and Port Botany and they are not even part of this project.*
- c) *It is anticipated that the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. Why is the state government pushing ahead with the M4-M5 link when there are still no plans for the Sydney Gateway to deal with the increased traffic?*
- d) *When other countries are taking steps to tougher emission standards because of growing concerns about the bad effects of car emissions on people's health, our state government is promoting car use. I object to the WestConnex project because of the increased car emissions it will cause.*
- e) *I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for 40 years, simply to provide revenue to a prospective buyer.*
- f) *The high tolls are set to increase for decades by the CPI or by 4% a year, whichever is higher. This is outrageous when inflation is low and wages are not even keeping up with it. Commuters of western Sydney do not have a real alternative in public transport. This is all about making the tollway attractive to a buyer.*
- g) *Public transport is rejected by the EIS so the state government is forcing us to use cars more when most major cities in the world are trying to reduce the number of cars on the roads. We know this is to promote private road operators' profits. I object to putting so much public funding to the cause of private profit. I urge the Secretary of Planning to reject this project.*
- h) *I ask the Minister for Planning not to approve Stage 3 of WestConnex .*

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Submission from:	Submission to:
Name: <u>Chloe Traill John</u>	Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001
Signature: <u>Chloe Traill John</u>	Attn: Director – Transport Assessments
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Address: <u>20 Hubert St</u>	Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link
Suburb: <u>Leichhardt</u> Postcode: <u>2040</u>	

I submit this objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, **and ask that the Minister reject the application.**

- i. *I specifically object to the removal of the lighting tower and the Port Authority Building. These items are of considerable local significance and are representative of the operation of the Rozelle Rail Yards in the first part of the 20th century. I do not agree with trashing industrial history when it could be put to good community use.*
- ii. *Noise impacts – Camperdown The EIS indicates that a large number of residents will be affected by construction noise caused by demolition and pavement and infrastructure works. This includes use of a rock breaker and concrete saw. During all periods of construction, there will be noise impacts from construction of site car parking and deliveries and pavement and infrastructure works. No proper mitigation measures are proposed to protect residents from these impacts (10-118, EIS) The EIS admits that three residents and two businesses will be subject to noise impacts above acceptable levels for 16 days (10-119, EIS) No detail is provided as to whether alternative accommodation will be offered or other compensation.*
- iii. *Easton Park has a long history and is part of an urban environment which is unusual in Sydney. The park needs to be assessed from a visual design point of view. It will be quite a different park when its view is changed to one of a large ventilation stack. The suggestion that it has been 'saved' needs to be considered in the light of the severe 5 years construction impacts and the reshaped urban environment.*
- iv. *Cumulative construction impacts – Camperdown. The EIS states that residents will likely be subject to cumulative construction impacts as several tunnelling works activities may operate simultaneously (10-119, EIS) No mitigation steps are proposed to ease this impact on those affected.*
- v. *I oppose the removal of further homes of Significance in either Haberfield or Ashfield. The level of destruction has already been appalling. Residents were led to expect that there would be no further construction impacts after the completion of the M4 East. The loss of further houses of the community will cause further distress within this community.*
- vi. *Ground-borne out-of-hours work – Camperdown The EIS acknowledges the noise and vibration impacts and the need for work to occur outside of standard daytime construction hours. It simply states that 'the specific management strategy for addressing potential impacts associated with ground-borne noise...would be documented in the OOHW protocol. This is inadequate as the community have no opportunity to comment on the OOHW protocol or the management of the ongoing impacts to which they will be subjected.*

Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>D. WERNER</u>
Application Number: SSI 7485	Address: <u>22/26 ALBERT ST</u> Suburb: Postcode <u>2747 WERRINGBOROUGH</u>
Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <u>[Signature]</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- A. I object to the whole WestConnex project but particularly this stage because the original objectives of the project – improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany – are now pushed off to another unplanned, unfunded project. The community is asked to support this proposal on the basis of several more projects, in the case of the Sydney gateway, without even a sketch of a plan.
- B. Both the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more cars per day on the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. I object to this push for the M4-M5 link when there are still no plans for the Sydney Gateway to deal with the increased traffic.
- C. I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as being needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for more than 40 years. This is only to guarantee revenue to the new private owner.
- D. We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the construction and the operation of the new roads. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.
- E. I object particularly to the tollway going east which are unfair when people living west of Parramatta really need alternative means of travelling north-south to local neighbourhoods. If we had better public transport, eg, better train services and more buses which connect our suburbs, then many of us would not have to drive and this would reduce the traffic congestion.
- F. Most people in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, or Blacktown who work in Sydney CBD use the trains. What workers travelling to Sydney city really need are better and more frequent trains. This is just dismissed by the EIS.
- G. Public transport is basically rejected by the EIS so the state government is forcing us to use cars more when most major cities in the world are trying to reduce the number of cars on the roads. We know this is to promote private road operators' profits. I object to putting so much public funding to the cause of private profit.
- H. I also object to the WestConnex project because of the increased vehicle pollution it will cause. The UK and European states are more and more concerned about the bad effects of car emissions on people's health and are taking steps to tougher emission standards. Here the state government is promoting car use at the expense of public health concerns.

I ask the Secretary of Planning to refuse approval for this project.

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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link

◆ It is clear from the EIS that spoil truck movements will not be confined to the City West link. At a community consultation it was revealed that trucks removing spoil at Camperdown would very likely be travelling from the James Craig Rd area and in that case would be using the additional lane on the Crescent and then turning right up Johnston St. This is totally CONTRARY to what concerned residents had been promised would not happen. It is clear that any assurances given to the community in past consultations are totally disregarded without consultation later. This is unacceptable.

◆ The latest EIS was released just ten business days after feedback period ended for the Concept Design for the M4/M5 and before preliminary drilling to establish a route through the Inner West is completed. WHAT IS THE RUSH? This EIS is little more than a concept design and is far less developed than earlier ones. It is composed of many indicate only plans such that it is impossible to know what the impacts will be and yet approval is being sought in a rush. The EIS ignores more than 1500 submissions, including one of 142 pages from the Inner West Council.

◆ The proposal to run trucks so close to homes is dangerous. There have been two fatalities on Darley Road at the proposed site location. The EIS does not propose any noise or safety barriers to address this. Despite the unacceptable impact to nearby homes, there is no proposal for noise walls, nor any mitigation to individual homes.

◆ Because this is still based on a "concept design" it is unknown how the communities affected will not know

what is being done below their residences, schools, business premises and public spaces, particularly if the whole project is sold into a private corporation's ownership before the actual designs and construction plans are determined. The EIS makes references to these designs and plans being reviewed but there is NO information as to what agency will be responsible for such reviews or whether the outcomes of such reviews will be made public. The communities below whose homes, business premises, public buildings and public spaces this massive project will be excavated and built will be completely in the dark about what is being done, what standards it is supposed to comply with, what inspection or scrutiny it will subject to, and whether the private corporations undertaking the work will be held to any liability by our government.

◆ I am appalled that the Sydney Motorway Corporation could seek approval to build complex interchanges under the suburbs of Rozelle and Leichhardt on the basis of an EIS that is based on a concept design rather than detailed proposal that includes engineering plans.

◆ The EIS states that by 2033 Ross St will see an increase of 80 heavy vehicles a day at Peak periods. The greatest increase of Heavy vehicles at the PM peak will be in Johnston Street, which will see an increase of about 30-50 vehicles when compared to the 'without project' scenario. At Catherine St there will be an increase of 30 heavy vehicles a day at Peak periods. These streets will see a huge increase in Heavy vehicle movements if Stage 3 is built. The increase would be roughly half this amount if the project did not go ahead. Annexure Fig 26 B2 Section H

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: CHARLIE ATKIN
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Suburb: Richmond Postcode 2040
Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>	
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application.

- The EIS notes that an 'Operational Traffic Performance Review' will be undertaken at 12 months and five years after the M4-M5 Link is open to consider the need for "post-opening mitigation measures" (Page 223, Chapter 9.8, Appendix H). I object to this approach as it is contrary to the requirements of the EIS process and reflects a clear admission on the part of the NSW Government that:
 - It has no confidence in the traffic modelling process to predict to any reliable extent the likely impacts of the Project;
 - It is unable or unprepared to describe the true impacts of the Project on the people of NSW;
 - It has not considered or budgeted for the potentially significant additional roadworks required to address the impacts of the Project (or the need for road upgrades to feed toll-paying drivers to WestConnex).
- The EIS states that the risk of ground settlement is lessened where tunnelling is more than 35m (EIS Vol 2B App E p1). Yet the depths of tunnelling in streets leading to and around the Inner West Interchange are astonishingly low, eg John St at 22m, Emma St at 24m, Hill St at 28m, Moore St 27m, Piper St 37m, (Vol 2B Appendix E Part 2), Catherine St at 28m (Vol 2B Appendix E Part 1) - homes would indisputably sustain damage or cracking at these depths.
- Concentrations of some pollutants PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ are already near the current standard and in excess of proposed standards (p9-81, p9-93). It is critical to note that these particulates are a classified carcinogen and are known to have critical, and at times fatal, consequences if elevated. People living within 500 metres of heavily affected areas have demonstrably shorter lives, much higher incidences of chronic lung conditions and higher levels of cardiovascular diseases.
- I object to the whole WestConnex project and Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link in particular, because I object to paying high tolls to fund a road project that does not benefit Western Sydney.
- The modelling conclusions are internally inconsistent. There is an assumption that traffic would dissipate at the edge of the motorway with no negative impacts on the CBD, Mascot and Alexandria. However there is also an assumption that additional roads would be needed to cope with said traffic.
- Given that the modelling for air quality is based on the traffic modelling, which, as shown above, is fundamentally flawed, and given poor air quality has a significant health impact the EIS should not be approved until an independent scientifically qualified reviewer has analysed the stated air quality outcomes and identified any deficits

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I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

Name: Peter Young

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Attn: Director - Transport Assessments

Application Number: SSI 7485

Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link

- ◆ The EIS contains no detail of the access tunnel from the Darley Road site to the mainline tunnel other than depicting the route. The approval conditions need to ensure that tunnelling is occurring at sufficient depth so as to not jeopardise the integrity of the homes and not create unacceptable vibration and noise impacts for James Street residents and those at adjacent streets. The approval conditions need to make clear the period of time for which the 'temporary' tunnel is to be used.
- ◆ The EIS states that property damage due to ground movement "may occur. It states that subsidence may occur along tunnel paths due to tunnel excavation and water drawdown. The risk of ground movement and subsidence is greater where tunnels are less than 35 metres underground. The planned Inner West Interchange proposes tunnels in that area which are a great deal less than 35metres. The same is true for areas of Rozelle where layers of tunnels are proposed. This will definitely lead to structural damage and cracking to homes above. Without provision for full compensation for damage there would be no incentive for contractors or Roads and Maritime Services to minimise this damage. This is not acceptable
- ◆ The proposed work hours for the Rozelle Rail Yards Site are tunnelling and spoil handling 24 hours a day seven days a week. On ground construction Mon-Fri 7.00am - 6.00pm, Sat 8.00am-1.00pm. However as has been experienced by those at Haberfield and St Peters these hours and especially late and night work have been extended and implemented when the schedules have fallen behind and this has lead to great physical and mental stress for many residents through interrupted sleep and loss of sleep especially for those with children. The roads and sites at night in the area will see a marked increase in noise from truck movements, truck reversing alarms and running machinery. It will also see a marked increase in light during the night hours with site illumination and vehicle head lights as has been experienced in other areas. These problems have not been addressed in the EIS.
- ◆ Heritage items - Camperdown. The EIS also acknowledges that the use of a rock-breaker at the outer extents of the project footprint will affect 73 residences, with five heritage items identified as having the potential to be within the 'minimum safe working distance'. While some mitigation 'considered', it is not mandated and the requirement to mitigate is limited to 'where feasible and reasonable'. The mitigation proposed seems in any event to comprise letter-boxing residents about the likely impacts! The protection of heritage items should be mandated, not just considered and there should be a strict requirement to protect such heritage items.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Rick</u>
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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, **and ask that the Minister reject the application and require preparation of a genuine, not indicative, EIS**

- ◇ *Tunnel depths the tunnel depths for the Leichhardt area as low as 35 metres. This creates and unacceptable risk of damage to homes due to settlement (ground movement). The EIS acknowledges that at tunnelling at 35 metres and less this is a real risk. There is no mitigation provided for this risk. Instead, it states that properties will be repaired at the Government's expense. However no details or assurance as to how this will occur are provided. The project should not be approved with such tunnelling depths permitted and with no detail as to the extent of damage and how and when it will be repaired. It will lead to the situation where residents and businesses are forced to engage structural engineers and lawyers to prove that the damage was linked to Westconnex works, with no assurance that this property damage will be promptly and satisfactorily fixed.*
- ◇ *EIS 6.1 (Synthesis, Page 45) describes the Process for addressing project uncertainties. "The EIS is based on the concept design developed for the project. As such, it is to be expected that some uncertainties exist that will need to be resolved during detailed design and construction and operational planning. As described in Chapter 1, construction contractors (for each stage of the project) would be engaged during detailed design to provide greater certainty on the exact locations of temporary and permanent facilities and infrastructure as well as the construction methodology to be adopted. This may result in changes to both the project design and the construction methodologies described and assessed in this EIS. Any changes to the project would be reviewed for consistency with the assessment contained in the EIS including relevant mitigation measures, environmental performance outcomes and any future conditions of approval". The EIS should not be approved till the bulk of these 'uncertainties' have been fully researched and surveyed and the results (and any changes) published for public comment.*
- ◇ *The business case for the project in all three stages has failed to taken into account the external costs of these massive road projects in air pollution for human and environmental health, in adding fossil fuel emissions to increase global warming effects, and in the economic and social costs of the disruption to human activities, of displacement of people and businesses and of the destruction of community cohesion and amenity. These external costs far outweigh any benefits from building roads which poorly serve people's transport needs but instead enrich private corporations.*
- ◇ *The traffic around St Peters expected to be heavier because of the increased road access to the new Interchange will adversely affect our community because moving around to our parks and to the shops, to the buses and to the train stations, for pedestrians and cars, will be more difficult. Our community is being sacrificed for the marginal improvement in traffic movement elsewhere in Sydney. No measures to ameliorate the impact are mentioned. This is unacceptable.*

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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the reasons stated below, and request the Minister reject the application entirely, and cause the proponents to reissue an EIS that is based on a fully researched, developed, and budgeted concept design, and require the proponents to prepare a new business case against that design.


- The EIS social and economic impact study acknowledged the high value placed on retaining trees and vegetation in the affected area but does not mention that WestConnex has already destroyed more than 1000 trees in the St Peters Alexandria area around Sydney Park alone.
- The removal of spoil at the Rozelle Rail Yards will lead to the largest amount of Spoil truck movements on the entire Stage 3 project: 517 Heavy truck movements a day, of which 46 are stated to take place at Peak hours. There will also be 10 Heavy truck movements a day from the Crescent Civil Site. The sheer number of trucks on the road will lead to massive increases in congestion. Maps in the EIS have the spoil trucks going to and from these sites from the Haberfield direction on the City West Link. This is also the direction that is being proposed for spoil truck movements from Darley Rd which is said to have 100 Heavy truck movements a day. It is stated that the cumulative effect of truck movements from all sites on the City West Link will be 700 (one way) Heavy truck movements a day and of that 208 will be in Peak hours. This plan totally lacks credibility.
- Better use of existing road infrastructure has not been analysed as a feasible alternative. The EIS only refers to existing RMS programs. An analysis of urban road projects recommended in the State Infrastructure

Strategy Update 2014 should be conducted as strategic alternatives including:

- Smart Motorways investments on the M4, the Warringah Freeway and Southern Cross Drive-General Holmes Drive
- Upgrading the Sydney Coordinated Adaptive Traffic System (SCATS)
- The original stated objective of WestConnex had as its fundamental objective the connecting to Port Botany. The original objective was the improvement of freight access to the Airport and Port Botany. Stage 1, 2 and 3 do not achieve this goal and this is not addressed in the EIS.
- The EIS refers to benefits from road projects that are not part of the project's scope. The full costs, benefits and impacts of these projects need to be considered in a transparent process.
- The method and logic used to develop and assess the Project is similar to methods that have delivered numerous motorways around Australia that have not only failed to ease congestion, but have made it significantly worse.

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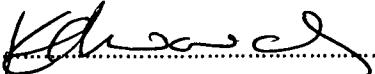
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SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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- Part 3 of the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements requires assessment of the likely risks of the project to public safety, paying particular attention to pedestrian safety. This is not addressed in Chapter 8.
- The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. We now have the proposals for Stages 1,2 and 3 and they don't even go to Port Botany or Sydney Airport. We are being asked to support Stage 3 of WestConnex on the basis of more major unfunded projects that are barely sketches on a map.
- We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.
- The modelling shows severe degradation to the City West Link if the Western Harbour Tunnel is connected.
- 602 homes and more than a thousand residents near Rozelle construction sites would be affected by noise sufficient to cause sleep disturbance even if acoustic sheds and noise walls are used. The EIS promises negotiation to provide even more mitigation on a one by one basis. This is not acceptable to me. As other projects have demonstrated, those with less bargaining power or social networks have been left more exposed. In any case, there is no certainty that additional measures would be taken or be effective.
- Whilst chapters 10 and 12 of Appendix H show mid-block level of service at interfaces with interchanges and points within the tunnels, there is no information about other mid-block points such as the ANZAC Bridge. Part 8.3.3 of the EIS refers to increases in daily traffic forecasts on the Anzac Bridge/Western Distributor, particularly in the AM peak, as traffic accesses the M4-M5 Link and future forms of traffic or network management are intended. Information about the traffic forecasts for the Anzac Bridge/Western Distributor should be provided.
- I object to the way this project is hailed by the Minister for Western Sydney Stuart Ayres for the benefit of western Sydney when hardly any parts of Sydney west of Parramatta are even mentioned in the EIS. This is deliberately misleading. All the reasons for this stage of WestConnex are about linking the new M4 and M5 to the western harbour tunnel and northern beaches tunnel. Or they talk about links to the "Sydney Gateway" to the airport and Port Botany and they are not even part of this project.
- The EIS states that 'Impacts associated with property acquisition would be managed through a property acquisition support service.' There is no reference as to how this support service will be more effective than that currently offered. There were many upset residents and businesses who did not believe they were treated in a respectful and fair manner in earlier stages. The EIS needs to include details as to lessons learned from earlier projects and how this will be improved for the M4-M5 impacted residents and businesses. (Executive Summary xviii)

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Application Name: <u>WestConnex M4-M5 Link</u>	Signature: <u>Lee Findlay</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

I object to this project because it fails to include the point of the original WestConnex project, a direct route to the airport and Port Botany. But the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more vehicles per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. It does nothing to provide an alternative route to Port Botany.

For a small part of the money for this project the railway signal system and the rails could have been modernised and upgraded. Western Sydney could have more frequent and faster services which would really benefit the communities west of Parramatta. I object to the failure of the EIS to evaluate the public transport alternative properly.

It is outrageous that the tolls, already high, are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year. This is just gouging western Sydney road users for the benefit of the eventual private road operators.

The KPMG and Ernst & Young studies cited by the EIS were paid for by Transurban, a private tollway operator. There is no independent assessment of the assertion that NSW's toll roads contributed \$14 billion in benefits over ten years to the state. All the benefits stated by the EIS are vague – for example,

"These improvements would benefit both light commercial and freight road users by reducing travel times to and from Sydney Airport and Port Botany as well as from the west and south west ... Effects would be long term, and benefit the Greater Sydney Region. This would result in a large change in baseline conditions. The consequence of impact would be major and the likelihood would be *near certain*." (my emphasis).
 p.161 of the "Technical Working Paper Social and Economic".

This is not credible when the new stage does not even include direct routes to the airport or Port Botany. Now we are building more tollways to "reduce" traffic congestion, emissions etc. Why is the answer to traffic jams always another road, and in this, a **private** tollway? Why are there no examinations of demand management to reduce the number of vehicles on the road?


The EIS has to admit that the impact of years of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. It is outrageous for motorists to be asked **already** to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls for worse driving conditions.

Given the known risks of car emissions to public health, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce them. The EIS appears to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad. Car emissions are bad for people's health and for the environment and are another cost that should be included in assessing this project. Why aren't health effects and costs included in the EIS?

I demand that the Planning department refuse approval for this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Rhys</u>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: 
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- I object to the high tolls imposed on drivers who have no decent alternative in public transport if they live further west than Parramatta. I am outraged that the EIS quotes from studies in favour of tollways paid for by Transurban, which owns more tollways in Australia than any other corporation. This is so obviously biased.
- I object to this new tollway because of the long-lasting high tolls. In the past tolls were justified as needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for decades after the original roads are paid for. This is only to guarantee revenue to the prospective owner.
- The EIS hardly mentions any part of Sydney west of Parramatta but we are told this project is for the long term benefit of Western Sydney. This is not borne out by the EIS. All the justification focuses on the links of this stage to the western harbour tunnel and northern beaches tunnel. Or it talks about the "Sydney Gateway" to the airport and Port Botany and they are not even part of this project.
- The roads around Sydney Airport are already traffic jams, yet this project will send 1,000s more cars per day into Bourke Rd and Gardeners Rd. I object to the push for the M4-M5 link when there are still no plans for the Sydney Gateway that can deal with the increased traffic
- Because of the high tolls drivers who have to travel east daily will look for alternative routes and build up the traffic on local roads, both here in western Sydney, on Parramatta Rd and all the way to the city. There is no way the WestConnex roads will reduce traffic on un-tolled roads when the tolls on the WestConnex sections are so high and set to increase every year.
- The WestConnex Traffic Model has not been released to Councils and the community so no one can assess its accuracy particularly all the assertions that the tollways will relieve traffic on other roads, particularly Parramatta Rd.
- Rather than adding to pollution, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce car emissions which are now identified with premature deaths. It is not acceptable for the EIS to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad. Car emissions are bad for people's health and for the environment.

This project should NOT be approved on the basis of the EIS.

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- The Project focuses on 'catering for traffic growth' (P4.15). This contradicts and undermines the NSW Government's Long Term Transport Master Plan and Future Transport web site which commit to an integrated approach to congestion management focussed on land use planning, demand management, public transport investment and "a coherent whole of network planning strategy", essentially aiming for growth in public transport and containing road demand to that required to serve the freight and servicing tasks.
- The WestConnex route has changed significantly over time, even after the initial August 2013 Business Case was approved by the NSW Government but not made public. Therefore an Updated Business Case on an updated concept was published in 2015. SGS Economics and Planning undertook a detailed assessment of this and reached the following conclusions:
 - ✦ Misrepresentation of the Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) as 1.71 when it was 1.64.
 - ✦ The Business Case did not identify Stage 3 WestConnex, connecting the M4 to the M5, as a priority for "filling in the missing links in Sydney's motorway network".
 - ✦ Modelling for post-2031 conditions was not undertaken, however benefits were assumed to continue until 2052.
 - ✦ The transport modelling is likely to have underestimated the impact of extra traffic induced by the additional capacity, which would significantly reduce the BCR.
 - ✦ The Business Case did not reflect global approaches to congestion management, such as transit investment and demand management.
 - ✦ The Business Case suggested WestConnex would help renew Parramatta Road by reducing traffic on it, despite the modelling showing that many parts of it would carry more traffic, not less.
 - ✦ Travel time savings are a key component of the positive BCR. A significant proportion of these supposed benefits arise from travel time savings were within the margin of error of modelling, or would be so small that motorists may not notice them (and therefore would not value them).
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 - ✦ The construction costs appear too conservative – if these increase, the BCR would reduce accordingly.
 - ✦ Other costs were not accounted for, such as reduced amenity on urban development, loss of land for higher value activities, and the health costs of potentially reduced public transport use.
 - ✦ In summary, SGS suggested that the actual BCR of the project could be less than 1:1, with NSW taxpayers exposed to the risk that the project may not succeed.

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Name: MALIN SUCHTING

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

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- Recently Andrew Constance has been quoted numerous times promoting his vision of the transport future and some of these views are aired in the EIS but the vision put forward is highly visionary with no practical detail addressing how these changes are going to be brought about and so they are totally unrealistic. For example it is starting to be commonly accepted that car manufacturers will be reducing production of petrol/diesel cars before 2040 probably starting in 2030. It is proposed that electric cars will then take over. It is suggested that cars will be charged over night at people's homes. Virtually no one in the Inner City Suburbs has a garage. Are all the streets throughout all the suburbs going to be fitted out with charging points outside all the houses, similar to parking meters? We have all watched the shambles of the rolling out of the NBN it would be mind blowing to watch what would happen with the rolling out of charging points to each household without a garage and it would take years to achieve. There are virtually no recharging points at any Fuel Stations anywhere as yet and to set these up will take years. A large part of the population run older cars, because that is all they are able to afford. It will take many years for these petrol/diesel cars to disappear. Andrew Constance has also said that when everyone is driving an autonomous car average speeds will be reduced but as they are not being controlled by individual drivers this will mean they will be able to travel much closer together and so there will not be so much delay caused by spread out congestion. If this is to be so perhaps the suggestion could be made that some mechanism could be employed which would enable these cars to link together; if that could be done then they could form -a TRAIN - and then really travel at speed!
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- We object to the selection of the Darley Road site on the basis that it provides for daily movements of 170 heavy and light vehicles accessing Darley Road. This creates an unacceptable risk to the safety of pedestrians accessing the North Leichhardt light rail stop as well as bicycle users accessing the bicycle route on Darley Road and entering Canal road to join the dedicated bike paths on the bay run. Many school children cross at this point to walk to Orange Grove and Leichhardt Secondary College. The EIS states that an alternative truck movement is proposed which involves use of the City West Link with no trucks to access Darley Road. The selection of Darley Road should not be approved if it involves any truck movements on Darley Road, which is what it currently provides.

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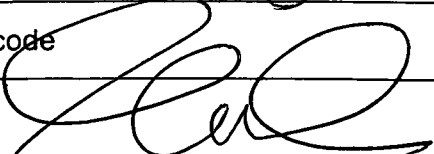
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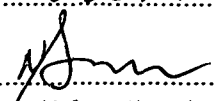
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 Application Name:
 WestConnex M4-M5 Link

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application, and require SMC and RMC to prepare a new EIS that is based on genuine, not indicative, design parameters, costings, and business case.

- ❖ The EIS uses criteria to assess the impact of existing walking and cycling routes that will need to be diverted as a result of the M4-M5 Link. The criteria are based on distance only and exclude the additional travel time taken to complete the diversion. This approach is flawed and should also consider travel time – if it did, this would completely change the assessment of the proposed removal of the existing pedestrian and cycle bridge over City West Link. (P 8-71, Table 8-50). Further, the EIS is silent as to whether the existing pedestrian and cycle bridge over City West Link will be replaced post-construction (P 8-73)
- ❖ I oppose the removal of further homes of Significance in either Haberfield or Ashfield. The level of destruction has already been appalling. Residents were led to expect that there would be no further construction impacts after the completion of the M4 East. The loss of further houses of the community will cause further distress within this community.
- ❖ According to the EIS, buses travelling to the CBD will be slower, despite the construction of a tunnel between Iron Cove and the Anzac Bridge. Bus travel times along Parramatta Road will improve, but only because bus lanes would be extended. This could be achieved without WestConnex and for several billions of dollars less.
- ❖ Significant improvements in rapid public transport are required for significant urban renewal. The experience in Sydney is that public transport is a strong and effective catalyst for urban renewal e.g. Green Square; Ultimo-Pyrmont with light rail; the Anzac Parade corridor, again with light rail; and Sydney Metro City and South West at Waterloo and along the Bankstown Line. The key ingredient is the political will to reallocate road space to rapid transit, or invest in dedicated rail solutions.
- ❖ The EIS admits that it is not even known what excavation would be undertaken at the White Bay Power station. I am particularly concerned about the old water channels and the southern penstock which are part of Sydney's industrial heritage. How could an EIS for such a major project be put forward on this basis? It is fatuous to state that "physical and indirect impacts on this heritage element should be avoided" and suggest that a future plan should be done. Why isn't the need for excavation known? This raises great concerns about the 'indicative only' nature of the work that has been done before this EIS. Why is there such a rush? This EIS is not complete and should be rejected for that reason.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>R. Hennerty</u>
	Address: <u>RUNDOK 193</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- *I object to the WestConnex Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link because I do not see why Western Sydney drivers should pay high tolls to fund a road project that does not provide the direct route to Sydney Airport and Port Botany, the original purpose of the whole project.*
- *On the contrary the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more vehicles per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. There are still no public plans for the Sydney Gateway to deal with the increased traffic.*
- *We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.*
- *It is outrageous that the tolls, already high, are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year. When wages are not increasing in line with inflation, this is just gouging western Sydney road users for the benefit of the eventual private road operators.*
- *The KPMG and Ernst & Young studies cited by the EIS say NSW's toll roads contributed \$14 billion in benefits over ten years but there are NO details. Transurban paid for the studies. This is not an independent source. It should not be quoted in the EIS as authoritative.*
- *The EIS accepts that on average the people who live in western Sydney have lower incomes than in the inner suburbs. That means the tolls will be a heavier burden in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, Blacktown or Wetherill Park than in east of Parramatta. This is unfair when all the benefits of Stage 3 are for north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel.*
- *The money spent on this stage should be spent on improving the train service. What commuters out west really need is an extension of the heavy rail train system. This is not properly considered by the EIS. I object that the public was never consulted about their transport preferences.*

I ask Planning not to approve this project and insist that the EIS be done properly.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: Cheryl Craig
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

I object to this project because it fails to include the point of the original WestConnex project, a direct route to the airport and Port Botany. But the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more vehicles per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. It does nothing to provide an alternative route to Port Botany.

For a small part of the money for this project the railway signal system and the rails could have been modernised and upgraded. Western Sydney could have more frequent and faster services which would really benefit the communities west of Parramatta. I object to the failure of the EIS to evaluate the public transport alternative properly.

It is outrageous that the tolls, already high, are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year. This is just gouging western Sydney road users for the benefit of the eventual private road operators.

The KPMG and Ernst & Young studies cited by the EIS were paid for by Transurban, a private tollway operator. There is no independent assessment of the assertion that NSW's toll roads contributed \$14 billion in benefits over ten years to the state. All the benefits stated by the EIS are vague – for example,

"These improvements would benefit both light commercial and freight road users by reducing travel times to and from Sydney Airport and Port Botany as well as from the west and south west ... Effects would be long term, and benefit the Greater Sydney Region. This would result in a large change in baseline conditions. The consequence of impact would be major and the likelihood would be *near certain*." (my emphasis).
 p.161 of the "Technical Working Paper Social and Economic".

This is not credible when the new stage does not even include direct routes to the airport or Port Botany. Now we are building more tollways to "reduce" traffic congestion, emissions etc. Why is the answer to traffic jams always another road, and in this, a **private** tollway? Why are there no examinations of demand management to reduce the number of vehicles on the road?

The EIS has to admit that the impact of years of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. It is outrageous for motorists to be asked **already** to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls for worse driving conditions.

Given the known risks of car emissions to public health, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce them. The EIS appears to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad. Car emissions are bad for people's health and for the environment and are another cost that should be included in assessing this project. Why aren't health effects and costs included in the EIS?

I demand that the Planning department refuse approval for this project.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

Name: Milk & Thistle Newtown

Signature: [Signature]

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Attn: Director – Transport Assessments

Application Number: SSI 7485

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I. Permanent water treatment plant and substation –
Leichhardt The proposal to locate this permanent structure in a residential setting is opposed. The site will have a negative visual impact on the area and is in direct line of sight of a number of homes. If approved, the facility should be moved to the north of the site further from homes.

II. The assessment and solution to potentially serious problems described in the EIS at 12-57 (where mainline tunnels alignment crosses key Sydney Water utility services that service Sydney's eastern and southern suburbs) is "based on assumptions about the strength and stiffness of the water tunnels given that limited information about the design and condition of these assets was available. Detailed surveys should be undertaken to verify the levels and condition of these Sydney Water assets. A detailed assessment would be carried out in consultation with Sydney Water to demonstrate that construction of the M4-M5 Link tunnels would have negligible adverse settlement or vibration impacts on these tunnels. A settlement monitoring program would also be implemented during construction to validate or reassess the predictions should it be required." The community can have no confidence in the EIS proposals that are incomplete and possibly negligent. The EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these issues are definitively resolved and publicly published.

III. The additional unfiltered exhaust stack on the north-west corner of the interchange will further increase the vehicle pollution in an area where the prevailing south and north-westerly winds will send that pollution over residences, schools and sports fields. The St Peters Primary School in particular will be at the apex of a triangle between the two exhaust stacks on the south-western and


north-western corners of the interchange. This is utterly unacceptable.

IV. Because this is still based on a "concept design" it is unknown how the communities affected will not know what is being done below their residences, schools, business premises and public spaces, particularly if the whole project is sold into a private corporation's ownership before the actual designs and construction plans are determined. The EIS makes references to these designs and plans being reviewed but there is **NO** information as to what agency will be responsible for such reviews or whether the outcomes of such reviews will be made public. The communities below whose homes, business premises, public buildings and public spaces this massive project will be excavated and built will be completely in the dark about what is being done, what standards it is supposed to comply with, what inspection or scrutiny it will subject to, and whether the private corporations undertaking the work will be held to any liability by our government.

V. The EIS uses maps indicating alignment of the mainline tunnels. It is clear from more detailed reading deep into the EIS (ie 12-57 Sydney Water Tunnels) that the alignment and depths of the tunnels may vary very significantly, after further survey work has been done and construction methodology determined by the construction contractor. The maps provided in the EIS are nothing more than 'indicative' and are misleading the community. The EIS should be withdrawn, corrected and updated, and reissued for genuine public comment based on 'definitive' information.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>B Willis</u> Address: <u>3 Tamara Place</u>
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Application Name: <u>WestConnex M4-M5 Link</u>	Signature: 
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- a) I object to the whole WestConnex project and Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link in particular, because I object to paying high tolls to fund a road project that does not benefit Western Sydney.
- b) I object to the long period of the tolls particularly on the widened M4 because we know this work will be paid for in a couple of years and the other 40 years worth of tolls will pay for roads which benefit other parts of Sydney, not the west.
- c) The EIS admits that the people who live in western Sydney have lower incomes than in the inner suburbs and that the tolls will therefore be a heavier cost in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, Blacktown or Wetherill Park than in Parramatta or Padstow. It is unfair it looks like all the benefits of Stage 3 are for north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel, not Western Sydney.
- d) The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. We now have the proposals for Stages 1,2 and 3 and they don't even go to Port Botany or Sydney Airport. We are being asked to support Stage 3 of WestConnex on the basis of more major unfunded projects that are barely sketches on a map.
- e) The EIS admits that impacts of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. In these circumstances it is outrageous for motorists to be asked already to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls. I object to the fact that this is not considered or factored into the traffic analysis.
- f) I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for 40 years. This is only to guarantee revenue to the new private owner.
- g) We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.
- h) The EIS admits that drivers from lower income households are more likely to travel longer distances to avoid tolls because of the cost. These high tolls are unfair. Either you pay the high tolls (capped at \$7.95 in 2015 dollars) or you drive for longer to avoid the tolls. We have seen this already where commuters have chose to drive on Parramatta Rd not the new M4 with the new tolls.
- i) I ask the Secretary of Planning not to approve this project.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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Signature: A. Pickering

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Attn: Director – Transport Assessments

Application Number: SSI 7485

Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link

- One toll road leads to another 3 being proposed. The EIS's for the M4 East and the New M5 argued the case that serious congestion created near interchanges would be solved once the M4/M5 was built. Now it seems this is not the case and more roads will be needed to relieve the congestion – WHERE DOES THIS END? According to the M4/M5 EIS the real benefits will depend on building the Western Harbour Tunnel, the Airport Link and a tollway heading South. None of these projects have been planned, let alone approved but yet are part of addressing the congestion impacts acknowledged for the M4/M5link project. Given this how is it possible to know or address the impacts of the M4/M5 Link, unless this is just yet more justification for yet more roads?
- Research about roads clearly demonstrates that roads create congestion. The WestConnex project is no different and the EIS clearly indicates that this is an impact of the M4/M5 and the consequent roads that will follow. WHERE WILL THIS END AS THE m4/m5 Link EIS itself indicates the RMS is already hard at work considering how to solve these problems – of congestion caused by roads.
- Vegetation: Leichhardt. The mature trees on the Darley Road site should be preserved. If any trees are removed during construction it should be a condition of approval that they are replaced with mature trees.
- The Inner City Regional Bike Network has not been included among projects assessed under Cumulative Impacts. It is identified by Infrastructure

Australia as a Priority Initiative and should be included.

- Visual amenity - Pyrmont Bridge Road site - The EIS acknowledges that visual impacts will occur during construction. However it does not propose to address these negative impacts in the design of the project. This is unacceptable and the EIS needs to propose walls, plant and perimeter treatments and other measures at appropriate locations to lessen the impact on visual amenity. (Executive Summary xviii)
- Increased traffic cannot be accommodated in Central Sydney. It will further impede pedestrian movement and comfort and undermine easy access to public transport and reduce access to jobs over large areas of the city. It will undermine the attractiveness of Central Sydney to internationally competitive high productivity firms and their potential employees. Overall productivity is adversely affected.
- In view of the above no tunnelling less than 35m in depth from the surface to the crown of a tunnel (ie the top) under residences should be contemplated let alone undertaken. And of course no tunnelling should be undertaken under sensitive sites.
- Why is there no detailed information about the so called 'King Street Gateway' included in the EIS ?

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I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

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Signature: A. Pickering

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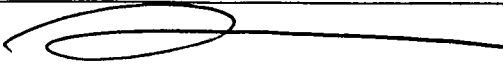
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- ◆ The EIS states that after the M4-M5 opens, that traffic on Darley Road will increase by 4%. There is no benefit in the overall project for residents. During construction westbound traffic will increase on Darley Road by 37%. This increase in traffic for a period of up to five years will make it hazardous to cross the road and access the light rail and travel to Blackmore oval, the bat run, the dog park and the Leichhardt pool. In addition, it will drastically increase both local traffic and outer area traffic at peak commute times. We therefore object to the location of this site based on the unacceptable traffic impacts it will have on road users and on residents.
- ◆ I completely reject the notion that unfiltered pollution stacks should be built anywhere in Sydney, let alone three or four in a single area. I am particularly concerned that schools would be near such unfiltered stacks. The government needs to urgently review its policy of support for unfiltered stacks.
- ◆ The EIS was released just 12 days after the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. This categorically proves that all the Community Consultations and Submissions to the Concept Design were a total sham. There were at least 800 posts on the interactive map. These were limited as the community only had 140 characters available to make their point which was woefully inadequate. But there were at least 1500 written submissions, some of which were highly detailed and of considerable length. There is no way that all these submissions could have been read, considered, their arguments integrated into the EIS and then for the EIS of 7200 pages to be put together, printed and released 12 days after the closing date for submissions to the Concept Design. There needs to be a major investigation into this flagrant abuse of the way NSW planning laws have been flouted for the whole of Westconnex and particularly Stage 3.
- ◆ Unfiltered stacks anywhere in Sydney are not unacceptable. There must be a review of the NSW government's unacceptable policy on this issue. I am appalled that the ex Minister for Planning Rob Stokes who approved the New M5 and unfiltered stacks in St Peters and Haberfield would declare that he would not have them in his own area. How can residents have any trust in a process that is underpinned by such hypocrisy.
- ◆ Targets for renewable energy and carbon offsets are not aligned with NSW government policy. (Table 22-8)
- ◆ The operational Green House Gas (GHG) assessment is based on the WestConnex Road Traffic Model version 2.3 (WRTM v2.3). This model has major flaws and the unreliable outputs of the model put into question the GHG assessment.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Craig Williams</u>	
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application.

- The EIS notes that an 'Operational Traffic Performance Review' will be undertaken at 12 months and five years after the M4-M5 Link is open to consider the need for "post-opening mitigation measures" (Page 223, Chapter 9.8, Appendix H). I object to this approach as it is contrary to the requirements of the EIS process and reflects a clear admission on the part of the NSW Government that:
 - It has no confidence in the traffic modelling process to predict to any reliable extent the likely impacts of the Project;
 - It is unable or unprepared to describe the true impacts of the Project on the people of NSW;
 - It has not considered or budgeted for the potentially significant additional roadworks required to address the impacts of the Project (or the need for road upgrades to feed toll-paying drivers to WestConnex).
- The EIS states that the risk of ground settlement is lessened where tunnelling is more than 35m (EIS Vol 2B App E p1). Yet the depths of tunnelling in streets leading to and around the Inner West Interchange are astonishingly low, eg John St at 22m, Emma St at 24m, Hill St at 28m, Moore St 27m, Piper St 37m, (Vol 2B Appendix E Part 2), Catherine St at 28m (Vol 2B Appendix E Part 1) - homes would indisputably sustain damage or cracking at these depths.
- Concentrations of some pollutants PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ are already near the current standard and
 - in excess of proposed standards (p9-81, p9-93). It is critical to note that these particulates are a classified carcinogen and are known to have critical, and at times fatal, consequences if elevated. People living within 500 metres of heavily affected areas have demonstrably shorter lives, much higher incidences of chronic lung conditions and higher levels of cardiovascular diseases.
- I object to the whole WestConnex project and Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link in particular, because I object to paying high tolls to fund a road project that does not benefit Western Sydney.
- The modelling conclusions are internally inconsistent. There is an assumption that traffic would dissipate at the edge of the motorway with no negative impacts on the CBD, Mascot and Alexandria. However there is also an assumption that additional roads would be needed to cope with said traffic.
- Given that the modelling for air quality is based on the traffic modelling, which, as shown above, is fundamentally flawed, and given poor air quality has a significant health impact the EIS should not be approved until an independent scientifically qualified reviewer has analysed the stated air quality outcomes and identified any deficits

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Signature: [Signature]

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Application Number: SSI 7485

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- A. Rozelle Rail Yards will have 400 car parking spaces provided for workers(EiS). The daily workforce for these sites is stated to be approximately 550. This means that 150 vehicles will need to park in nearby local streets which are already over-subscribed during weekdays by commuters taking the light rail.
- B. There is a higher than average number of shift workers in the Inner West. The EIS acknowledges that even allowing for mitigation measures such as acoustic sheds and noise walls, shift workers will be more vulnerable to impacts of years of construction work and will consequently be at risk of a loss of quality of life, loss of productivity and chronic mental and physical illness.
- C. There is no evidence provided in the EIS that the ventilation outlets will be date. The EIS simply states that 'the ventilation outlets would be designed to effectively disperse the emissions from the tunnel and are predicted to have negligible effect on local air quality (xiv, Executive Summary). This is inadequate and details of the impacts on air quality need to be provided so that the residents and experts can meaningfully comment on the impact.
- D. EIS social impact study states that "the health and safety of residents should be prioritised around construction areas" - this is merely platitudinous in the light of the choice of Darley Rd the third most dangerous traffic intersection in the Inner West as a construction site.
- E. SMC have made it all but impossible for the community to access hard copies of the EIS outside normal working and business hours. The Newtown Library only has one copy of the EIS, and has extremely limited opening hours. Monday and Wednesday: 10am to 7pm. Tuesday: 10am to 6pm. Thursday and Friday: 10am to 5pm. Saturday and Sunday: 11am to 4pm. This restricted access does NOT constitute open and fair community engagement.
- F. I am deeply disappointed that the EIS contains little or no meaningful design and construction detail. It appears to be a wish list not based on actual effects. Everything is indicative, 'would' not 'will', telling me nothing is actually 'known' for certain. This is a dangerous and reckless attempt to get approval for a project that is yet to be properly designed.
- G. I strongly object to the proposed location of this permanent operational facility on Darley Road. The presence of this site contradicts repeated assurances to the community that the site would be returned after construction was completed. The ongoing presence of this site will limit future uses of the darley Road site which could serve community purposes, particularly given its location directly next to public transport. Its presence removes the ability to provide more accessible, safer and direct pedestrian access to the North Leichhardt Light Rail Station. The plant location, in a neighbourhood setting is not appropriate. It will reduce property values and have an unacceptable impacts on the visual amenity of the area. The streets adjacent to Darley Road are comprised of low-rise residential homes and small businesses and infrastructure such as this should not be permitted in such a location.

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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, **and ask that the Minister reject the application and require preparation of a genuine, not indicative, EIS**

- *Stage 3 is the most complex and expensive stage of WestConnex, yet there are no detailed construction plans. It is not enough to say there will be mitigation if negative impacts unfold. An EIS should assess risks and be able to predict whether they are worth risking and if so, what mitigation should be necessary.*
- *I do not accept the finding in the Appendix P that there will be no noise exceedences during construction at Campbell Rd St Peters. There has been terrible noise during the early construction of the New M5. Why would this stop, especially given the construction is just as close to houses? Is it because the noise is already so bad that comparatively it will not be that much worse. This casts doubt on the whole noise study.*
- *The EIS claims to have saved Blackmore Park and Easton Park due to negative community feedback. I am concerned that this is a false claim and that this site was never really in contention due to other physical factors. I would like NSW Planning to investigate whether this claim is correct to have heeded the community is false or not.*
- *The EIS acknowledges that visual impacts will occur during construction. However it does not propose to address these negative impacts in the design of the project. This is unacceptable and the EIS needs to propose walls,, plant and perimeter treatments and other measures at appropriate locations to lessen the impact on visual amenity. (Executive Summary xviii)*
- *Motor vehicles account for 14% of Particulate Pollution of 2.5 microns and less in Australia. There is no safe level to exposure to particulate matter of 2.5 microns and less. Particulate matter is linked with Asthma, Lung Disease, Cancer and Stroke.*
- *The Rozelle and Iron Cove interchanges are not to meet the project objective of linking M4 East and New M5 (Part 3.3 of EIS) and should not be included in the Project. Existing motorways (Cross City Tunnel and Eastern Distributor) would provide suitable road capacity to avoid the city centre.*
- *The Western Sydney Airport is due to commence construction next year with completion in 2026. Demand for air travel in Sydney is set to double over the next 20 years. Initial patronage is said to be 10 million passengers per year. Information should be provided demonstrating how (or whether) the project caters for travel to the new airport and the likely lessening of demand to the current monopoly airport.*
- *It all very difficult for the community to access hard copies of the EIS outside normal working and business hours. The Newtown Library only has one copy of the EIS, and has extremely limited opening hours. This restricted access does NOT constitute open and fair community engagement.*

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <i>Grace Lennox</i>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Suburb: Postcode <i>Emu Plains - 2750</i>
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Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>	

I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- a) I object to the whole WestConnex project and Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link in particular, because I object to paying high tolls to fund a road project that does not benefit Western Sydney.
- b) I object to the long period of the tolls particularly on the widened M4 because we know this work will be paid for in a couple of years and the other 40 years worth of tolls will pay for roads which benefit other parts of Sydney, not the west.
- c) The EIS admits that the people who live in western Sydney have lower incomes than in the inner suburbs and that the tolls will therefore be a heavier cost in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, Blacktown or Wetherill Park than in Parramatta or Padstow. It is unfair it looks like all the benefits of Stage 3 are for north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel, not Western Sydney.
- d) The original objectives of the project specified improving road and freight access to Sydney Airport and to Port Botany. We now have the proposals for Stages 1,2 and 3 and they don't even go to Port Botany or Sydney Airport. We are being asked to support Stage 3 of WestConnex on the basis of more major unfunded projects that are barely sketches on a map.
- e) The EIS admits that impacts of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. In these circumstances it is outrageous for motorists to be asked already to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls. I object to the fact that this is not considered or factored into the traffic analysis.
- f) I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for 40 years. This is only to guarantee revenue to the new private owner.
- g) We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.
- h) The EIS admits that drivers from lower income households are more likely to travel longer distances to avoid tolls because of the cost. These high tolls are unfair. Either you pay the high tolls (capped at \$7.95 in 2015 dollars) or you drive for longer to avoid the tolls. We have seen this already where commuters have chose to drive on Parramatta Rd not the new M4 with the new tolls.
- i) I ask the Secretary of Planning not to approve this project.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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Signature: [Signature]

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Application Number: SSI 7485

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- ◆ **Crash statistics – City West Link and James St intersection.** The EIS only analyses crash statistics near the interchanges. It does not provide any detail as to the number of crashes at the James St/City West Link intersection which, on Transport for NSW's own figures, is the third most dangerous intersection in the inner west. Nor does it comment on the two fatalities that occurred on Darley Road near the proposed construction site. The EIS needs to detail the increased risk in crashes that will be caused by the additional 170 vehicles a day that are proposed to enter and leave Darley Road during the construction period.
- ◆ **I object to the issue of this EIS only 14 days after the period for submission of comments on the concept design closed.** There is no public response to the 1,000s of comments made on the design and it seems impossible that the comments could have been reviewed, assessed and responses to them incorporated into the EIS in that time. This casts doubt over the integrity of the entire EIS process.
- ◆ **The tunnels under Rozelle/Lilyfield are going to be in three levels.** The EIS does not explain what safety procedures are being built into the project to deal with situations like serious congestion, accidents or fire. With a serious hold up on the deepest of these tunnels it is clear that the air quality will very quickly become toxic unless substantial air conditioning is a major part of the design. There is no in depth detail about how these issues are going to be addressed. This is not acceptable.
- ◆ **The TfNSW website says "The Sydney Metro West project is Sydney's next big railway infrastructure investment" but the Cumulative Impact assessment by AECOM (App C) does not include West Metro.** A business case for West Metro should be completed before determination of the Project.
- ◆ **Emissions were not modelled beyond 2033.** This is an omission, as the contractual life of the project is significantly longer, until 2060. The EIS states, on page 22-15 that 'it is expected that savings in emissions from improved road performance would reduce over time as traffic volumes increase'. Therefore, the longer-term outcome of the project is likely to be an increase in GHG emissions
- ◆ **Improving connectivity with public transport, including trains, light rail and bus services in the inner west would make the Parramatta Road corridor a more attractive place to live, work and socialise.**
- ◆ **Given that the modelling for air quality is based on the traffic modelling, which, as shown above, is fundamentally flawed, and given poor air quality has a significant health impact the EIS should not be approved until an independent scientifically qualified reviewer has analysed the stated air quality outcomes and identified any deficits**

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <i>Brenden Roberts</i>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Suburb: Postcode <i>2753</i>
	Signature: <i>B. Roberts</i>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- The state government has already announced it will sell the project. There has been no public discussion or consultation about this decision. I object to the privatization of the road system. The public interest in an efficient and equitable transport system cannot be protected because the private owners will have to operate it to make a profit for shareholders.
- I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as needed to pay for the new road. This new tollway will charge tolls for 40 years, decades after the road has been paid for. This is only to make the project attractive to a private buyer.
- The high tolls are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year, whichever is higher. When inflation is low and wages are not even keeping up with low inflation this is outrageous. This is exploitation of western Sydney road users without giving them adequate alternative means of transport. .
- It is well known that residents in Western Sydney have no adequate alternative in public transport if they live further out from Parramatta. I am appalled the EIS, which is supposed to be an independent assessment, quotes from studies in favour of tollways paid for by Transurban, which owns more tollways in Australia than any other corporation. The whole thing is cooked up to favour private road operators like Transurban.
- The EIS has to admit that on average people who live in western Sydney have lower household incomes than in the inner suburbs and that the tolls will therefore be a heavier cost in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, Blacktown or Wetherill Park than in Strathfield or Padstow. This is unfair when the benefits of Stage 3 are all for north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel.
- People travelling to work in Sydney city want better and more frequent trains. Most people in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, or Blacktown who work in Sydney CBD use the trains to get to work but better trains are just dismissed by the EIS.
- A fraction of money for Stages 2 and 3 of WestConnex should have been spent on upgrading the railway signal system so the train service could be improved. That would actually take cars off the road and improve the traffic flow. I object that we were never given a choice about it.
- The state government is forcing us to use private car transport more when most major cities in the world are trying to reduce the number of cars on the roads. This means more pollution and worse health for all the people living within half a kilometre on major roads. The real costs of this project in pollution and health are not mentioned in the EIS.

I urge the Secretary of Planning to refuse approval of this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <i>Robert Pranjic</i>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

1. I object to this stage of WestConnex because it does not take the huge new tollways to Port Botany or Sydney Airport which were the main justification for the whole project. This is a fraud on the public.
2. All the benefits of Stage 3 outlined in the EIS are focused on the north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel, both additional projects. Why does the state government continue to say WestConnex is for the benefit of Western Sydney and why are western Sydney drivers sluggish with high tolls to pay for these other projects when it does not benefit them?
3. The money for this stage should be spent on upgrading the train service. This would really benefit the communities west of Parramatta. What commuters out west need most is an extension of the heavy rail train system. I object to the fact that we were never given a choice about it.
4. People travelling to work in Sydney city want a better and more frequent train service. Most people in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, or Blacktown who work in Sydney CBD use the trains. The alternatives – such as heavy rail extension – are not properly considered on the same basis as the government's preferred option, the WestConnex tollway project. This is a breach of the EIS process.
5. The state government has announced the sale of the project. There has been no public debate about this. I object to the privatization of the road system. How can the public interest in an efficient transport system be protected when the privatised system must operate for the benefit of shareholders?
6. It is recognised that drivers from lower income households are more likely to travel longer distances to avoid tolls because of the cost. We have seen this already where commuters have chose to drive on Parramatta Rd not the new M4 with the new tolls. It is unfair that either you pay the high tolls (capped at \$7.95 in 2015 dollars) or you drive for longer to avoid the tolls.
7. Public transport is rejected by the EIS so the state government is forcing us to use cars more when most major cities in the world are trying to reduce the number of cars on the roads. We know this is to promote private road operators' profits. I object to putting so much public funding to the cause of private profit.

I ask that Planning not approve this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Melissa Hodson</u> Address: <u>13 Hassett Place</u>
Application Number: <u>SSI 7485</u>	Suburb: <u>St Clair</u> Postcode: <u>NSW</u>
Application Name: <u>WestConnex M4-M5 Link</u>	Signature: <u>MHodson</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- *I object to the WestConnex Stage 3, the M4-M5 Link because I do not see why Western Sydney drivers should pay high tolls to fund a road project that does not provide the direct route to Sydney Airport and Port Botany, the original purpose of the whole project.*
- *On the contrary the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more vehicles per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. There are still no public plans for the Sydney Gateway to deal with the increased traffic.*
- *We know the state government intends to sell the project, both the constructing and the operation. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no guarantee of protecting the public interest in an efficient transport system when so much of it operates to make a profit for shareholders.*
- *It is outrageous that the tolls, already high, are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year. When wages are not increasing in line with inflation, this is just gouging western Sydney road users for the benefit of the eventual private road operators.*
- *The KPMG and Ernst & Young studies cited by the EIS say NSW's toll roads contributed \$14 billion in benefits over ten years but there are NO details. Transurban paid for the studies. This is not an independent source. It should not be quoted in the EIS as authoritative.*
- *The EIS accepts that on average the people who live in western Sydney have lower incomes than in the inner suburbs. That means the tolls will be a heavier burden in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, Blacktown or Wetherill Park than in east of Parramatta. This is unfair when all the benefits of Stage 3 are for north-south connections to the northern beaches or the proposed new harbour tunnel.*
- *The money spent on this stage should be spent on improving the train service. What commuters out west really need is an extension of the heavy rail train system. This is not properly considered by the EIS. I object that the public was never consulted about their transport preferences.*

I ask Planning not to approve this project and insist that the EIS be done properly.

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I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application/# SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

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Application Number: SSI 7485

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responsibility for the design and construction. It also endeavours to lock out the public from being able to have any say in what is built, how it is built and where it is built.

- ❖ The Rozelle Rail Yard stacks are stated to be 38m high and are situated in a valley area. The majority of Balmain Road is 39m above sea level and Annandale St is at 29m above sea level. Both are considerably less than 1 kilometre from the Rail Yard stacks so pollution will be blown directly into many homes in these areas. This will expose the residents of Annandale, Lilyfield, Rozelle and Balmain to highly increased health risks.
- ❖ The proposed work hours for the Rozelle Rail Yards Site are tunnelling and spoil handling 24 hours a day seven days a week. On ground construction Mon-Fri 7.00am - 6.00pm, Sat 8.00am- 1.00pm. However as has been experienced by those at Haberfield and St Peters these hours and especially late and night work have been extended and implemented when the schedules have fallen behind and this has lead to great physical and mental stress for many residents through interrupted sleep and loss of sleep especially for those with children. The roads and sites at night in the area will see a marked increase in noise from truck movements, truck reversing alarms and running machinery. It will also see a marked increase in light during the night hours with site illumination and vehicle head lights as has been experienced in other areas. These problems have not been addressed in the EIS.
- ❖ The Rozelle Rail Yards site is the location of 3 Unfiltered Pollution Stacks. There is a fourth stack on Victoria Rd close to Darling St almost opposite Rozelle Primary School. If the Western Harbour Tunnel is built there will also be a total of 7 Tunnel Portals. Tunnel Portals are also areas of high levels of pollution. It is totally unacceptable that the Pollution Stacks are unfiltered. Recently built tunnels in Tokyo successfully filter 98% of all pollutants. There are at least 5 schools and childcare centres in close proximity to these pollution stacks.
- ❖ Noise impacts - Camperdown The EIS indicates that a large number of residents will be affected by construction noise caused by demolition and pavement and infrastructure works. This includes use of a rock breaker and concrete saw. During all periods of construction, there will be noise impacts from construction of site car parking and deliveries and pavement and infrastructure works. No proper mitigation measures are proposed to protect residents from these impacts (10-118, EIS) The EIS admits that three residents and two businesses will be subject to noise impacts above acceptable levels for 16 days (10-119, EIS) No detail is provided as to whether alternative accommodation will be offered or other compensation.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Joseph Semoan</u>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <u>J. Semoan</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- I object to the WestConnex project because of the increased car emissions it will cause. Elsewhere in Europe and UK governments are growing very concerned about the bad effects of car emissions on people's health and are taking steps to toughen emission standards. Why is the state government promoting car use and ignoring the very real public health concerns?
- What workers travelling to Sydney city need is a better and more frequent train service. Most people in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, or Blacktown who work in Sydney CBD travel by train. The EIS does not properly evaluate the public transport alternatives to the WestConnex road project.
- The state government has already announced the sale of the WestConnex project. I object to the privatization of the road system. There is no way to guarantee the public interest in an efficient transport system is protected when the private operator must ensure a return to shareholders.
- I really object to the way this project is hailed by the Minister for Western Sydney, Stuart Ayres, for the benefit of western Sydney. There is almost no mention of the parts of Sydney west of Parramatta in the EIS. All the justifications for this stage of WestConnex are about linking the new M4 and M5 to the proposed western harbour tunnel and northern beaches tunnel. These are barely concept designs at this stage. The long promised direct route to the airport and Port Botany are not even included in this project. Now we discover that the Sydney Gateway to the port is a separate project, will have an additional toll and is not planned or funded at this point.
- The EIS has to admit that the high tolls will force drivers who have to travel east daily to look for alternative routes. This will increase the traffic on local roads, both here in western Sydney, on Parramatta Rd and all the way to the city. There is no way the WestConnex roads will reduce traffic on un-tolled roads with tolls on the WestConnex sections so high.
- The EIS in fact admits the impact of years of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. It is outrageous that already drivers are forced to pay up to \$20 a day in tolls to use the M4. This is already making the traffic on Parramatta Rd worse because drivers are choosing not pay the tolls.
- This new tollway project will not reduce traffic, just move it around. If they were serious about reducing traffic in Parramatta Rd they would put a toll on it and make the new roads free to encourage the traffic to use the new roads. They are doing the exact opposite, so it is only about gouging the public for the private owner – the Sydney Motorway Corporation.

I ask the Secretary of Planning not to approve this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>Julie Banks</u>
Application Number: <u>SSI 7485</u>	Address: <u>67 Cambridge St</u>
Application Name: <u>WestConnex M4-M5 Link</u>	Suburb: Postcode <u>Cambridge Park</u>
Signature: <u>Julie Banks</u>	
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

I object to this project because it fails to include the point of the original WestConnex project, a direct route to the airport and Port Botany. But the new M5 and the new M4-M5 Link will dump 1,000s more vehicles per day onto the roads to the Airport which are already at capacity. It does nothing to provide an alternative route to Port Botany.

For a small part of the money for this project the railway signal system and the rails could have been modernised and upgraded. Western Sydney could have more frequent and faster services which would really benefit the communities west of Parramatta. I object to the failure of the EIS to evaluate the public transport alternative properly.

It is outrageous that the tolls, already high, are set to increase by the CPI or by 4% a year. This is just gouging western Sydney road users for the benefit of the eventual private road operators.

The KPMG and Ernst & Young studies cited by the EIS were paid for by Transurban, a private tollway operator. There is no independent assessment of the assertion that NSW's toll roads contributed \$14 billion in benefits over ten years to the state. All the benefits stated by the EIS are vague – for example,

"These improvements would benefit both light commercial and freight road users by reducing travel times to and from Sydney Airport and Port Botany as well as from the west and south west ... Effects would be long term, and benefit the Greater Sydney Region. This would result in a large change in baseline conditions. The consequence of impact would be major and the likelihood would be *near certain*." (my emphasis).
 p.161 of the "Technical Working Paper Social and Economic".

This is not credible when the new stage does not even include direct routes to the airport or Port Botany. Now we are building more tollways to "reduce" traffic congestion, emissions etc. Why is the answer to traffic jams always another road, and in this, a **private** tollway? Why are there no examinations of demand management to reduce the number of vehicles on the road?

The EIS has to admit that the impact of years of construction of the M4-M5 Link will worsen traffic on Parramatta Rd. It is outrageous for motorists to be asked **already** to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls for worse driving conditions.

Given the known risks of car emissions to public health, the NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce them. The EIS appears to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad. Car emissions are bad for people's health and for the environment and are another cost that should be included in assessing this project. Why aren't health effects and costs included in the EIS?

I demand that the Planning department refuse approval for this project.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: <u>NATALIE CARROLL</u>
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Signature: <u>Natalie Carroll</u>
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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons:

- ❖ I object to the unfair tolls on this stage of WestConnex to be paid by people living west of Parramatta who need alternative means of travelling north-south to local neighbourhoods. If we had better public transport, eg, a bus service to connect our suburbs, then many of us would not have to drive and this would reduce the traffic congestion.
- ❖ Instead of building WestConnex the money should be spent on modernizing the railway signal system so the train service could be improved. This would be a real benefit to the commuters living west of Parramatta. An extension of the rail train system would be of even more benefit than this white elephant of a tollway. I object that the people of Western Sydney were never consulted about it.
- ❖ I am outraged that the EIS quotes from studies in favour of tollways done by the big accounting firms, KPMG and Ernst and Young, paid for by Transurban. Transurban owns more tollways in Australia than any other corporation. These studies cannot be regarded as credible.
- ❖ It is recognised that drivers from lower income households are more likely to travel longer distances to avoid tolls because of the cost. We have seen this already where commuters have chose to drive on Parramatta Rd not the new M4 with the new tolls. It is unfair that either drivers have to decide to pay the high tolls (capped at \$7.95 in 2015 dollars) or drive for longer to avoid the tolls.
- ❖ I object to the fact that the WestConnex Traffic Model has not been released to Councils and the community so it cannot be independently assessed. So the EIS just expects us accept the assertions that the tollways will relieve traffic on other roads, particularly Parramatta Rd, despite admitting that the years of construction will make the traffic on Parramatta Rd much worse. How long are we expected to put up with this?
- ❖ The NSW government should be seeking ways to reduce emissions. It is not acceptable for the EIS to argue that worsening pollution is not a problem simply because it is already bad. Car emissions are bad for people's health and for the environment. Why is the state government ignoring the bad health impact of increasing the numbers of cars on the road? The costs to the public purse of dealing with the worse health caused by vehicle pollution – particularly for children and older people – are ignored in the EIS evaluation of the costs of the project.

The EIS should be based on actual plans not a concept design. It must be rejected.

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Attention Director Infrastructure Projects, Planning Services, Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001	Name: KAREN ANSTIS	
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Application Name: WestConnex M4-M5 Link	Suburb: KINGSFORD	Postcode 2032
Signature: Karen Anstis Please include my personal information when publishing this submission to your website Declaration : I HAVE NOT made any reportable political donations in the last 2 years.		

I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application.

- I object to this new tollway because in the past tolls have been justified as needed to pay for the new road. This is not the case of this tollway that will charge tolls for 40 years. This is only to guarantee revenue to the new private owner.
- The proponent excludes the impact of the Western Sydney Airport from analysis of the project. This could have a significant impact on traffic volumes.
- The modelling shows significant increases in traffic on Victoria Rd (+20% ADT) which is already at capacity.
- Most people in Emu Plains, Penrith, Mt Druitt, or Blacktown who work in Sydney CBD use the trains. What workers travelling to Sydney city really need are better and more frequent trains. This is just dismissed by the EIS.
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- The modelling shows the motorway exceeds reasonable operating limits in the peak in less than ten years.
- The key intersection performance tables in App H (p.258 St Peters and 248 Rozelle) demonstrate that many intersections will either worsen (at the worst case scenario of LOS F) or remain unchanged particularly in 2033, including the following intersections:
 - ◆ Princes Highway/Canal Road
 - ◆ Princes Highway/Railway Road
 - ◆ Unwins Bridge Road/Campbell Street
 - ◆ Campbell Road/Bourke Road
 - ◆ Princes Highway/Campbell Street
 - ◆ Ricketty Street/Kent Road
 - ◆ Gardeners Road/Kent Road
 - ◆ Gardeners Road/Bourke Road
 - ◆ Gardeners Rd/O'Riordan Street
 - ◆ Victoria Road/Lyons Road
 - ◆ Victoria Road/Darling Street
 - ◆ Victoria Road/Robert Street
- The underlying traffic modelling and outputs was insufficient to:
 - ◆ Demonstrate the need for the project.
 - ◆ Understand impacts of dispersed traffic on connecting roads, such as the Anzac Bridge, and whether they have available capacity to meet the predicted traffic discharge. Any congestion on exits has the capacity to negate all travel time savings to the exit point, given the small predicted benefits.
- Public transport is rejected by the EIS so the state government is forcing us to use cars more when most major cities in the world are trying to reduce the number of cars on the roads. We know this is to promote private road operators' profits. I object to putting so much public funding to the cause of private profit. I urge the Secretary of Planning to reject this project.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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described and assessed in this EIS. Any changes to the project would be reviewed for consistency with the assessment contained in the EIS including relevant mitigation measures, environmental performance outcomes and any future conditions of approval". It is unstated just who would have responsibility for such a "review(ed) for consistency", and how these changes would be communicated to the community. The EIS should not be approved till significant 'uncertainties' have been fully researched and surveyed and the results (and any changes) published for public comment (ie : the Sydney Water Tunnels issues at 12-57)

- The justification for this project relies on the completion of other projects such as the Western Harbour Tunnel which has not yet been planned, let alone approved.
- The EIS states that property damage due to ground movement may occur. We object to the project in its entirety on this basis. The EIS states that 'settlement, induced by tunnel excavation, and groundwater drawdown, may occur in some areas along the tunnel alignment'. The risk of ground movement is lessened where tunnelling is more than 35 metres. However, some tunnelling is at less

than 10 metres. This proposed tunnel alignment creates an unacceptable risk of ground movement. In addition, the EIS states that there are a number of discrete areas to the north and northwest of the Rozelle Rail Yards, to the north of Campbell Road at St Peters and in the vicinity of Lord Street at Newtown where ground water movement above 20 milliliters is predicted 'strict limits on the degree of settlement permitted would be imposed on the project' and 'damage' would be rectified at no cost to the owner. would be placed (Executive Summary, xvii -iii). The project should not be permitted to be delivered in such a way that there is a known risk to property damage that cannot be mitigated to an acceptable level of risk.

- The additional unfiltered exhaust stack on the north-west corner of the interchange will further increase the vehicle pollution in an area where the prevailing south and north-westerly winds will send that pollution over residences, schools and sports fields. The St Peters Primary School in particular will be at the apex of a triangle between the two exhaust stacks on the south-western and north-western corners of the interchange. This is utterly unacceptable.

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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the reasons stated below, and request the Minister reject the application entirely, and cause the proponents to reissue an EIS that is based on a fully researched, developed, and budgeted concept design, and require the proponents to prepare a new business case against that design.

- ◇ A review of RMS traffic counts on numerous arterial routes within the 'sphere of influence' of the Project have shown no growth in traffic since 2006. During this period Sydney's population (as measured by the Greater Capital City Statistical Area) has grown at a rate of 1.5% per annum on average. Roads measured:

- Parramatta Rd at Ashfield (station 25002), Leichhardt (station 20012), Five Dock (station 30005) and Annandale
- ANZAC Bridge (station 20001)
- Anzac Parade Moore Park (station 03022 b/w 2008 and 2017)
- Cleveland Street (station 03022)
- Sydney Harbour Tunnel (station 01003)
- O'Riordan Street (station 02309)
- Sunnyholt Road Blacktown (station 69198)
- General Holmes Drive Brighton-Le-Sands (station 23055)
- King Georges Rd Roselands (station 24026)

- ◇ For example The St Peters / Sydney Park Interchange will overload the Mascot road network. As a result traffic levels were reduced to fit the modelling.
- ◇ It is clear from reading the EIS that the impacts of the project on traffic congestion and travel times across the region during five years of construction will be negative and

substantial. Five years is a long time. At the end of the day, the result of the project will also be more traffic congestion although not necessarily in the same places as now. There needs to be a serious cost benefit analysis before the project proceeds further.

- ◇ Rozelle Rail Yards and Rozelle Civil Site. It is clear that the most highly affected area of Stage 3 will be the Rozelle area and the massive and hugely complex Rozelle interchange. The suggestion that Westconnex is capable of building this is highly questionable. Nothing like this has been built anywhere else in the World. Considering the simple problems of dust management, noxious gasses and the handling of toxic materials like asbestos that have been so inappropriately dealt with on Stages 1 and 2 by Westconnex this intersection of Stage 3 is a disaster waiting to happen and should definitely not be allowed to proceed without a massive investigation. What has been shown in the EIS is totally inadequate for this project to be allowed to proceed.

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I submit my strongest objections to the M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, and request the Minister to reject the application and require SMC / RMS to issue a true, not an 'indicative' and fundamentally flawed EIS

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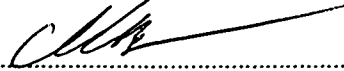
- 2 G Appendix P Table 5-27 of the EIS states that 43% of the Leichhardt- Glebe Precinct travel to work by Car, 21% by Bus and 5% by Rail. These are figures for 2011. These figures are being used to promote the project and suggest they are accurate today. In the case of Rail these figures are extremely questionable. The Light Rail is now hugely popular, it's use having grown enormously. It is travelling at full capacity at Peak hours. More services are being put in place. Apartment blocks are being built as close to the Light Rail corridor as possible. Residents see the Light Rail as an efficient, reliable and timely method of commuting to work. It is blatantly obvious that the Govt should be investing heavily in building and extending Light Rail, Metro and Rail. If this were pursued in a professional manner the necessity for trying to hoodwink the community into believing that Westconnex were needed would be totally unnecessary.
- The EIS identifies a risk to children from construction traffic at Haberfield School. I find such risks unacceptable and am not satisfied with a promise of a Plan to which the public is excluding from viewing or providing feedback until it is published.
- Rozelle Rail Yards will have 400 car parking spaces provided for workers(EiS). The daily workforce for these sites is stated to be approximately 550. This means that 150 vehicles will need to park in nearby local streets which are already over-subscribed during weekdays by commuters taking the light rail.
- There will be increases of noise in the area of Johnston St where traffic volumes will increase. Residents will be more susceptible to health impacts associated with increased noise. In the EIS it is stated that residents may have to keep their windows closed. They may well experience sleep disturbance and interference of living activities like eating outdoors. However the EIS considers this to be only moderately negative. This is not acceptable.
- I object to the fact that the WestConnex Traffic Model has not been released to Councils and the community.
- For example, the AECOM EIS for the New M5 failed to deal with how the massively contaminated land fill at Alexandria would be managed during construction. After months of sickening odours, the NSW EPA admits that despite fining SMC and requiring contractors to take measures to control odours, they have not stopped. It acknowledges that it does not have the power to stop work until WestConnex contractors comply with environmental regulations.
- Rozelle is an old and historic suburbs of Sydney. The damage that this project would do in destruction of homes, other buildings and vegetation is unacceptable, especially when the project would leave a legacy of traffic congestion in the area.

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- The three Pollution Stacks in the Rozelle Rail yards are shown to be 38 meters high. This is a totally inappropriate location for these Pollution Stacks. The Rozelle Rail Yards are located in a valley. The Stacks will be on land that is approximately 3.5 meters above sea level. Balmain Road between Wharf Rd and Victoria Road is at an elevation of on average 37 meters. Orange Grove Primary School is at an elevation of 33.4 meters. Areas of Hornsey Rd Rozelle are at 28 meters. Around the junction of Annandale St and Weynton St in Annandale the height above sea level is 29 meters. All these areas are in close proximity to these stacks. All the pollution being exhausted from these stacks will almost be on the same level as these locations and so will be blowing almost directly into these properties, especially in summer when many windows are open. This is not acceptable. In situations of no wind the pollution will accumulate in this valley area and make the surrounding area highly polluted. This is not acceptable. There are also at least 4 schools of Primary age children well within one kilometer of these Stacks. Young children are the most vulnerable to pollution related disease.
- EIS social impact study states that "the health and safety of residents should be prioritised around construction areas" – this is merely platitudinous in the light of the choice of Darley Rd the third most dangerous traffic intersection in the Inner West as a construction site.
- The EIS states that the Rozelle interchange and the surrounds of the Anzac Bridge are currently close to capacity. With the proposed project construction the area is going to be subjected to a huge increase in vehicle movements throughout the area for 5 years. Even the 'with project' scenario states that this area will experience no improvement and if anything the current situation will be worse. This is totally unacceptable and proves that the whole project is a complete White Elephant. Indeed it is stated in the EIS that the only way to mitigate for this situation by 2033 is for the working population to adjust their work hours. "Due to forecast congestion, some of this traffic is predicted not to be able to start or finish their journey within the peak period. Some drivers will therefore choose to make their journey either earlier or later in the peak period to avoid delay. This behavior is called 'peak spreading'..." This is a categorical admission of failure of this complete project and a stupendous waste of Tax Payers money.
- No noise barriers have been proposed. This is unacceptable and appropriate noise barriers should be included in the EIS for consideration. (Executive Summary xvii)
- The mechanical ventilation proposed depends on single direction tunnel construction, so how it can possibly work for large curved tunnels on multiple levels is unknown.

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I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application, and require SMC and RMC to prepare a new EIS that is based on genuine, not indicative, design parameters, costings, and business case.

- ❖ Are there other potentially serious problems with Sydney Water utility services (described at EIS 12-57) or with other utilities in other suburbs or along the proposed M4-M5 tunnel alignment? If so, the EIS proposals and application should not be approved till these are all disclosed, researched, surveyed and the resolution publicly published.
- ❖ One of the main reasons for establishing Buruwan Park was as a relatively quiet nature corridor for wildlife not for successions of children's parties so the assessment of this area in the EIS is entirely blinkered and inaccurate. The Rozelle Rail Yards site that may appear to development driven planners as an unattractive and wasted eyesore is ironically a very important nature reserve. It is perhaps the only area in the Annandale/Glebe area where Fairy Wrens can be found because of the substantial bush cover. This is very important as where these birds are found nature tends to be in balance which is not the case in parks like Easton Park and Bicentennial Park.
- ❖ The proposal for a permanent water treatment plant and substation to the south of the site on Darley Road will prevent direct pedestrian access to the light rail station. It will affect the future uses of the site once the project is completed. The facility is out of step with the area which is comprised of low rise homes and detracts from the visual amenity of the area. This site is a pedestrian hub and will be a visual blight for pedestrians, bike users and the homes that have direct line of sight to the facility. It should not be permitted on this site.
- ❖ The EIS states that construction noise levels would exceed the relevant goals without additional mitigation. The additional mitigation is mentioned but not proposed. All possible mitigation should be included as a condition of approval. The EIS acknowledges that substantial above ground invasive works will be required to demolish the Dan Murphys building and establish the road. The EIS noise projections indicate that for 10 weeks residents will suffer unacceptable noise impacts. The EIS does not contain a plan to manage or mitigate this terrible impact. There is no detail as to which homes will be offered (if at all) temporary relocation; there are no details of any noise walls or what treatments will be provided to individual homes that are badly affected. The approval needs to contain detail as to how this unacceptable impact will be managed and minimised during the construction period and, in particular, during site establishment.
- ❖ The EIS refers to be construction impacts as being 'temporary'. I do not consider a five year construction period to be temporary.

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I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

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- ❖ The Rozelle Rail Yard stacks are stated to be 38m high and are situated in a valley area. The majority of Balmain Road is 39m above sea level and Annandale St is at 29m above sea level. Both are considerably less than 1 kilometre from the Rail Yard stacks so pollution will be blown directly into many homes in these areas. This will expose the residents of Annandale, Lilyfield, Rozelle and Balmain to highly increased health risks.
- ❖ The proposed work hours for the Rozelle Rail Yards Site are tunnelling and spoil handling 24 hours a day seven days a week. On ground construction Mon-Fri 7.00am - 6.00pm, Sat 8.00am- 1.00pm. However as has been experienced by those at Haberfield and St Peters these hours and especially late and night work have been extended and implemented when the schedules have fallen behind and this has lead to great physical and mental stress for many residents through interrupted sleep and loss of sleep especially for those with children. The roads and sites at night in the area will see a marked increase in noise from truck movements, truck reversing alarms and running machinery. It will also see a marked increase in light during the night hours with site illumination and vehicle head lights as has been experienced in other areas. These problems have not been addressed in the EIS.
- ❖ The Rozelle Rail Yards site is the location of 3 Unfiltered Pollution Stacks. There is a fourth stack on Victoria Rd close to Darling St almost opposite Rozelle Primary School. If the Western Harbour Tunnel is built there will also be a total of 7 Tunnel Portals. Tunnel Portals are also areas of high levels of pollution. It is totally unacceptable that the Pollution Stacks are unfiltered. Recently built tunnels in Tokyo successfully filter 98% of all pollutants. There are at least 5 schools and childcare centres in close proximity to these pollution stacks.
- ❖ Noise impacts - Camperdown The EIS indicates that a large number of residents will be affected by construction noise caused by demolition and pavement and infrastructure works. This includes use of a rock breaker and concrete saw. During all periods of construction, there will be noise impacts from construction of site car parking and deliveries and pavement and infrastructure works. No proper mitigation measures are proposed to protect residents from these impacts (10-118, EIS) The EIS admits that three residents and two businesses will be subject to noise impacts above acceptable levels for 16 days (10-119, EIS) No detail is provided as to whether alternative accommodation will be offered or other compensation.

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I wish to register my strong objection to WCX's proposed Stage 3 (M4-M5 Link), particularly in Rozelle. Reasons for my objection include:

1. TRUCK MOVEMENTS

42 heavy vehicle and 140 light vehicle movements a day from the Iron Cove civil site have been articulated in the EIS (Vol 1A Chapter 8 Traffic and Transport). It is not clear from the EIS whether the light vehicles will be carrying spoil. Also, no analysis of the magnitude of increased noise pollution for local residents has been included here.

2. TRAFFIC CONGESTION VICTORIA RD NORTH OF IRON COVE

Where the project would connect to the existing road network, increased congestion is forecast in parts of Mascot, along Frederick Street at Haberfield, Victoria Road north of Iron Cove Bridge, Johnston Street at Annandale and on the Western Distributor (EIS, Vol 1A Chapter 8 p103). This is a major problem that deserves more than a sentence, especially in relation to Iron Cove Bridge which is already congested at peak hour, and Saturday mornings. Weekend traffic is particularly congested at the Drummoyne end of Iron Cove bridge where cars are trying to access Birkenhead Shopping Centre. Cars are banked up along Victoria Rd to turn left into Park and Formosa Streets & Henley Marine Drive. Has any traffic modelling been done on this part of the road? What is the point of pouring 54,000 extra car movements a day through the tunnel onto ICB and a suburban shopping strip (Victoria Rd, Drummoyne) to create a bottleneck? The speed limit within the tunnel will be 80km/h. RMS "Speed Zoning Guidelines" limits before and after tunnel are 60km/h. This change in speed would surely have the potential to increase this bottleneck further when road usage is high. This is not acceptable.

3. PEDESTRIAN/RESIDENT AMENITY

The artist's impressions at Figures 7.39 and 13.37 (showing a view of the ventilation facility and pedestrians using the sidewalk) bear no relation to reality. Currently pedestrians try to avoid walking along this side of the road because it is too exposed to traffic. It is an extremely grimy area, especially between ICB and Terry St. Where is all the traffic in the drawings? Tunnel portals are also areas of high levels of pollution. It is totally unacceptable that residents will have to consider their health before walking outdoors, as well as being aesthetically challenged by the stack which is disproportionately high to the rest of the buildings in the area and will cast a shadow at some point over the footpaths and a number of local homes.

4. UNFILTERED SMOKE STACKS

It is totally unacceptable that the pollution stacks for Rozelle are unfiltered. There is no safe level of exposure to particulate matter of 2.5 microns and less. Recently built tunnels in Tokyo successfully filter 98% of all pollutants. Building the stack near Rozelle Public School is totally unacceptable as young children are the most vulnerable to pollution related disease. Building the stack near the Bay Run which people use for exercise is also unacceptable.

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- ✦ The EIS states that, if the current proposal for ventilation facilities do not manage to achieve satisfactory environmental and health impacts, that further ventilation facilities may be proposed. This is unacceptable and the EIS does not provide the alternative locations for any such facilities and therefore the community is deprived of any opportunity to comment on their impacts. The EIS should not be approved on the basis that there may be additional ventilation facilities that are not disclosed in the EIS.
- ✦ The EIS acknowledges that impacts of construction should M4M5 get approval will worsen traffic congestions on Parramatta Rd. In these circumstances it would be outrageous for motorists to be asked to pay up to up to \$20 a day in tolls. I object to the fact that this is not considered or factored into the traffic analysis.
- ✦ Why is there no detailed information about the so called 'King Street Gateway' included in the EIS ?
- ✦ There are two areas in the Rozelle Rail Yards site where construction will be by cut and cover. These are the Portals for the Western Harbour Tunnel and the Portals for the M4/M5 link. This is of particular concern in the light of residents experiences in areas of Haberfield and St Peters where highly contaminated land areas were being disturbed. There was totally inadequate control of dust in these areas, where the dust would have been loaded with toxic chemical particulates. The old Rail Yards are highly contaminated land from their past use. The EIS gives no specific details of how this highly toxic threat is going to be securely managed. It is not acceptable for this to be decided only when the Construction Contracts have been issued, when the community will have no say or control over the methodology to be employed for removing vast amounts of contaminated spoil.
- ✦ Why is there no detailed information about the so called 'King Street Gateway' included in the EIS ?
- ✦ The Darley Road site should be rejected because it involves acquiring Dan Murphy's. This business was rem=novated and opened with full knowledge that it was to be acquired. The lessee and sub-lessees should not be permitted compensation in these circumstances. The demolition of the entire building (which the EIS confirms will occur) is wasteful and represents mismanagement of public resources.

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I wish to register my strong objection to WCX's proposed Stage 3 (M4-M5 Link), particularly in Rozelle. Reasons for my objection include:

The Business Case for the WestConnex project (made up of the New M4, Iron Cove Link and Rozelle Interchange, M4-M5 Link, New M5, King Georges Road Interchange upgrade and Sydney Gateway) is not adequate to justify moving to EIS.

While WCX might integrate with the wider motorway network, no evidence is provided demonstrating that it integrates with the wider road network – let alone the broader transport and land use system. The EIS provides no information about changes in traffic volumes entering the Sydney CBD caused by WCX, and Iron Cove Bridge (earmarked for more traffic) is already at capacity twice a day.

RMS has only just commenced work to identify which roads fanning out from WestConnex portals will need to be upgraded to deliver large numbers of vehicles to and from the project. It is therefore impossible to form a properly informed understanding of the environmental impacts – the very purpose of the EIS.

The EIS for the M4-M5 Link is far too conceptual. It does not offer the apposite sureties with regard, for example, construction costs and traffic estimates, which are required (for a watertight EIS) to be within 10% (P10), not 50% (P50).

After this week's revelations (SMH 12/10/17) that the SMC has rejected the sole bid to construct the Rozelle Interchange, and that the RMS will take over from the SMC, re-assigning itself direct responsibility for key elements of the proposed M4-M5 Link, the entire EIS (already adjudged wanting in rigour and detail by many an expert) appears to be lurching toward 'relevance jeopardy'. Ticking off on an EIS in the midst of such design and management turmoil is surely unwise, perhaps illegal?

Approving an EIS for a potentially unbuildable Rozelle Interchange design may also provide the perfect 'cloak' under which to proceed with a St Peters-style *above-ground* interchange. An above-ground design would potentially see many more houses in Rozelle acquired and bulldozed. If the current EIS for the M4-M5 Link was signed off, the community would be powerless/voice-less to object to such a substitute proposal. This is unacceptable, and should invalidate the current EIS.

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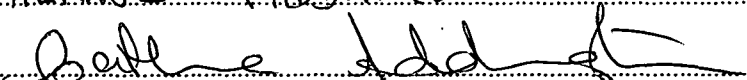
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- ◊ The WestConnex route has changed significantly over time, even after the initial August 2013 Business Case was approved by the NSW Government but not made public. Therefore an Updated Business Case on an updated concept was published in 2015. SGS Economics and Planning undertook a detailed assessment of this and reached the following conclusions:
- Misrepresentation of the Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) as 1.71 when it was 1.64.
 - The Business Case did not identify Stage 3 WestConnex, connecting the M4 to the M5, as a priority for "filling in the missing links in Sydney's motorway network".
 - Modelling for post-2031 conditions was not undertaken, however benefits were assumed to continue until 2052.
 - The transport modelling is likely to have underestimated the impact of extra traffic induced by the additional capacity, which would significantly reduce the BCR.
 - The Business Case did not reflect global approaches to congestion management, such as transit investment and demand management.
 - The Business Case suggested WestConnex would help renew Parramatta Road by reducing traffic on it, despite the modelling showing that many parts of it would carry more traffic, not less.
 - Travel time savings are a key component of the positive BCR. A significant proportion of these supposed benefits arise from travel time savings were within the margin of error of modelling, or would be so small that motorists may not notice them (and therefore would not value them).
 - Insufficient justification was provided for the significant travel time savings, and economic benefits, factored into the BCR for business and light commercial vehicles – for instance there was insufficient analysis of origins and destinations of these trips.
 - The construction costs appear too conservative – if these increase, the BCR would reduce accordingly.
 - Other costs were not accounted for, such as reduced amenity on urban development, loss of land for higher value activities, and the health costs of potentially reduced public transport use.
 - In summary, SGS suggested that the actual BCR of the project could be less than 1:1, with NSW taxpayers exposed to the risk that the project may not succeed.
- ◊ The project fails to address its most fundamental objective of connecting to Port Botany, the genesis of the entire enterprise

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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals for the reasons stated below, and request the Minister reject the application entirely, and cause the proponents to reissue an EIS that is based on a fully researched, developed, and budgeted concept design, and require the proponents to prepare a new business case against that design.

- Rozelle Rail Yards and Rozelle Civil Site. It is clear that the most highly affected area of Stage 3 will be the Rozelle area and the massive and hugely complex Rozelle interchange. The suggestion that Westconnex is capable of building this is highly questionable. Nothing like this has been built anywhere else in the World. Considering the simple problems of dust management, noxious gasses and the handling of toxic materials like asbestos that have been so inappropriately dealt with on Stages 1 and 2 by Westconnex this intersection of Stage 3 is a disaster waiting to happen and should definitely not be allowed to proceed without a massive investigation. What has been shown in the EIS is totally inadequate for this project to be allowed to proceed.
- Human health risk (Executive Summary xvi) - The EIS states that there may be a 'small increase in pollutant concentrations' near surface roads. The EIS states that potential health impacts associated with changes in air quality (specifically nitrogen dioxide and particulates) within the local community have been assessed and are considered to be 'acceptable.' We disagree that the impacts on human health are acceptable and object to the project in its entirety because of these impacts.
- Truck routes – Leichhardt: No trucks should be permitted on Darley Road or local roads in

Leichhardt or Lilyfield. The EIS proposes that all trucks will arrive at the Darley Road civil and tunnel site from Haberfield and travel along Darley Road to the site, with a right-hand turn now permitted into James Street. The proposed route will result in a truck every 3-4 minutes for 5 years running directly by the small houses on Darley Road. These homes will not be habitable during the five-year construction period due to the unacceptable noise impacts. The truck noise will be worsened by their need to travel up a steep hill to return to the City West Link, so the noise impacts will affect not just those homes on or immediately adjacent to Darley Road. The proposal to run trucks so close to homes is dangerous and there have been two fatalities on Darley Road at the proposed site location. The EIS does not propose any noise or safety barriers to address this. Despite the unacceptable impact to nearby homes, there is no proposal for noise walls, nor any mitigation to individual homes.

- At the western end of Bignell Lane near Pyrmont Bridge Road existing flood depth was identified up to one metre in the 100 year ARI. The NSW Government Floodplain Development Manual (2005) identifies this location as a high flood hazard area.

I wish to submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485. The reasons for objecting are set out below.

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- ◆ EIS is Indicative only – Pyrmont bridge Road site – The EIS should not be approved as it does not contain any certainty for residents as to what is proposed and does not provide a basis on which the project can be approved. This is because the EIS states ‘the detail of the design and construction approach is indicative only’ and is subject to ‘detailed design and construction planning to be undertaken by the successful contractors.’
- ◆ The EIS gives no information about changes to traffic increases entering the Sydney CBD caused by the Westconnex. Duncan Gay when asked about this, in connection to huge increases of traffic predicted to enter the city from Westconnex at St Peters, would only say that traffic would disperse! So thousands of extra vehicles would magically disperse – where? There is no plan for this. RMS has only just started work to identify which roads will need to be upgraded to deal with these vast numbers of extra vehicles entering the city. So it is impossible to form an understanding of the true Environmental impacts of this project – which is the very purpose of an EIS.
- ◆ The removal of Buruwan Park for road widening and the realignment of the Crescent is a particular loss of badly needed parkland. This park was established as a nature corridor and a buffer to shield the local residents from City West Link, there are mature trees on this site, it was not intended as a children’s recreational area with play equipment, the description in the EIS is inaccurate. Buruwan Park also has a main cycle route running through it. The alternative route being suggested is poor and takes no account of encouraging cycling as a mode of transport. The alternative routes are based on distance only and take no account of time taken or topography. Had this been done then this would have changed the assessment for the removal of the existing cycle/walkway bridge over the City West link. There is also no mention of this bridge being replaced after construction of the Westconnex. This is not acceptable.

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I object to the whole of the WestConnex Project, and the specific WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application, for the following reasons, and request the Minister reject the application.

- *The M4-M5 Link enables the expansion of the WestConnex network to include the Western Harbour Tunnel, Beaches Link and M6. These motorway projects, were not part of the WestConnex business case and are not priority projects in any State or Federal roads plan.*
- *The business case is fatally flawed in a number of ways :*
 - *It does not factor in the impact of longer total journey lengths on urban sprawl, which will have a flow-cost for infrastructure and servicing.*
 - *It includes benefits from WestConnex supporting more compact commercial land use when this is generally not the result of motorway investment, and is unlikely to be in the area served by Stage 3.*
 - *It does not attempt to cost the reductions in public transport, especially the loss of fare revenue.*
 - *Ancillary road projects necessitated by WestConnex, such as the potentially \$1BN Alexandria-Moore Park Connectivity Upgrade, should have been included in the Business Case.*
 - *Impact on property values, costs of noise during construction, and loss of business should all have been costed and included in the Business Case*
- *Loss of heritage to the whole community (not just property owners) should have been included in the Business Case.*
- *The Government is spending many billions of taxpayer dollars via Metro Rail to try and free itself of the restrictions of the City Circle that imposes a choke on the whole rail network, but is now replicating a the city circle with a 60km road network. It does makes sense to focus a rail network on the centre of the densest employment and residential area of Australia, with the greatest economic output per square kilometre. However, it is the antithesis of common sense, practicality, economic productivity, property value creation, environmental planning, social planning and basic transport planning to replicate it with more motorways.*
- *The Business Case for the WestConnex project (made up of the New M4, Iron Cove Link and Rozelle Interchange, M4-M5 Link, New M5, King Georges Road Interchange upgrade and Sydney Gateway was not adequate to justify moving to environmental impact assessment.*

I object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the reasons set out below.

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I submit my strongest objections to the M4-M5 Link proposals as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, and request the Minister to reject the application and require SMC / RMS to issue a true, not an 'indicative' and fundamentally flawed EIS

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- 2 G Appendix P Table 5-27 of the EIS states that 43% of the Leichhardt- Glebe Precinct travel to work by Car, 21% by Bus and 5% by Rail. These are figures for 2011. These figures are being used to promote the project and suggest they are accurate today. In the case of Rail these figures are extremely questionable. The Light Rail is now hugely popular, it's use having grown enormously. It is travelling at full capacity at Peak hours. More services are being put in place. Apartment blocks are being built as close to the Light Rail corridor as possible. Residents see the Light Rail as an efficient, reliable and timely method of commuting to work. It is blatantly obvious that the Govt should be investing heavily in building and extending Light Rail, Metro and Rail. If this were pursued in a professional manner the necessity for trying to hoodwink the community into believing that Westconnex were needed would be totally unnecessary.
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I submit my objection to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link as contained in the EIS application # SSI 7485, for the following reasons, **and ask that the Minister reject the application and require preparation of a genuine, not indicative, EIS**

- *An on-line interactive map was published with the M4-M5 Concept Design that indicated a very wide yellow 'swoosh' that is upwards of a kilometre wide in some sections of the M4-M5 proposals. SMC have NEVER publicly published or acknowledged that the contractor to be appointed to build the tunnels will be 'encouraged' to do so within the yellow swoosh footprint, but may go outside the indicative swoosh area if found necessary after further geotech and survey work. The proposed Sydney Water Tunnels surveys (EIS 12-57) could potentially see a dramatic change in the tunnel alignments in the Newtown area. Why were these surveys not done during the past three years such that 'definitive' rather than 'indicative' alignments could be published. The EIS should be withdrawn till such time that it is a true and fair 'definitive' document open for genuine public comment.*
- *I object to the location of a permanent substation and water treatment plant following the completion of the project on the Darley Road site. This will limit the future uses of the land and the community has been continually assured that the land, which is Government-owned, would be available for community purposes. The presence of this facility will forever prevent the ability for safe and direct pedestrian access to the light rail stop, with users required to walk down a dark and winding path. It will also limit the future use of the site. If a permanent facility is to be located then it should be moved to the north of the site so that it is out of sight of homes and has less visual impact on residents.*
- *Traffic operational modelling – Leichhardt. The EIS does not provide any operational modelling for the Darley Road area (8-11), despite the fact 170 vehicles a day are proposed to enter this highly congested (during peak hours) area. Darley Road is a critical arterial road for commuters accessing the City West Link and this analysis should be provided so that impacts can be properly assessed.*
- *There is a higher than average number of shift workers in the Inner West. The EIS acknowledges that even allowing for mitigation measures such as acoustic sheds and noise walls, shift workers will be more vulnerable to impacts of years of construction work and will consequently be at risk of a loss of quality of life, loss of productivity and chronic mental and physical illness.*
- *The project directly affected five listed heritage items, including demolition of the stormwater canal at Rozelle. Twenty-one other statutory heritage items of State or local heritage significant would be subject to indirect impacts through vibration, settlement and visual setting. And directly affected nine individual buildings as assessed as being potential local heritage items. It is unacceptable that heritage items are removed or potentially damaged and the approval should prohibit such destruction. (Executive Summary xviii)*

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- ❖ Cumulative construction impacts - Camperdown. The EIS states that residents will likely be subject to cumulative construction impacts as several tunnelling works activities may operate simultaneously (10-119, EIS) No mitigation steps are proposed to ease this impact on those affected.
- ❖ The EIS is based on the fallacy that the M4 and-M5 need linking when they are already linked by the M7, A6 and A3. The A3 is the primary eastern link between the two motorways and is shown in the State Road network hierarchy as the M4-M5 Connector.
- ❖ I am concerned that the AECOM, the company responsible for the EIS, always approves knocking down heritage buildings if the project requires it. It doesn't how much value it holds for the community, it must always be destroyed.
- ❖ Ground-borne out-of-hours work - Camperdown The EIS acknowledges the noise and vibration impacts and the need for work to occur outside of standard daytime construction hours. It simply states that 'the specific management strategy for addressing potential impacts associated with ground-borne noise...would be documented in the OOHW protocol. This is inadequate as the community have no opportunity to comment on the OOHW protocol or the management of the ongoing impacts to which they will be subjected.
- ❖ I strongly object to the WestConnex M4-M5 Link for a multitude of reasons, including :
 - i. It is a toll road project made for big business, searching for a rationale.
 - ii. It fails to meet the primary objectives of providing a direct motorway connection between Western Sydney and Sydney Airport and Port.
 - iii. The Environmental Impact Statement does not safeguard communities. Government is seeking planning approval to sell the project to the private sector and discharging its responsibility and control for the delivery of the project.
 - iv. There is a lack of strategic justification for the project, No feasible alternatives have been developed or assessed.
 - v. There will be major impacts on the Anzac Bridge (projected 60% increase in daily traffic) and Sydney City Centre. The EIS forecasts major impacts on bus travel time and reliability.
 - vi. The EIS does not adequately account for impacts on health and air quality. The EIS identifies an additional 5 unfiltered ventilation stacks to be constructed in inner Sydney. In addition local surface roads will be widened and traffic volumes will increase.
 - vii. Lack of alignment with the NSW Government's priorities and policies
 - viii. Major impacts on the community
 - ix. Legacy Impacts and worsening intergenerational equity
 - x. Other global cities are investing in fast and efficient public transport that truly connects homes and jobs, supports the decentralisation of commercial investment and develops a resilient and equitable city for future generations.