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To: DPE CSE Information Planning Mailbox

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# SUBMISSION OF OBJECTION TO WESTCONNEX M4/M5 LINK EIS.

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The Environmental Impact Statement for Stage 3 admits that the traffic around St Peters will be worse when both stages are completed. So the community would have to put up with the exhaust from tunnels and additional car

emissions from the traffic. 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.

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.

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.

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### SUBMISSION OF OBJECTION TO WESTCONNEX M4/M5 LINK EIS.

As a concerned Sydney resident who uses our road and public transport infrastructure, I find the issues around this proposal troubling. I strongly object to this proposal in its entirety and urge the Secretary of Planning to advise the Minister to refuse the application on the grounds below. NSW Planning must require the Proponent to properly and adequately address the impacts set out below which are not adequately addressed in the EIS.

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My objections are predictable but true nonetheless. Westconnex will pollute and degrade all areas under its path and will create more of the very problems it claims to solve: gridlock and congestion.

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EIS Is effectively a 7,000+ page lie. It makes significant assertions on cost, time savings, urban design outcomes and delivery which are unsubstantiated and wildly variable. As has been the case with many so-called State Significant Development, this EIS is Obfuscation masquerading as information, unable to provide the necessary long term benefits and assurances to benefit Sydney – and should be rejected.

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Following on from this, current deformation of multiple intersection within 3km of St Peters interchange which will be beyond capacity demonstrate that Westconnex is to have detrimental impacts well beyond its immediate boundaries, at great cost. On basic assessment, this is wholly unacceptable.

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**Sent:** Monday, 16 October 2017 5:05 PM **To:** DPE CSE Information Planning Mailbox

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Sydney is not empty ground space. Designs for modes of circulation around this built up metropolis need to recognise this uncomfortable reality and stop building motorways. Yours sincerely, Mora Main 3 Judges Ln, Waverley NSW 2024, Australia

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The entire proposal for WestConnex is an appalling waste of public funds and I completely object to this proposal. Any project that requires more than 7000 pages for an EIS raises serious doubts about its complexity, its huge number of unanswered questions and the fundamental vagueness of the plans. The Secretary of Planning must advise the Minister to reject the EIS and refuse the application. Below are the key points of my submission.

- 1. Spaghetti Network of Tunnels under homes
- 2. Only indicative leaves open for major changes with no community input.
- 3. There are material subsidence issues for every single home above the Rozelle interchange which adds hugely to the scale, cost, and nature of disruption
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- 6. The noise and air pollution during construction are unacceptable
- 7. WestConnex cannot deliver to the people of Western Sydney
- 8. WestConnex will usurp public funds for transport for decades
- 9. The planning process is legally and ethically flawed
- 10. Spaghetti Network of Tunnels under homes

According to the 'concept design', the tunnels under Rozelle/Lilyfield are going to be in three levels. SMC engineers have told residents that the top one of these will only be 15 metres from the surface. The EIS does not explain how such an exchange would be built. It does not explain what safety procedures would be undertaken to deal with situations like serious congestion, accidents or fire if it should be built. With a serious hold up on the deepest of these tunnels, the air quality will very quickly become toxic unless substantial air conditioning is a major part of the design.

At one of the community meetings I attended, the standard response to many of the residents questions were 'That is beyond my remit' or 'That will be answered in the EIS.' We received no real information. It was like the supplied designs: pretty artist impressions, vague tunnel pathways and no detail. And now, the EIS is just as short on answers.

1. Only indicative – leaves open for major changes with no community input

The EIS is based on an indicative design and has insufficient detail for the impacts to be properly assessed and addressed, and the public consultation has been woefully inadequate.

Overall, there has been a lack of meaningful consultation with stakeholders and the community before this EIS was lodged. Since "meaningful consultation" was one of the Secretary's requirements, I ask that you reject this EIS on this basis along.

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. 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.

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Figure 12-18 (on page 12-44, in Chapter 12 Land Use & Property within Volume 1B) and the recent publicity around the questionable build-ability of the underground spaghetti junction of Rozelle interchange make two things terrifyingly clear for local home-owners

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Secondly, the estimates of subsidence are questionable at best – the locations are unclear and unplanned, the scale of what is planned is technically questionable, and even it were buildable, the geological location will warrant continuous dewatering which will drive continued subsidence for decades to come.

Furthermore, experience in Haberfield of current tunnelling processes has been appalling – the Conditions of Approval for Stage 1 and 2 have not protected residents – reports are now documented showing residents who have abided by the process in good faith, and suffered substantial (up to \$100,000) of damage to their homes, are unable to hold subcontractors accountable for recompense.

This situation is untenable and must be fixed for all Stages. The State Government has a responsibility to ensure that compensation funds and accessible mechanisms exist to fully cover all subsidence damage to private dwellings.

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What is most appalling about this whole process is the State Government's complete disregard for the community they are elected to represent. The removal of elected councillors during critical phases of WestConnex and the insertion of an administrator across the three key inner west council areas who was previously an executive in early stages of WestConnex is unethical.

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The number and scale and lack of filtering on the planned airstacks is unacceptable. Diesel particulates are a known carcinogen, and are cumulative. If ex-Planning Minister Rob Stokes is unwilling to expose children in his own electorate, then the NSW Government must be unwilling to expose children or others in Labour electorates.

1. The noise and air pollution during construction are unacceptable

The siting of construction areas, the number of truck movements required 24 hours to remove tunnel spoil, the associated drilling, the duration of construction (5+) years, all point to the stupidity of the project in the first place, and are unacceptable.

1. WestConnex cannot deliver to the people of Western Sydney

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Approval precedes design for Stage 3 with the plan to let the tender by early 2018, but consultation not planned til mid 2018, which renders the consultation meaningless. Instead there must be public exhibition of Submissions and Preferred Infrastructure Report.

To summarise, I request again that the Minister reject this EIS outright, stop this ludicrous process, halt planning approval for the project as a whole, and call for an independent inquiry into the debacle WestConnex has become.

# Elizabeth Foley Lilyfield

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As a parent to 2 children at Haberfield Public School and as a local resident, it is not appropriate or in the public interest for a construction site for Australia's most significant road project to be located approximately 200m from a large primary school where more than 600 students are moving to and from the school every weekday.

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Rozelle Rail Yards and Rozelle Civil Site.

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# Construction Impacts

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amount of traffic in an already congested area. I think this has been underestimated in the EIS and ask that the assessment of the impact be independently evaluated.

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It is time to wake up! The car society is over.

I, therefore, strongly object to this proposal and urge the Secretary of Planning to advise the Minister to refuse the application.

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Yours sincerely, Jennifer Lyall

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Subject: Submission to WestConnex New M4/M5 EIS, project number SSI 16\_7485

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