

Application Number SSI 7485**WestConnex M4-M5 Link – Modification 2 The Crescent overpass**

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Whose idea was it to ruin the look of a Sydney foreshore by plonking a motorway across it?

Have we learnt nothing since the ugly Circular Quay-Cahill Expressway eyesore?

It's not too late. You must reconsider plans for the Crescent overpass on the WestConnex M4-M5 Link. Not only does it take away a park and magnificent old trees, it will be just plain ugly. **Sydney IS its foreshore and harbour areas.** You spoil those, you spoil Sydney. Melbourne will be thrilled.

We should try to retain as much natural beauty as we can. Put it all underground. That is more future thinking than what is currently planned.

Why would we leave future generations with ugliness and no trees, and by trees I mean magnificent Moreton Bay figs, not Casuarinas. Casuarinas might be quick to grow, but they are poor canopy and don't last long.

Why do we make it harder for pedestrians and easier for cars? New thinking is required here. New thinking is a challenge but we can do it, if the will and brains are there.

And will it really solve Sydney's car problem? No. Induced demand is not a myth.

Please re-think this ghastly decision before it's too late. Today's planners will be castigated in years to come, but do they care today?

I look forward to hearing from you and reading your comments.