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WestConnex M4-M5 Link – Modification 2 The Crescent overpass

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This revised plan for the Rozelle bay interchange is being foisted onto the public without adequate time for consideration. It is hard to believe that in 2019 our traffic planners are repeating the same mistake at Rozelle Bay as was made decades ago with the Cahill Expressway at Circular Quay – AS THE CAHILL EXPRESSWAY HAS DESTROYED CIRCULAR QUAY, SO THE OVERPASS AND RECONFIGURED INTERSECTIONS AT ROZELLE BAY WILL DESTROY THE AMENITY OF THE FORESHORE. Why are the traffic planners doing so much for motor vehicles and so little for the local environment, pedestrians and cyclists? Not only are the planners destroying what amenity we have, their schemes are a deliberate attempt to impede people walking from Annandale to the foreshore and the Bicentennial Park by making them cross the noisy roads at four successive crossings instead of one. And for local motorists, the revised plans simultaneously (i) impede the easy movement of cars between Annandale and Glebe Point by making it impossible to turn right from Johnston St into The Crescent, and (ii) increase traffic congestion at the intersection of Booth and Johnston Streets, which is the heart of the Annandale shopping precinct. How can planners continue to ignore the lessons from history and the commonsense approach to city living that is so well understood in progressive societies. STOP THE LOS-ANGELEFICATION OF SYDNEY! RETURN TO THE PLAN THAT WAS PUBLICISED PREVIOUSLY AND STOP THE UNNECESSARY DESTRUCTION OF TREES AND PARKLAND!