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

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I am not a supporter of the WestConnex project, however it has gone ahead anyway despite the protests of local people. I have therefore tried to focus my attention on the positives in terms of the new green open space areas to be developed in the old railway yards area. I cannot believe that the plans that were approved for the Rozelle Interchange are now under threat of being changed after the fact, to include a monstrous overpass. This will completely destroy the whole visual and environmental impact of that rather pleasant green space. Do not create a Cahill expressway in Annandale. Who wants to stroll or play under an enormous concrete flyover - and then there is the added noise pollution of the cars and trucks overhead. Please keep to the original planning and put the route underground and at least give the local community back some of the green space and special little parks you have destroyed to date. I also believe that the overpass will:-

Obstruct a significant local mural;

• Make it more difficult for pedestrians to access Jubilee Park from Johnston St Annandale and the Rozelle Goods Yards in Lilyfield;

- Destroy over 70 trees including the large, mature fig trees at Buruwan Park; and
- Fail to solve Sydney's traffic congestion problem.

Please do not go ahead with a quick and dirty solution and ruin the only redeeming feature of the Rozelle Interchange. Keep it underground.