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Re: **Cabramatta Loop Project – Application Number SSI-9186**

I would like to lodge my objection to the current proposal for a duplicated freight line.

My concerns are as follows:

1. **Safety** – As the road will need to be reconfigured to accommodate the second railroad bridge, the road will be moving closer to the boundary of existing homes.

There is a left hand turn out of Sussex Street and then a tight right hand turn under the bridge. Accidents occur every week with cars and vans crashing into the concrete barriers and the bridge

There is clear evidence of this on the sides of the concrete barriers of the freight bridge and also the old red bridge.

Alternately, vans decide at the last moment that they can't fit under the bridge and reverse back into Sussex Street to turn around or up onto the grass verge next to No 10 to achieve this. A second bridge will make this even more dangerous.

Negotiating the road to get around this corner will be exacerbated by the building of another bridge and what will be a tighter right hand corner.

By relocating the road closer to No 10 there is also a safety issue with young children playing in the front garden of No 10 or riding their bikes and scooter along the pathway adjacent to No 10. The pathway is used daily by dog walkers, children going to school, RSL club patrons, bike riders and many others.

2. **Noise**

No consideration has been given to the residents living in Sussex St. specifically No 10. on the corner and No 8 next door.

The existing Broomfield Noise Barrier wall finishes just before Sussex street. An additional freight line, resulting in 2 freight trains being able to pass each other and the placement of the additional bridge closer to these homes will result in unacceptable level of noise and intrusion on our daily lives.

There will also be an increase in pollution from the expected increase in the number diesel trains using this part of the freight line to overtake one another. The owners of No 10 advise that their bathroom wall has cracked as a result of vibration from existing freight trains.

We the owners of No 8, have not experienced this cracking.

3. Noise Wall Barriers

Both No 10 and No 8 will experience the full force of the freight train noise whereas the other residents in Broomfield Street have a concrete noise barrier to offset the noise and diesel fumes pollution.

We would ask that a wall be erected (similar to the existing noise wall) next to No.10's fence line to offset the expected noise impacts.

4. Drainage and Flash flooding –

The drains under the railway bridge and the drain next to No10 experience flash flooding. Flash flooding from these drains not the Cabramatta creek has occurred 4 times in the last 15 years,

Given the cambour of the road, what is being done to address any additional build up of water that results from the building of the additional bridge.