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I wish to strongly object to the proposed **MP09\_0165 (MOD 1) Modification to Sydney Super Yacht Marina**. My reasons for objecting are set out below.

Yours sincerely

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1. Decisions on possible modifications and enlargement of the Super Yacht Marina are inappropriate at this time. These questions should be delayed so that they can be considered in the context of and in co-ordination with development of the Bays Precinct.
2. The public good and protection of the harbour foreshore and natural assets are required to take precedence over private and commercial interests, according to the Sydney Harbour Regional Environment Plan which covers this area. The changes proposed for the Sydney Super Yacht Marina are a flagrant disregard of these principles.
3. The Super Yacht Marina was originally a temporary measure, set up to cater for special needs during the 2000 Olympics. It has never been legitimized as a permanent fixture which makes expansion of the current facilities even less acceptable.
4. The proposed restaurants, outdoor seating and outdoor licensed venues with live bands will be open all day and seven nights a week. This will impose an unacceptable level of noise on parkland users and local residents, Living directly across from the planned expansions, noise from Liquidity has been bad enough. The expansion plans will cause a vastly greater noise impact which should not be inflicted on the community.
5. Public land should be retained for public use and benefit. The area is publicly owned waterfront land zoned for maritime use. Yet the proposed modifications will create an entertainment area and a playground for the super rich. This is not lawful, moral or just.
6. Rozelle Bay is one of the most polluted bays in Sydney. The proposal must be rejected until effective plans are in place to deal with the inevitable disturbance of polluted sediments and the ensuing consequences.
7. Areas of passive water remaining are already restricted. The proposal will take over more of the passive water in what is a small, already heavily used bay. This will have a major negative impact on the traditional bay users – rowers, dragon boats, yachts and catamarans.
8. Enjoyment of the adjacent parklands by walkers, picnickers and other park users will inevitably be disturbed by noise from the unreasonable increase in super yachts and the development of what is essentially an entertainment precinct.
9. The proposal, with extra outdoor seating, 79% more super yacht berths, restaurants and live music venues, extra car parking and reduced noise controls, will have major implications for local amenities. It should be rejected.