

Diane Sarkies - NWRL - attention Director, Infrastructure Projects

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**Objection to proposal to remove direct rail link from Beecroft to the City in NWRL
Application number SSI-5414**

I wish to object to the fact that the NWRL will remove the direct rail link from Beecroft to the City. This link has existed since the railway line was first opened in September 1886. Passengers from this station will now have to change trains twice in order to get to the City, possibly onto very crowded carriages, at Epping and Chatswood. This will result in less comfortable journeys, increased travel times, and more cars forced back onto the roads in these areas. The removal of our long-standing convenient train link to the City is likely to drive down property prices in our area. The same situation will affect travellers from Cheltenham, Pennant Hills, Normanhurst and Thornleigh. I travel to the City regularly for my work, as does my daughter attending Sydney University. I understand the need for the NWRL to proceed but I do not think that the travelling arrangements of existing commuters should be compromised. *All* commuters should be taken into consideration!

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