

11/45 McLaren Street North Sydney NSW 2060

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Major Projects Assessment Department of Planning & Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir,

I am writing in regards to the EIS as it relates to the Victoria Cross Station at North Sydney.

There are several issues that are cause for concern.

The number of trucks that will be using the very congested roads in and around North Sydney particularly when those trucks will be moving through our suburb 24hours a day. As you will be aware we do have a lot of residential properties and all those people will be impacted should these noisy trucks be allowed to operate non stop all through the night.

McLaren Street, along with the Pacific Highway have major residential properties which are fronting the road these people will be lucky to get any sleep. The fact that this project will go on for so many years gives us great concern.

I cannot imagine how all this extra traffic is to be managed especially knowing how congested North Sydney is already.

I am not sure if your assessor has studied the movement of pedestrians in peak hour in and around Miller Street but to narrow the footpaths to 2.4 metres will cause great difficulty for pedestrians. The issue of wheelchairs does not seem to have been addressed in this assessment. Many of North Sydney residents are elderly and do need walking frames how will those poor people be accommodated in these plans?

I cannot believe that a connecting tunnel from the Greenwood complex & North Sydney Station has not been included in these plans. With the amount of money this NSW Government is spending on this project surely the sensible thing to have included would have been a pedestrian tunnel to allow people easy access from one station to the next not having them coming up onto Miller Street walking in all weather to only descend once again after a few hundred metres.

I am also very concerned as to what the Government's plans are for the space above the new station?

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As an active member of the Community I do know that many people have no idea how the building of this project will affect them I do feel that far more public consultation/ public meetings should have been held. Perhaps it is not too late to have more? I would like to see one held closer to the site e.g. NS Council Chambers or Rydges Hotel conference room.

Please be aware that I am not against the project but would like more consideration given to all those who will be impacted in the building of it.

Yours faithfully,

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Barbara Noden.