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Research shows that infrastructure such as Westconnex does not in the long term address the problem of traffic congestion - surely we are cleverer than to expend billions in this project only to have the same problem in two years. In process decimating suburbs and communities. Shame on you Mr Baird.

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Funnelling more cars into the city is not the answer to our traffic congestion problems. Fast efficient public transport is what Sydney needs and that is where our tax payers dollars should be spent.

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The Environmental Assessment fails to address the scientific evidence of health effects caused by motor vehicle air pollution. The proposal fails to isolate air pollution caused by motor vehicles using West-Connex from residential areas and other public spaces such as schools.

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The project does not identify the actions necessary to ensure that World Health Organisation guidelines will be met for all residential areas impacted by this proposal. The use of the obsolete NEPM criteria is discrediting the scientific evidence contained within the WHO guidelines. The credibility of the EIS documents is highly questionable because of the failure of these documents to include WHO guidelines. On this basis, West-Connex gives inadequate consideration to the health effects arising from motor vehicle pollution. For this reason, the project should be scrapped and alternative lower air pollution options considered.

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We do not want exhaust stacks in Rozelle. The area needs better public transport - invest in that, not in more roads. Toll roads will cause rat-runs around other roads in the area.

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This Government needs to provide Residents and Businesses with the Business case for this Major Project. Also, how is it that this project will destroy a Heritage precinct Suburb such as Haberfield, which is a suburb we should conserve in it's entirety. Local Inner West residents are not opposed to developments and infrastructure upgrades. They just need to provide good long term outcomes. So far WestConnex does not meet these standards.

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It is shocking to see so many trees destroyed along the Parramatta Road corridor leading out to Parramatta. Very upsetting to see such devastation in this day and age. Westconnex is definitely not the way to go.

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I have major concerns about the pollution caused by the smoke stacks, their proximity to residences, plus the increase in traffic, means the local community will be subjected to dangerous levels of toxic fumes and they are likely to cause serious illnesses and even deaths.

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Yours sincerely

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Sydney needs a comprehensive re organisation of public transport for an ever increasing population. This tunnel will be clogged with traffic in the not so distant future. One person in each car is not an efficient mass transport option, nor a clean one.

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As well, everyday we see people in high office misusing moneys entrusted to them. Now we find the NSW Government has signed contracts before publishing the EIS - what are we to make of that?

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Having lived for some years in the 1970's in San Francisco I have seen concrete proof that building more freeways only generates more traffic and more congestion. What is needed is better public transport and no better proof than the hugely popular and successful light rail. Forget more roads and tunnelling.

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Whilst I hope this project will be scrapped if it must go ahead do not make us suffer the risk of injury and put in traffic management systems in side streets like St David's Roads so that people and animals are protected from people avoiding the inevitable traffic jams on Parramatta Road.

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To auggest that West Connex is the solution to Sydney's transport problems is an insult to any reasonable person. People of Western Sydney deserve better public transport.

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I live in the inner west and oppose Westconnex. I want my children to breathe clean air and have the opportunity to catch public transport. Their generation should not be brainwashed into being dependent on cars.

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Sydney and its environment needs much better public transport not more roads - fossil fuels are running out - we need to plan for that, for the environment of our children and grandchildren. Traffic is already a nightmare. We do not need more cars on our streets. Furthermore, the proposals will be enormously disruptive to many of Sydney's most interesting suburbs - do we want to be another Singapore?

High rise and roads and tunnels?

Fix public transport for a fraction of the cost and disruption of the various branches of WestConnex

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I am directly impacted by the WestConnex plans. I value the historical part of out premier city in which I live. Be clever and find a more liveable and respectful solution to our need to improve transporting people to our CBD.

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Improved public transport networks and freight rail services from Botany to the western suburbs, where the distribution centres are, will be far more effective and efficient for all of Sydney!

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Westconnex will only add to congestion and add more cars to the road. As a young person, I and many of my peers wish for this excessive amount of money to be spent on creating public transport for the future.

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I oppose this proposal for these reasons and the already stated public arguments.

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I know King Street St Peters well. It is already unbelievably congested. This project has no vision. And please don't spin-doctor the angle that the inner suburbs are selfishly protecting their own interests in opposition to those in the west. Nobody will benefit from this short-sighted project. Invest heavily in public transport.

Yours sincerely

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Please stop spending money on roads that could be spend on more effective and efficient public transport options.

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Building more roads is not the answer to the traffic problems experienced in Sydney. More affordable and reliable public transport is desperately needed, which will be much more effective in reducing cars and is more environmentally friendly. The pollution the WestConnex will bring with it, on the other hand, will be to the detriment of the the entire Sydney population, but especially those of us living in the Inner West.

Yours sincerely

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From everything I see this will only add to congestion and poor air quality. We should be focusing on meaningful, innovative public transport solutions which connects this city and the communities within it. We need to educate people that a fully integrated public transportation network is critical to Sydney's future as a global city.

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Driving through tunnels is so lifeless.

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I am greatly concerned about the increased emissions that are likely to be associated with this project. By encouraging cars over public transport, we are taking a massive step backwards on one of the major issues facing us today.

Furthermore, we appear to be entering a new age of transport, as self-driving cars are starting to be a reality. Considering the rapid change in this technology today, it would appear to be the wrong time to invest in such a major project without full consideration of how this will be integrated with changes in vehicle use and technology in the coming decade.

A new motorway does not seem to be the sensible way forward. Please consider investing the money in public transportation instead.

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WestConnex aims to reduce congestion. Ultimately it will fail. It will merely bring more cars and we will be back to where we are now. Only public transport - buses; trains; ferries is the only realistic solution.

Yours sincerely

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I am directly affected by this proposal via reduced amenity, the additional traffic on Parramatta road and Bridge road and more generally the huge diversion of public resources to roads rather than public transport. It a(nother) massive lost opportunity for making Sydney a liveable city.

I feel personally let down by the Baird government for its failure of due process in going ahead with the road before finalisation of this EIS, and in general their refusal to seriously consider other transport proposals.

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Yours sincerely

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What about rat running through the streets of Haberfield during and after construction? The residents of Haberfield should not be made to carry the burden of that as well as the stacks. The stack height should be increased to at least 30 metres. Heritage impact should not even be a consideration when determining the stack height as the pollutants coming out of the stack will be even worse.

The stack should be filtered - end of story!!

Yours sincerely, Natasha Pollock

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Yours sincerely, Nicky Tedesco

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Gross fiscal irresponsibility and incompetent policy making from the state government here. Needs to change.

Yours sincerely, Thorne Goodison

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Yours sincerely, Robert Shield

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Yours sincerely, Lisa D'Ambra

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Yours sincerely, Lauren Clair

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More roads, more cars, more pollution, more destruction of communities. How can this be a solution? Why is creating an integrated network of public transport not even an option? Why would you create something that will increase traffic problems and not look at other transport solutions. I'm deeply saddened by the lack of vision you have for the people of NSW.

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Given the latest proposal for the government to increase housing at certain stations on the Bankstown line, already planned increases in the inner west and consequent increases in car usage, the Westconnect M4 East will be overloaded very quickly. Public transport is the main answer and most of the funds should be going to this area of transport instead of road expansion.

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I am very seriously concerned about the impact the this development will have on the Newtown area, in particular King St and Sydney Park. I feel strongly that we should be investing in improving public transport, and not roads.

Yours sincerely, Rebecca Smith

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I strongly object to the WestCONnex project as I believe it is a project not fit for purpose without proper planning or consultancy with community and sells the public out to the interests of develoers and toll operators (who we already know are struggling to make toll roads a viable proposition-hence the cross city tunnel debacle).

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As a long time resident of St Peters, I would love to see more public transport and less cars clotting up the inner west! Westconnex is not a forward thinking solution for our expanding city, and we can certainly do better than this.

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The government should be investing in better public transit options, not more roads.

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The NSW Government has outright publicly acknowledged that the construction of the Westconnex project will, amongst other issues, simply create more traffic congestion in the suburban streets of the inner west suburbs. It is simply taking traffic from the major aterial roads and spilling them onto suburban streets. This is illogical, against public interest and has not been adequately addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

It is unjust and undemocratic to allow this project to proceed without further research and consultation. More needs to be done to justify a \$15 billion expense of taxpayer's money. For a project that is designed to improve traffic congestion in Sydney, there is no transparent and adequate studies and assessments to demonstrate that it will actually improve Sydney's road systems. This is a major flaw by the Government and cannot be covered up by mere propaganda.

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We don't need more roads bringing more congestion to the city. We need a well planned, efficient and reasonably priced transport system to solve the problem.

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I want this money to be spent on public transport not more roads that will increase traffic and pollution in an already congested and polluted city. I am also angry that so far no business case has been released yet the Liberal Government is intent on going ahead with this project at enormous cost to taxpayers.

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I encourage you, the director, to contemplate long and hard before signing off on such a wasteful project. What can you do to build a better Australia in the long run?

I thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

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Westconnex will solve nothing. I can tell you that because I lived in Los Angeles for 25 years and over there the road system is massive and expensive and the traffic gets worse every year. The more roads we build, the worse the problem will get. We must pursue a lifestyle that limits the motor car and does not encourage it. It is time to start getting cars off the road. The motor car culture and lifestyle is destroying our cities and communities.

Yours sincerely

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Invest in public transport not a road that independent experts have serious concerns about. Stop filling developers pockets and make decisions that benefit our whole state not just a few developers who only seek to make themselves wealthy.

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I absolutely object to all aspects of the WestConnex project and consider it a massive waste of mine and other taxpayers' monies. It isn't what we need or even want, instead a shortcut to gain short term approval for Sydney's congestion. I would applaud a decision not to proceed and to allocate funds to a public transport solution with light rail and bus services increased and modernised. The state of Sydney's buses is pathetic compared to other world cities. We need our buses upgraded to be comparable with other capital cities and we badly need extra services and routes so that we can say we have a world class sustainable bus service. To take the scenic route to Central via light rail from the inner west is laughable, we should have a direct express service for light rail to Central. These would be a long term solutions and create long term jobs instead of the short term opportunities created by road construction.

Thank you for your time!

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I have just returned from Europe where large amounts of money are invested in environmentally sustainable public transport projects such as metro systems not car infrastructure.

I continue to wonder about the secrecy surrounding the business case and can only conclude that it is difficult to defend in light of overseas trends.

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Think again!

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I have now heard that the Department will not extend the deadline. If I understand the Department, they will publish my letter about the extension as a submission.

I find this function of being able to update your comments a very handy one and suggest that as others think of more points to add to your submission that you use it to

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- I object to the impact that years of 24-hour construction work will have on communities. Across the route there will be thousands of diesel truck movements a day. Noise and vibration cause stress and anxiety and affect sleep patterns.
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Spending \$15 billion on a road sys=tem that will really be an advantage to few but will end up with more congestion. this money should be spent on public forms of transport, or if govt. is fixated on roads ands tunnels, then one under the Blue mts to those cities like Bathurst/Parkes?orange etc would be more beneficial. It would provide easier access to those areas for employment purposes—and housiong etc is cheaper!

Tollways/freeways in Sydney are for peak hour travel M-F 38 weeks a year! When schools are on holidays no probs travelling!

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This development does nothing to address the threat to the health of inner suburban residents from vehicle exhausts, including diesel particulate, or the urgent need to eliminate greenhouse gases.

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We need more public transport and bike tracks, not roadways and smokestacks!

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Major cities like London continue to improve public transport and discourage driving in the inner city areas whereas we want to simply cater for more and more cars. It doesn't stack up for the long term. We need politicians with some vision.

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I think it stinks that government has transferred control to an entity which is not subject to FOI legislation. This government project has a very bad smell with the public.

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Better transparency is required in all aspects on this project.

Who will be held accountable when this becomes the lemon that it appears to be fast heading to?

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Public transport needs to be improved not more roads!

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The Improvement of public transport is better investment for growing cities.

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