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I object to Westconnex and the new M5 because it will lead to the loss of valuable trees and green space in Sydney Park and encourage an escalation of road traffic on Inner West streets, particularly King Street, which were never designed for such usage. Improved public transport for people living in western Sydney is a cheaper and more environmentally friendly solution to the issues of people moving in a 21 century city.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. The construction of Westconnex and the new M5 will inevitably lead to increased traffic congestion on streets near where I live, affecting the health and well-being of me and my neighbours.

Yours sincerely,

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Loss of parkland!!! Pollution!!!

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. The health and welfare of my family, relatives, friends, neighbours will be doomed by the Westconnex and M5 construction. Our attempts to grow our own food will be fraught. It may become unsafe for our children to play outdoors. Our property values will plummet.

Yours sincerely,

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This latest land grab means that an additional 350 trees will be removed. Have you not heard nor heeded the acting Minister for Cities' call for more trees, not less?

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. The impact will be greatest on my community which will be devastated. The motorway will be something that I will avoid using.

Yours sincerely,

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I believe that more roads will only lead to more congestion, a decreased quality of living and be detrimental to the environment. Sydney has the opportunity to be a leader in infrastructure for the people and its residents and an investment greater public transport would be a more sound idea with longer term dividends.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. The loss of green space and the effect on the environment are of great concern to me. The inner west and Sydney park are lovely areas of Sydney with distinct character that needs to be nurtured and preserved.

Yours sincerely,

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The suburbs of the inner west that are going to take the brunt of the new road systems are going to be transformed so much that they will lose all their character and destroy a unique part of Sydney. This is all because the governments of NSW have failed to supply adequate public transport in the growing western areas of Sydney. It is all very well to move 250,000 thousand new residents out to Camden and the many new suburbs, but there is no public transport and these people are forced to drive. Where is the future planning, these are ugly roads that create bland cityscapes.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It seems from the plans that our local park will be destroyed. We will be living very close to a ventilation stack. Houses in the nearby street will be removed to make way for a wider road. Traffic will be pushed across the ANZAC bridge which has now reached capacity and does not flow by 8.00am on a weekday morning or in peak hour in the afternoon.

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It is not going to solve the traffic problem on Sydneys roads. We need a much better train system ! more roads make more cars. Other cities are trying to decrease cars and improve train systems. It is shocking all this money is going into something so terrible that will destroy this city and use up all funds that we need for a proper train system.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will destroy inner Sydney . Increase traffic and rob Sydney of the chance to have a good train system .

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Because it does not solve our congestion problems, it only provides more opportunity for a higher number of cars. Financially it does not make sense and our tax dollars could be better spent on improving the efficiency of our public transport options. A supposedly world class city should have world class transport options. We don't want to become Los Angeles. It would be destroying a great opportunity for local flora and fauna and recreational space. In short it is development that is the opposite of progression.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will affect the vibrant culture we have in Newtown and the City of Sydney. To be honest it will make me rather disillusioned with the running of the city, struggling to comprehend how they have our best interests at heart, lockdowns and lack of art and now an inability to even see where the money should be correctly spent!

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Tipping more traffic out at St Peters onto King Street is plainly ludicrous.

More public transport and cycleways, not more cars please

Westconnex threatens to decimate the inner west community

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Sydney needs more money spent on better public transport not on a motorway that has a significant negative impact on the residents of inner Sydney. The proposed St Peters interchange will take away parkland, destroy amenity and bring increased traffic onto local roads. It is out of scale and not compatible with the surrounding streets and suburbs.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will be increased traffic into the inner city. It is visually ugly. It will cause more air and noise pollution.

Yours sincerely,

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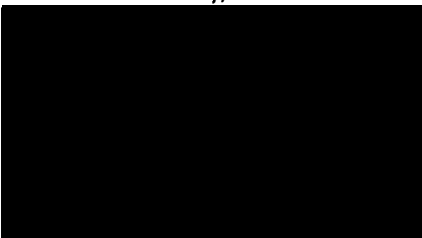
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If we build public transport that allows all who want to use it, to do so, then our current road system would be sufficient to service those who must travel by road. This would leave us a lot of money to put into more important services such as education and health. Don't waste my money on WestConnex.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will carve a giant concrete chasm through my community. It will pollute the air of my city by increasing the number of cars on the roads, it will rob my tax money that should be used for education and health services and public transport. It will displace members of my community through acquisitions of their homes, it has caused years of stress and health problems for people fighting the RMS for fair market value of their homes. It will cause rat running and traffic jams all through the inner west.

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They will cause pollution, decrease in the residents' quality of living, decreased Sydney Park - which is essential for the wellbeing of the people who live in the units around Sydney Park.

They will encourage gridlock on a massive scale. They will cause lung cancer, asthma and chronic obstructive lung disease with overload on severely cut PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES and will shorten people's life span. We are going back to the 19th century.

There is no provision for light rail nor public transport.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will cause micro particles to be discharged into the air. This will cause lung and other cancers, asthma, chronic obstructive airways disease and emphysema.

Yours sincerely,

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Invest in public transport.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will change the inner west from a village to a freeway.

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It will not solve Sydney's traffic congestion problem but it will have devastating, irreversible impacts on our communities, our health, our heritage, our open spaces and our environment.

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I want this madness to stop now. Construction only supports more burning of fossil fuel adding to Climate Change. I don't want to live and breath your pollution. I want to preserve the very special lifestyle of Newtown and St Peters. You will ruin it by building this monstrosity. Listen to the people. WE DO NOT WANT IT.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will create more air pollution affecting the health of my family. It will also destroy the very unique lifestyle we enjoy in Newtown, changing the whole character of the place.

Yours sincerely,

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Because Sydney park is an award winning park, that had gone through changes in the last 3 years , only to be completely ruined by the roads going through and over it.

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will create road closures and heavy dust that cause my allergys to get worse

Yours sincerely,

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will delay my adoption of public transportation which will mean dirtier air and inefficient use of our transportation potential. Basically a missed opportunity to do something more efficient.

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It will destroy many historical neighbourhoods, homes, and businesses. It is also a money making scheme for developers to profit at the expense of others.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will destroy the neighbourhoods that I work and play in.

Yours sincerely,

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impact of cutting down trees and turning parklands into roads will impact on the air quality for thousands of inner west residents.

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I think it will completely disrupt and spoil the neighbourhood. It will contribute significantly to pollution in the area.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will destroy the vibrant communities of the area and surrounds.

Yours sincerely,

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It is an investment in redundant urban management. Get on board public transport.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will directly and permanently turn an inner city community based urban environment into a twisted gnarled blight.

Pushing traffic quicker to the next set of lights.

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It will ruin the area of the inner west where major constructions are planned, and only serve to shift the traffic congestion closer to the city. Money would be better spent on improving public transport

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will directly negatively transform my community into a noisy and polluted traffic zone

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The westconnex rd is going to congest streets and the neighbourhood to an unreasonable level. There is already a gridlock on king st and edgeware rd most days and at most times. This will be worsened by exits coming out onto these streets. Public transport is the most viable option for this location and many people choose to live here because it is easy to access the city. We need cross city public transport, not poorly designed roads that don't respond to the needs of civilians in this district nor the needs of people likely to use that rd.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will directly pollute my living environment further to the traffic and air traffic pollution. It will have a negative impact on my suburb and the ability I have to move around it safely and without the pollution of additional cars and trucks. I want a world class public transport system, having lived in other overseas countries with such infrastructure, I know how much more beneficial this is to the people and economy of the city.

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will dump more traffic near where I work, making my morning commute longer and more stressful. It will also encroach on parkland's that I use, and harm the unique culture of Newtown where I do a lot of my networking and socialising.

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NSW Government should support best practice and best options for improving the transport and amenity for NSW residents. This means directing infrastructure funds to mass transit and not for burdensome road projects that not only will not alleviate long term transport issues but reduce public amenity by permanently destroying parklands.

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That contracts have been signed before the completion of the EIS smacks of a "deal" just like Tibby Cotter Bridge! The appalling design for the M5 will take away our beautiful Sydney Parklands which were only recently completed as a much needed public amenity. Why are you encouraging more cars to come into the city when they ought to be banned. A TAX ought to be levied to PREVENT car in Sydney CBD. It will not solve anything, just create a bigger traffic jamb. It lacks transparency. Public consultation/responses have been ignored.

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It just moves traffic into a massive traffic Jam much like the M25 in London

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This will destroy St. Peters, Newtown and Alexandria. Those of us living in these suburbs don't want this kind of freeway running through our homeland.

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Yours sincerely,

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Toll Roads do not work

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Sydney park is priceless. It is a rare sanctuary.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will impinge on an amazing public space and make king street a car park

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will increase air pollution and traffic congestion throughout the inner west area.

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The only genuine solution to city congestion is more, better, faster public transport. If you build more roads, there will be more motor vehicles, creating the same congestion, with more pollution causing ill health and damage to the environment.

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I object mainly because I believe that Westconnex and the New M5 will have a significant negative impact on amenity, services and noise in Enmore. We already live with high road and air traffic volumes, noise and inconvenience. Westconnex will increase, not reduce, those negatives

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will increase the already very high volume of traffic past my front door

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I am deeply concerned about the impacts on local communities, especially King St, and local amenities, and I am also devastated about the proposed use of Sydney Park which is an important Greenspace. We need to explore the options of better, more reliable public transport.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will increase traffic in and around the inner west which is already severely congested during peak times. I am concerned about noise and exposure to pollution which will only increase. And I am very disappointed about the proposed use of parts of Sydney Park which is an important community site.

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will make it almost impossible to get to the Eastern suburbs. My friends will not easily be able to come to visit, nor I to visit them. Air pollution in and around my suburb will be made much worse. Car traffic in and around Dulwich Hill will be made worse as public transport is allowed to fall into decay as people are being encouraged to do the wrong thing, to use cars.

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I have serious concerns about the impact it will have on my local community.

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As a resident of the inner west for over 20 years my husband and I early on our time here joined a council tree planting day - the beginning of the transformation of Sydney Park. It is sad now to see those trees 20 years on now planned to be cut up to accommodate cars. There is so little green left in Sydney - Trees are our the lungs of the world -not freeways. It will not be long , with all these inner city developments , before Sydneys air looks like the Beijing of Australia. It has,so sadly almost nothing of beauty left.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will not affect me direct as far as transport goes as I do not drive and use public transport only but it shall sadden me a great deal to know that we are imitating the American trend in almost everything where someone gets rich at whose expence?

Yours sincerely,

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Its detrimental to the environment we live in.

Baird's government has not disclosed limited information to the public.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will not resolve the daily congestion I face commuting to work and school.

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Most decision-makers agree we need to act quickly on climate change. This means we need to transition to public transport and bicycle lanes. WestConnex is achieving the opposite - it will maintain cars on the road, and possibly add more. This plan is out of touch with reality, and out of touch with progressive cities in Europe.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will place at least maintain traffic on King St, and possibly add more cars to an already busy street. It will at least maintain, and possibly increase air pollution. We need less cars on King St, not more.

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I object to the pollutants being emitted into what is already a polluted atmosphere - think of all the children and the generations to come. Also I believe the WestConnex is a terrible waste of money which will not solve current traffic flow but block up traffic in other areas eg Broadway.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will pollute my suburb.

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I object to the very building of something that does not seem to have any purpose. It looks like freeway interchanges in the USA. Completely over the top. I object to the loss of more parkland - I love and use Sydney park every day for waking and running. I object to the loss of trees. I object to the building of a road that will ruin the village nature of Newtown and surrounding areas. I object to the volume of traffic that will be pushed into Zetland where I live.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. It will push more traffic into the area in which I live. An area already choked with traffic. It will change the nature of the areas I like to socialise, shop and spend time in

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It will uproot people's lives, pollute the environment and not solve congestion issues - we need to invest in public transport, not another motorway.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Congestion, pollution, cost.

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I am very concerned that the Newtown village community will be ruined and we will simply become a clear way and/or parking lot.

Sydney Park is an important part of green space to the Newtown community.

I am not convinced that this motorway will change the current traffic congestion - investing in public transport will.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Construction and use of the motor way will mean increase in pollution which will effect the health of residents, etc.

Aesthetically a motor way is ugly.

Yours sincerely,

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The government is increasing the cost of fares on public transport when, for the sake of reducing emissions carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases and making the lives of our children and children less unbearable, the government should be encouraging people to use public transport and nudging them to forego private transport.

WestConnex is a "business as usual" concept and will contribute to the looming global warming/climate change catastrophe. It is not part of transforming the economy away from using fossil fuels.

The government is not the handmaiden of business. It is the servant of the people.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. depressing

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It does not make any sense economical or otherwise is just shows madness, corruption and incompetence and lack of vision

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My god! Investing almost seventeen BILLION dollars into renewable energy sources will bring a MUCH better long-term outcome than this toll road.

As well as ruining the last nice cultural region Sydney has left. Lets face it, there's not much culture going around in Sydney compared to pretty much every other first-world city. Protecting (and encouraging) culture will make this society much happier (remember that? a thing called happiness and contentment?) than a slight driving convenience, which I'm guessing because it's a toll road will cost commuters who use it every day hundreds of dollars each year in toll collections. At 3 dollars per day, if you use it 300 times a year that's getting to be quite a large sum of money- Convenience?

Excuse my use of derogatory language but FUCK THIS!

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Devastation. Noise and traffic congestion

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This part of the inner west already carries far too much commercial semi trailers and traffic from all directions of Sydney. The only two things the area has going for it you want to destroy; king street shops and the Sydney Park the only place of refuge among current deluge of exhaust and noise. Shame shame shame on you so called 'planners'

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Disastrous

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Devastation to local community.

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My family lives in this area because we love the community, and the spaces around us. We use Sydney Park every week and it is a huge part of our community. We also do not want the pollution and traffic this will bring to our community. Newtown is an exceptional area with an amazing community of people and deserves to stay as it is. This will not solve the problem only make it worse. You need to look at other options like extending the tram out our way. **DO NOT BRING MORE TRAFFIC IN! DO NOT GET RID OF OUR PUBLIC SPACES AND OUR AMAZING OLD TREES!**

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Disruption to our day to day lives getting to work and school. More traffic in our area which means more pollution and we are Newtown community and do not want this community destroyed!

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WestConnex will further damage the environment and adversely impact on the quality of life and health of the citizens if the Inner West. It is an outdated transport solution that will create further traffic congestion through the city centre. Funds would better be spent on effective public transport. This is a solution belonging to the 1950's.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. During the construction period, the extra heavy vehicle movements will add the noise and poor air quality that is already impacting the health of the inner west community, particularly given the high percentage of diesel powered vehicles historically associated with constructions such as is proposed. I do not believe that the health impacts of this have been adequately accounted for.

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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Environmentally irresponsible and sustainability short-sighted projects affect all of us.

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The traffic in and around Alexandria is already gridlocked. Parking almost impossible. With plans to accommodate an additional 160,000 people in the Alexandria/Waterloo/Erskineville/Green Park area in the near future it is an outrage that ANY precious parkland should be taken to make way for yet more cars to create more pollution and chaos. Public transport is the only satisfactory answer. Spend the billions of our taxpayer dollars earmarked for this hideous new M5 project on environmentally friendly and efficient trains and buses. NO MORE CARS. SAVE SYDNEY PARK.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Even more traffic congestion in an already densely populated area. Loss of precious parkland. Environmental pollution. A complete waste of taxpayers' money.

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I feel like this may create more problems - how come we are not investing in public transport, rather than just building more roads to have more people sitting in traffic

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Before Westconnex I have not signed a petition or been political in any way. Westconnex has changed this. I am incensed by the total disregard to my health by allowing unfiltered airstacks. The fact that a business case nor an EIS has not been published until much after contractors were found smells so much of corruption. Until now I have been so proud to live in Australia where I thought the well being of its citizens was always considered. Unfortunately this is no longer the case.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. Huge.

Two unfiltered airstacks within 200 metres from the home I have fought to maintain and pay off for my family. I am fearful of the increased cancer developing particles that will be filtered through to these airstacks. Building works on Parramatta road will mean huge difficulties for both of my kids to get to school.

Tunnel underground will probably cause damage to my home, which until now was a Federation protected home for generations to admire our history. The extra traffic through my street as people avoid another expensive tollway.

Westconnex encourages us more to use our cars. I would like so much to use public transport. Extend the light rail!

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I object because Sydney's geographical location is stunningly beautiful yet those of us who live in the inner west have very little natural beauty to cling to, it has all been destroyed in the name of industrial progress, so giving up what little we have for more roads, vehicles and pollution is simply wrong.

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The new M5 will be a massive contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, destroying important habitat and green space. The government has no right to be taking any of Sydney Park which is the communities space. We need more public transport not more roads which encourage people to drive their cars.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. I live close to Sydney Park and I use it nearly everyday to take my dogs for a walk. It is a wonderful space with diverse bird life which will be under threat if the Westconnex goes ahead.

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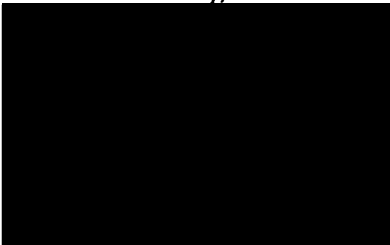
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1) Because it is not a solution. Like every other motorway, it will encourage more cars onto the roads (other than the white elephants). It will shift the current road congestion to a new location which in turn will produce the need for yet another expensive motorway non-solution. 2) It generates pollution and stuffs up the part of the city where it emerges. 3) it directs money into a hole. That money should be spent on fixing this cities woeful public transport. We must be one of few cities in the world who still think travel by car should be encouraged and prioritised over public transport.

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Yours sincerely,

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I would like money allocated for the WestConnex to be redirected to better public transport. Also, I love Sydney Park, and do not want ANY of it to be taken for a motorway.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. I live in Newtown, so the reduction of Sydney Park will directly affect me, as a regular user of this park. Also, I use King St as a pedestrian, cyclist and a motorist. The Westconnex will make this busy street even less desirable to use than ever.

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The decimation of Sydney Park green space and trees

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Public transport is the way of the future not more mega motorways that will do nothing to help the congestion! 80 homes and businesses to be acquired for the project, why not choose a smarter, more affordable option with far less impact to peoples homes, their businesses and the environment of the area?

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. I live in the area and use Sydney Park frequently, I also have a group of friends who live in one of the homes set to be acquired for the project, obviously they aren't looking forward to the future if they won't have a home to live in.

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We don't need more traffic coming into Sydney. We need better public transport to remove congestion and reduce carbon emissions. New roads are SOOO last year dear. We also don't need more trees to be cut down and green space reduced. Are we really stuck in the 1950s here??

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The impact on the key community resource of Sydney Park which massively improves the quality of the lives of those who use it every day.

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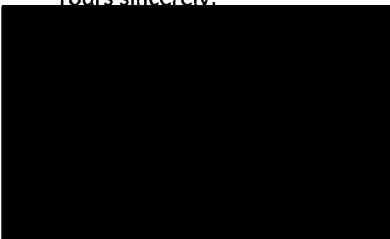
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I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. I will be deeply affected by the air pollution. Scarred by the environmental pollution and degradation. Deafened by the noise pollution. Violated by interlopers careering through Sydney Park - our community backyard. Offended by the increased vehicle presence and oppression of machinery.

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The huge tolls proposed is another attack on the lower income earner creating more social class discrimination and exclusion of artists and altruistic workers in the city to create a dull, gentrified Sydney City that is driven by developer dollars and the profit for a few rather than improving the average sydney dwellers lifestyle.

I also object to this proposal because the construction of WestConnex and the New M5 will have a negative impact on me. I will be less likely to travel to visit friends if i have to pay even greater tolls and the roads will be bottlenecked and worse for years while the road is under construction. I will engage less with my community. I will lose the use of valuable green space in Sydney park.

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The loss of green space in the very popular Sydney Park can not be justified by a road project that will increase traffic congestion and lacks transparency and accountability

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