Director, Transport Assessments Planning Services Department of Planning, Industry and Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney, NSW 2001

**Application: SSI 7485** 

Dear Director Transport Assessments Planning Services,

I write regarding the proposed modification to M4-M5 Link, Mod 2 The Crescent overpass and changes to pedestrian infrastructure in North Annandale, Rozelle and Rozelle Bay Foreshore area.

I request RMS work with the community to explore alternate design options to the proposed new car overpass design and the changed pedestrian and cyclist links. I am seeking the reinstatement of the safe, direct access from the approved EIS GreenLink to create a continuous green open space connection from the Rozelle Rail yards and Annandale to the foreshore. The GreenLink was more than just a walk way - it put people central to the design, maximising safety, and providing much needed accessible open space for the community now and into the future Bays Precinct design.

I am requesting RMS **put people back into the plan** – we want you to reinstate your own vision as laid out in Transport for NSW Future Strategy 2056. Work with us to design a feasible option that brings the best elements from the approved EIS design into the modification.

My key concerns with the M4-M5 Modification are:

- The significantly reduced safety and increased risk for pedestrians and cyclists with removed access over The Crescent to Bicentennial Park and the increased traffic along Johnson Street.
- Being required to cross five sets of pedestrian lights at The Crescent as my option to reach the foreshore from Annandale or from Rozelle Bay light rail stop.
- Removal of direct active links to the foreshore, cutting the community off from the area and the
  proposed revitalisation of the entire Bays Precinct, including linking the Light Rail and Bus stops to a
  Ferry wharf and Metro station.
- Urban and landscape design that is being built before a finalised Masterplan for the area.
- Traffic changes that limit movements around the suburb and create further congestion in the local streets of Annandale, Forest Lodge, Glebe, Lilyfield and Rozelle with no planning to deal with these.

Alongside these issues my other concerns include:

I have a child who attends preschool within Bicentennial Park and another child who attends Annandale North Public School.

Walking or driving between the two my access will be significantly disrupted and cut off under the proposed Modification 2.

Safe and direct access across The Crescent from Johnston St is being removed.

Right hand turn from Johnston St to The Crescent is being removed.

My ability to safely and easily access the public foreshore will be significantly reduced.

The original approved EIS design maintened safe and direct access for my family of five to access the foreshore, their educational facilities and recreational activities.

Please put some focus back on pedestrians and cyclists.
My submission is asking RMS and the Project Team to:
<ul> <li>Reinstate the GreenLink connecting communities and green open space from Rozelle to Bicentennia Park</li> </ul>
Relocate and design pedestrian and cyclist connections that are continuous, safe and direct.      Design the modification infrastructure and active links in response to the character of the suburbs.

- Design the modification infrastructure and active links in response to the character of the suburbs, the location of the foreshore and it's potential future development.
- Provide pedestrian and cyclist paths that maximise people safety and do not force them onto busier streets, unsafe concrete plazas and caged walkways.
- Integrate active and direct connections to all active transport including the future Metro West and Foreshore Ferry Wharf

Furthermore I suggest:

Yours Sincerely,

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