

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

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**Application: SSI 7485**

Dear Director Transport Assessments Planning Services,

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

I am requesting the RMS to work collaboratively with the local community to explore alternative design options for the proposed new motor vehicle overpass design and altered pedestrian and cycle links and am seeking reinstatement of the previously approved EIS GreenLink.

The proper pedestrian linkage between Rozelle and Annandale to the foreshore of Rozelle Bay is a critical piece of human infrastructure providing much needed open space and connection for community now and into the future – especially in this built-up part of Sydney where access to the natural environment is so critical.

As local resident and parent of children attending Annandale North Public School (the closest school to this precinct) I am concerned about:

- The significant reduced safety of pedestrians in this area – in particular, impeded access to foreshore area and increased traffic on Johnson Street which runs within metres of my children's classrooms and play areas;
- Cutting reasonable access to the bay from a significant section of Annandale and other surrounding suburbs;
- Traffic changes that limit movements around Annandale creating further congestion in the local streets – denying basic essentials for the wellbeing of children like easy access to friend's houses for play-dates and meet ups at parks and sporting fields

My submission is requesting the RMS and Project team to reinstate the GreenLink connecting communities surrounding Rozelle Bay with the bay and with each other and to put people first in the design whereby pedestrian connections around our suburbs are made simple and not secondary to motor vehicle infrastructure.

Please don't irreversibly damage our children's wellbeing in this much-loved part of inner-Sydney. It saddens me to think that the line in the Annandale North School Song which refers to our school as being 'on the hill near the bay' might be more accurately rendered as 'on the hill near the freeway' if the GreenLink and associated pedestrian infrastructure is not reinstated and our request for proper consultation and collaboration with the local community is not respected.

Yours sincerely,



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