

## **INQUIRY INTO ROAD TOLLING**

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I live in the Penrith Area and my job requires that I commute daily, often to locations that are not well served by public transport such that the total commute time becomes onerous when using public transport (approximately 2 hours). At the moment I use the M4 on a daily basis as it is the only toll-free motorway option available to residents living west of Parramatta. Placing a toll on the M4 will force myself and many others to use the A roads and other back roads to accomplish our journeys. This will place even more stress on the already over-stressed road system in Sydney. I already avoid using the M2 and M7 as the total cost of these becomes prohibitive for daily use for me: approximately \$23/day, or \$115/week. Placing a toll on the M4 will simply aggravate this problem and also make me think twice about visiting anything east of Parramatta for family events, etc. Depending on the exact location of the toll gates, it may even cause me not to visit Parramatta at all, something which I do regularly for shopping.