

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO ROAD TOLLING

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I have been driving to Sydney from my homes in the Blue Mountains in the last 60 years. It was a great relief to have the M4 built, and concessions given to us regarding the original toll. At the moment, I travel each week to my children, who I access via the James Ruse Drive and also Silverwater Road. With the toll being set up at those two outlets I will now have to pay toll for travelling along the same road, exiting at the same exits, as I have done for decades. I believe that the imposition of a toll for pensioners like myself is unfair and unwarranted. To avoid the toll I will have to exit at the Cumberland Highway, and traverse the traffic in Parramatta. People from this area will probably have the same idea, causing traffic congestion along the Great Western Highway. I am particularly concerned for those people visiting Westmead Hospital, who may face further traffic jams both coming off the M4 and along the Great Western Highway. I can understand and support the imposition of a Toll for the new tollroads, but I do not understand why those of us exiting at James Ruse Drive and Silverwater Road should be required to pay.