

INQUIRY INTO WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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The Director,
Portfolio Committee No. 5,
Parliament House,
Macquarie Street,
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Attention Director,

Re: Inquiry into the Windsor Bridge replacement project

This letter is my submission to the Windsor Bridge Inquiry. My submission is to reflection of my opposition to the Governments proposal to build a bridge 35m downstream of the existing historic Windsor Bridge.

I have been in the area for 22 years and owning two properties one in Kurrajong and one in Windsor. I have experienced the daily commute across the bridge for 10 years and have seen Sydney siders fall in love with Windsor slowly.

My first complaint would be that you are building a bridge that will not improve congestion or traffic flow in the town of Windsor. A new bridge with three lanes built in the middle of such historic buildings is senseless and destructive to our nations heritage. Bypass these important buildings and town and give it to the people of this Country to learn about our fore fathers and mothers whom settled here. With the increase in population and urban sprawl visitors to Windsor to understand our history and enjoy the river is increasing significantly.

Secondly along Windsor Road, after the turn off to Pitt Town road, is a flood zone. It regularly floods and all traffic is directed through Hawkesbury Valley Way, which means enormous traffic and congestions especially as peak hour.

Thirdly a Windsor bypass Bridge is what the people want, how ludicrous to ignore peoples wishes which have been represented in thousands of signatures to Parliament. I am angered at the lack of public consultation and blatant waste of taxpayer's money to continue this project against public wishes. I am deeply disappointed in the destruction of trees, parks and archaeological artefacts.

I would like to conclude with a request to stop the destruction of our Historic Windsor with an ill thought and executed plan. Leave the current bridge for local traffic, bicycle and walking access. Listen to all of the dialogue from community and invest in our history.

Yours sincerely,