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INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX PROJECT

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I wish the inquiry to review the west connex project: many cities with large vehicle expressways have found that they do not decrease peak hour traffic jams and that the better option is to include public transport corridors, bicycle routes and parking hubs. Road projects should not funnel traffic into central locations but ring the traffic around to key locations. The project should upgrade existing roads to link more directly to the airport and northern suburbs rather than costly new spaghetti links that have no public transport infrastructure. We must maintain the integrity of our unique village suburbs, open spaces and use a sensible proportion of funds to create a public transport system that we all want to use and are proud of.