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INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX PROJECT

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Westconnex will increase traffic and traffic congestion as well as air pollution. Building more roads only encourages people to use their cars more. In this era of climate change, we need less traffic, not more. We need widespread public transport so that people don't need to use cars. This will help keep the air clean. It is also likely to make a positive contribution to the well-being of the community. When people are passengers rather than drivers, they are free to chat, sleep, read or listen to music on their journey, without having to focus on the traffic. They then arrive at their destination in a better frame of mind. We don't need more roads, we need more public transport.