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**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX  
PROJECT**

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I am opposed to the West Connex project on the grounds that it does not seem to have accounted for increased congestion, increased urban pollution and the negative community impact that it will create. The compulsory acquisition of homes and businesses will be extremely distressing to many of those affected and for dubious benefit. In addition the cost is excessive at a time when public transport is near breaking point. The resources put toward accommodating more cars would be better spent discouraging cars by increasing access to and efficiency of public transport.

I understand the budget is now \$16.8 billion which is a 68% increase on the original estimate. If the NSW Auditor-General and Infrastructure Australia have both criticised the governance of this project, then where is the observance of due diligence?