

Submission
No 513

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX
PROJECT**

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I am objecting to the Westconnex Project on the following grounds:

1. The initial purpose of Westconnex to ease congestion to and from Mascot Airport and Port Botany (international gateways) have not been addressed. This should have been a priority.
2. The planning has been ad hoc, inadequate and secretive. Westconnex uses public assets and money and planning should be done in transparent manner and be publicly accountable
3. The business case seems flawed as motorists will resist travelling on tolled freeways especially when real wages have dropped compared to the cost of living in Sydney.
4. Environmental damage including loss of homes, recreational lands and air quality from stacks from tunnels have not been addressed. The increase in greenhouse gas emissions have not been taken into consideration.
5. Alternative solutions to a massive motor freeway were not considered. Sydney should be investing in an integrated public transport system with freight and commuter traffic separated on freeways.