

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTERN HARBOUR
TUNNEL AND BEACHES LINK**

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NSW Parliamentary Inquiry into the Western Harbour Tunnel

Submission

I do not believe that consideration has been given to the impact of residents living in Louisa Road. My concerns include:

Disruption to the use of Yurulbin Park for 4 years or more.

Disruption to the use of the ferry service from Yurulbin Point to the City for a long period of time.

Concern at the potential impact of noise and vibration during construction. Houses are built on the waterfront on either side of one road on a narrow peninsular and the noise and vibrations will have an impact on all houses. Has consideration been given to the potential damage that could be done to the houses as a result of the shallow tunnelling.

It is proposed that all movement of man and materials to and from the tunnelling site will be by water transport. Louisa Rd has zero capacity for more cars and trucks and my concern is that the proposed intention will not be a reality and congestion on the road will be unbearable.

The dredging of contaminated sludge off the point at Yurulbin Point involves risking an environmental disaster as the surrounding areas of the harbour could be contaminated putting both the marine life e.g. the local sea horses, and the local residences at risk of contamination with unknown consequences. Particular risk exists as the local swimming pool, Dawn Fraser Bath, is in close proximity as is the Greenwich Baths on the northern side of the harbour.

The proposed toxic spoil treatment facility at White Bay is major concern to all residents of the area.

The proposed compulsory acquisition of land under our homes along the tunnel route without compensation is a major concern as I don't really know what that means and what the consequences will be.

Lastly, I am concerned that management of the tunnel project will be put in the hands of a corporation independent of the government which will not be held to account or answerable to public concerns.