

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

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I object to the beaches link & gore hill freeway extension because of the following reasons:

- We do not need more roads built in Sydney, we just need better public transport which will reduce traffic, traffic jams and reduce traffic pollution.
- We need our green areas preserved for the sake of the animals and plant life and to keep the waterways pollution free but also everyone knows that the green spaces help keep the air clean
- We do not need pollution from the smoke stacks for these tunnels polluting our local air or the 3 schools full of our precious children in the very near vicinity
- Manly Dam and surrounding bush land areas with their animals, plants and streams etc and even the golf course full of wildlife and green areas need to be preserved
- Plenty of bush land has already been destroyed building the new hospital. Many didn't want that hospital either. Renovating Manly and Mona Vale hospitals would have been much better.
- We live in the Northern Beaches because of its natural beauty and because it is not too densely populated. We like having our parks and nature so close by to enjoy. We appreciate the nature.
- We do not want our area to become full of apartment buildings and overpopulation and busier roads so we do not want a tunnel making our area more accessible.
- We don't need the extra people or apartments. We like our houses and backyards where our kids can grow up enjoying having backyards to play in and enjoy the surrounding nature where we can bush walk and explore and appreciate the beauty and not live in air polluted by expressway tunnels.
- We do not need our local roads changed with increased traffic to make way for a tunnel no one wants and we don't need the disruption and destruction of our area for the years and years it will take to build.

We are all advocating for reducing waste, reducing landfill, reducing pollution, leaving our natural forests alone and increasing our green areas to help protect the earth from climate change.

Have you not watched the David Attenborough Mission Statement ?????  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=64R2MYUt394>

Can you not see how much of our precious planet we have already destroyed ?? A wallaby recently had to be saved from Sydney Harbour because of all the deforestation and destruction the government is doing to the Northern Beaches forested area.

The Dutch people recently sued their own government because they felt their government wasn't doing the right thing by the environment. Dutch court orders government to slash greenhouse gas emissions by at least 25 per cent by 2020 - ABC News

**WE DON'T WANT THE TUNNEL. WE WANT OUR NATURAL AREAS LEFT ALONE FOR OUR CHILDREN TO ENJOY AND TO PROTECT THE PLANET FROM CLIMATE CHANGE. WE DON'T NEED MORE ROADS, WE NEED BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT. WE DON'T WANT TO BE POLLUTED AND OVER POPULATED AND MOST OF ALL WE DO NOT WANT OUR NATURAL FOREST AREAS WITH ALL IT'S BEAUTIFUL PLANTS AND ANIMALS DESTROYED !!!!!**