

Submission  
No 272

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

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Attn: **Parliamentary Inquiry on Beaches Link Tunnel**

16/06/2021

Re: **The Beaches Link Tunnel**

I object to the Beaches Link tunnel. I object to the following aspects and the impact they will have on the community:

- **I object to exhaust stacks nearby homes and schools**
  - *They are within 100m of people's homes in the current design.*
  - *They pose an imminent and immediate threat to anyone with an existing breathing disorder*
  - *They pose an extreme threat to the small children who, by nature of their rapid metabolism and constant growth, need to take in oxygen at an increased rate over an adult.*
  - *They reduce the value of what is prime real estate in one of Sydney's most sought-after areas.*
- **I object to exhaust stacks that are not designed using world's best practice**
  - *RMS say filtration isn't cost effective, and I object to the basis upon which this decision was made as unsubstantiated and unsupportable in terms of world's best practise. Filtration is used in countries where the potential risk to their population is just too great, why are we happy to take this risk.*
  - *With the complete list of financial stupidity our governments are prepared to support and foster, why is it not cost effective to look after the constituents health?*
- **I object to the link road on Balgowlah Golf Course**
  - *It is not OK to take our green space, not now, not ever and there is NO justifiable reason that would alter this consideration.*
- **I object to the destruction and diversion of Burnt Bridge Creek, including its surrounding trees and habitat for animals**
  - *Why is it necessary to explain this statement?*
  - *Australia is not a third world country, we do not destroy habitat to make short term gains for ourselves, we must be better than this.*
- **I object to increased pollution from more traffic on local roads accessing the tunnel**
  - *I do not support the creation of increased pollution in my area, or any other area for that matter.*
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- **I object to our local streets being used as rat-runs for traffic**
  - *Some streets could become rat-runs for traffic trying to access the tunnel, other streets for traffic trying to avoid the toll.*
  - *Will traffic be using your street as a rat-run?*
- **I object to construction for 5-7 years near people's homes**
  - *What impact will the construction have? RMS tell us there will be diggers, rock crushing and truck movements weekdays and Saturday mornings.*
  - *Will we be affected by the dust generated?*
- **I object to the truck movements that will be added to our local roads during construction**
  - *What will this do to peak hour traffic?*
  - *What about the condition of our local roads?*
- **I propose government provides public transport instead of a vehicle tunnel**

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