

Submission
No 299

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

Name: Name suppressed

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Dear Committee Members

I wish to object to the proposed Western Harbour Tunnel (including the Warringah Freeway Upgrade) and Beaches Link (including the Gore Hill extension) projects

I object to :

- * the release of toxic dredge material into Middle Harbor and these resulting impacts on aquatic and marine fauna.
- * the release of concentrated 2.5 microns and smaller sized particles from smokestacks over the suburbs
- * the unacceptable loss of water from Burnt Creek
- * the unacceptable loss of acres of bushland and loss of mature trees in the Manly Dam catchment
- * the unacceptable loss of acres of bushland and loss of mature trees around Flat Rock drive (I have been watching these trees slowly mature for the last 41 years)
- * the unacceptable destruction of eastern pygmy possum habitat in the Manly Dam catchment
- * the unacceptable destruction of threatened mint bush habitat in the Manly Dam catchment
- * the unacceptable destruction of threatened Powerful Owl habitat around Flat Rock Drive

The NSW State Government keeps stating that it is committed to the environment. They should demonstrate their commitment to the environment by abandoning this project.

Yours sincerely