

**Submission
No 419**

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

Name: Mr James Bernes

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Dear Committee members

As a local Northbridge resident for over 20 years, we are deeply concerned about the environmental impact of the proposed tunnelling dive site on Flat Rock Drive.

Our main concerns are:

the impact of trucks entering / exiting the dive site and idling on this suburban road 24/7 for 5 years and the inevitable congestion, noise and pollution to local families especially during peak hours

same trucks exiting Willoughby freeway and diverting through Miller Street Cammeray / Strathallen Street Northbridge causing unimaginable gridlock in these suburbs

destruction of local bushland and walking tracks used by many residents to exercise, walk dogs, access to Willoughby Leisure Centre / Tunks Park

disturbance of potentially toxic materials from excavation of a sealed tip site

airborne pollutants / residues from continuous boring leaking into the breathable air of local residents

no undertakings to remediate the site damage and restore amenity to residents

no compensation to residents required to endure the disruption to their daily lives during the construction period.