

Submission  
No 444

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

**Name:** Name suppressed

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I strongly object to this project primarily under 'Terms of Reference "j"' being the impact on the environment.

I have been a resident in North Balgowlah for over 50 years. I moved to this suburb because of its bushland and saw it as the perfect environment for raising my children. I now walk everyday on both the Burnt Bridge Creek walk and the outer edges of the Manly Dam cycle/walkway.

The destruction of the local environment including:

- The removal of around 3000 trees
- The destruction of Burnt Bridge Creek and its surrounds, home to native flora and fauna including protected and rare species
- The disturbance of wildlife and humans in the 7 or more year construction period.
- The impact on residents and wildlife in terms of noise, dust, lights, run off, heavy vehicle movement, pollution, tree removal and habitat destruction.

This project, both in the construction phase and in operation, will severely change this area from the bushy, life filled, environmentally diverse area it currently is. This cost of this level of destruction cannot be justified and will be of no benefit to me, my family, or many of the local residents.

As a long term resident I strongly object to this proposal and do not want it to proceed.