INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE ROZELLE INTERCHANGE

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I would like to convey my extreme frustration, disappointment & helplessness about the debacle that is the peak hour commute through the new Rozelle interchange. I reside in Drummoyne & my morning come into my office on Sussex St in the city involves dropping my daughter at the daycare in Abbotsford followed by a drive into work. My usual commute from the daycare to work on a busy day prior to the Rozelle interchange opening was 30-35mins. Of 3 years of doing this exact commute never have I spent longer than 35mins on the road. Last Tuesday I left my home in Drummoyne around 7:35am to drop my daughter. I was done with the drop off by 7:50 & made my way to work. Knowing this commute well enough, I left enough time to be in the office for an important meeting at 9am. Unfortunately I had misjudged the ridiculousness of the traffic lights (which by the way have been altered post Rozelle interchange opening) on Victoria rd. All of Victoria rd including the Rozelle interchange tunnel was a car park. It took me 1hour 40mins to get into the office missing one of the most important meetings for this quarter! I'll get to the monetary impact that missing the meeting had another time but i do want to mention that for one of my colleagues who commutes from Bateau Bay in central coast, the commute time that morning was 1hour 15mins. If this doesn't show how badly the planning & implementation of the Rozelle interchange has been messed up, I don't know what will. Commuting in all of last & this week, my best commute time was 45mins! It used to be 13mins! After spending \$4.6bn dollars leading to this sort of a mess, transport for NSW have proved that there are some very incompetent people working there that need to be let go immediately. And as a tax payer I demand that an explanation is made public as to how this happened? I, also demand that a plan to address this issue is made public ASAP so us tax payers who spent a considerable amount of money in house prices to be living this close to the city can get the benefits that we paid for! Thank you