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I am a resident of Menai who for the past 15 years has used the M5 and Heathcote Rd to travel to and from work.

I find it inconceivable that any government, albeit State or Federal, would consider building an intermodal directly adjacent to a suburban residential area, especially when there are other areas available in open spaces not impacting on residents.

Heathcote Rd for a greater part of it is single lane and in some parts quite narrow. When an accident occurs on this road, in most cases the road is completely blocked, as I have discovered from experience. Trucks travelling up from Deadman's Creek often slow down to 20-30kms/hr due to the gradient and load weight of the vehicle. This in peak hour causes a considerable bank up of traffic. Traffic also backs up at the round- a-bout at Holsworthy in peak hour. There is also a school crossing at Holsworthy which slows traffic to 40kms/hr during school days in the morning and afternoon. If The Bangor Bypass is used and New Illawarra Rd, then peak hour traffic, residential areas and narrow roads are also of major concern.

The M5 is not much better in the morning and afternoon peak hour traffic. The M5 is basically a parking bay in peak hour, depending on which way you are travelling and often is banked up to Liverpool. To get to where the Intermodal is planned to be situated, the trucks will have to travel through residential areas where the roads are not designed for large B-Doubles or container trucks.

The residents will be subject to 24 hour noise, pollution and vermin if the proposed intermodal is constructed next to a residential area. This will not only reduce the value of the homes but also make their current peaceful life intolerable.

With the new airport to be built at Badgerys Creek, this would be the most logical place to position this infrastructure. Not a residential area.

I can only assume the reason for the choice is from a financial perspective, and not for the concern of residents living near or along the proposed transport route. It is not a practical solution.

Those politicians and public servants that are in favour of the proposal need to visit the area and publically put their name to any submission.

DON'T BUILD IT AT WATTLE GROVE.

Regards

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