Submission Cover Sheet

West Gate Tunnel Project IAC

Sub no:

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Request to be heard?: No,

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Attachment: Comments:

I am against this Western Distributor proposal. - I have concerns about the poor outcome to local traffic volumes in my area, especially increased traffic to Millers Rd, Melbourne Rd and Douglas Pde/ Hyde St.-the loss of a the salt marsh area known as the Stony Creek Backwash with no apparent replanting schedule of like for like. It is an incredibly significant, yet slow growing plant community and fragile. It will be drastically affected by building and long term shading from the proposed works.- Potential disturbance/loss of 2 aboriginal cultural heritage sites near the Kororoit creek works and no plans to avoid this area.- loss of parkland and community open space in Hobsons bay. Replacements listed as Public Open Spaces are poor quality and have ill defined landscape treatments and costs borne to the local councils to manage. The new 3ha site near Precint 15 to contain a massive 50m vent tunnel dominating the site and spouting out unhealthy fumes: and worse is the 1.4 ha park on rehabilitated railway land on the Moonee Ponds creek. This site is severely land locked by the roadworks and located underneath overshadowing offramps and roads. Once again the Moonee Ponds Creek is coming a poor second to freeway works. I feel the volume of traffic listed in this report for a growing Melbourne would lead to urgent works on new public transport infrastructure. This proposed project is a re issue of "1969 Melbourne Transportation Plan" and will never achieve 2 of the stated objectives of "improved amenity in the inner west" or improving the missmatch between land use and transport.

