

# HILLSIDE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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The Chair

Review of the F3 to M7 Corridor Selection

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## Hillside Progress Association – Submission to F3 to M7 Review

Hillside Progress Association is made up of members living in the locality of Hillside, in the suburb of Glenorie, NSW. Hillside is close to the routes considered for the type "C" corridor in the original F3 to M7 Study. Members discussed the call for public submissions to the review at their meeting of 2 April 2007.

In general, members felt that the project did not look far enough ahead, and should have given more weight to the wider economic and social benefits of a type "C" corridor. Members felt that while a type "A" corridor alone may help to relieve congestion on Pennant Hills Rd, it was not the best way to spend national road funds, as it would not improve northern access to and from Sydney.

In terms of the basic assumptions leading to the recommendation of a type "A" corridor alone, members asked:

- Why widening Pennant Hills Rd was not evaluated;
- Why construction near built-up areas, national parks, and wilderness areas, was to be by way of expensive tunnels rather than surface roads;
- Why it was assumed that Sydney's expansion would continue to be restricted by urban consolidation.

Accordingly, the Associations asks that the following additional points be incorporated into the review:

1. The costs and benefits of widening Pennant Hills Rd and grade separating key intersections;
2. Figures that clearly show the difference in cost between tunnelling and surface road construction;
3. Another cost/benefit analysis based on the city spreading into areas serviced by a type "C" option, taking into account the wider economic and social benefits.

Yours sincerely,



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