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INQUIRY INTO WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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Thank you for committing to investigating this government sanctioned destruction of our heritage but I beg of you please use your influence to halt this while conducting your inquiry, allowing continued work at this site will mean that any findings that you make will be as redundant as the proposed bridge, a waste of your time and taxpayer funds and will result in irreversible destruction of our irreplaceable history.

Australians travel overseas to see such sites, lovingly and proudly preserved for centuries, surely our own history deserves such respect and protection.

Below are my reasons for opposing the proposed bridge replacement at Windsor I have deliberately kept them as succinct as possible :

- 1) Despite the increase in population and traffic flow there will be no improvement in either traffic volume or time , this is borne out in the RMS own EIS.
- 2) The traffic flow at present already exceeds that postulated by the RMS for 2026 so the proposed bridge replacement is already redundant. A bypass is needed now and would also provide for the future.
- 3) The proposed bridge will not provide any real increase in relief or access in case of flood due to minimal increase in height above the existing bridge and will still finish at the same level of road on the Wilberforce Road which is generally the earliest affected from flooding due to its low lying position.
- 4) Windsor benefits from the remains of our early history both European & Aboriginal , this bridge will obliterate them there is NO effective or seemingly professional archaeological work being done, rare objects (as have been seen by witnesses) are being wilfully destroyed by the excavator there is no care being taken to protect or preserve the finds on the site which clearly contravenes any professional standards.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Colleen Turnbull