

## Rail Commuter Submission

1. The technical difficulty currently being experienced on the IPART website looks like a typical State Rail stuff –up.
2. What idiot in State Rail thinks that Peak Hour commuters are going to vote for a peak premium charge, as reported in the Tuesday June 10 MX magazine!!!! So why would you want to receive comments on this. No wonder State Rail is 20 years behind in its planning.
3. By all means create incentives for off-peak travelers by offering discounted fares.
4. The government has been trying to get people to use Public Transport for the past 10years or so but as soon as people do, the system cannot even get close to handling the numbers let alone having any ability to grow. State Rail has absolutely no chance of reducing the pressure on the roadways in Sydney in 5 yrs, let alone 10 years, because there is absolutely no long term thinking, planning or budgeting going on. Give the politicians hell. Because the commuters need you to get off your backsides instead of trying to protect them.
5. Ensure that all trains are 8-car trains during peak hour and around peak hour. Also plan 8-car trains for every major event night / weekend /public holiday.
6. Improve car parking facilities and security next to stations. Think 20 years ahead for this. 40 years ago I was at school and no much has really changed since then except that everything has got more crowded. Whilst the Cronulla line will be duplicated, improving movement up and down the Sutherland – Cronulla section, the main constraint is still Sutherland to Hurstville. Without that section being duplicated, Cronulla people will still be running to an almost identical timetable to that of 40 years ago. So what progress will have been achieved????
7. Invest in Sydney's future now.

While we are on transport.

1. Build a 6 lane roadway from Taren Point bridge to Sutherland, directly through the Shire, to get the traffic out of Sydney.
2. Tell the Shire Council to stop its pathetic light rail / roadway study and push for a major highway link.

China is out there investing in infrastructure. **They are building a nation!** What are we doing? Australia is in fulltime political point-scoring and bickering mode, destroying itself. We are going backwards.

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