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**RE: DA2021/1164 - 521 Barrenjoey Road BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107**

I wish to lodge an objection to the DA relating to planning permission for a dwelling at 521 Barrenjoey Road. I am alarmed at the likely blockages to traffic on the Bilgola Bends which would not only impede access to Avalon, Whale Beach, Clareville and Palm Beach over an extended period of time, but would result in catastrophe if there were to be a bushfire outbreak or other emergency situation. Having experienced the delays caused in the early 2000s when landslip caused the L90 to be diverted along the Serpentine, I know how bad this would be. This does not even take into account the traffic hazards involved with entrance and exits to and from this structure, not only during construction, but afterwards.

The obvious danger of working with heavy equipment above the road on such a steep slope is very worrying. A torrent of rain (we are the second most rained upon suburb in Sydney), landslip, and consequent toppling equipment is a potential nightmare, and could cause severe impact to neighbouring properties, including the houses above, let alone devastating damage to vehicles and their occupants passing on the road below.

Having chosen to live in Avalon for its natural beauty such as the endangered Angophora trees, remnant rainforest area, green spaces, beautiful waterways and beaches, and much local wildlife, I am appalled that some 28 trees would be removed, some on public land. The detrimental effect on air quality and resident wildfire would be immense. And as the maximum building height in Bilgola is 8.5 metres with a 2 storey limit, how can this DA even be considered?

Thank you for your attention. Jean-Pierre Paul