

Letterhead of The Conservancy Association

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The Conservancy Association's Response to the Proposed Route 10

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The Conservancy Association is concerned about the proposed Route 10 would threaten the principle of sustainability and our beautiful shoreline along northeast Lantau

In particular, we object to the Chok Ko Wan Link section of Route. This section, as in its current form will seriously damage the shoreline of Lantau but will only serve Disney Park. We reckon that this section can be deleted and there is better alternative route to serve Disney Park. **We propose to replace the Pa Tau Kwu Section of Chok Ko Wan Link Road and the part of Route 10 south of Ng Kwu Leng by a link from route 10 to North Lantau Highway.**

After examining the consultants' study reports on the proposed Route 10, we found that the consultants have not considered linking the Route 10 with North Lantau Highway as an option. The proposed option would therefore require travelers from the North New Territories destined for the Airport to detour round the Disney Land before joining the North Lantau Highway.

One of the consultants considered linking Route 10 with the future P1 road. However, the link did not extend beyond the study boundary. The drawing for the whole of this link from Route 10 to future P1 is therefore not available. There was no reason offered in neither study reports for ruling this link option out.

Our Proposal

1. Route 10 should be truncated at Ng Kwu Leng. The toll plaza should be built right after the Tsing Lung Bridge landed on Ng Kwu Leng;
2. After exit of the toll plaza, the new road link should be build linking to the North Lantau Highway (joining before Yam O).

We reckon that our proposal have the following benefits.

1. It will save the beautiful, may be geological significant, landscape of the Lantau North near Penny Bay;
2. It provides the flexibility of future extension of Route 10 should government decides eventually to go ahead with it;
3. It provides a much direct link for travelers from the North NT to the airport while it does not lower the service provided to the Disney Park development;
4. It saves billions of dollars of the public money.