A photograph of a man standing on a paved waterfront promenade. He is wearing a grey t-shirt, dark shorts, a dark cap, and sandals. He is looking down at something in his hands. The promenade has several concrete benches and a metal railing overlooking the water. In the background, there is a dense city skyline with many skyscrapers and construction cranes. The sky is clear and blue.

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Traffic, Congestion and Air Quality  
Central Waterfront

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Save Our Shorelines

# What Hong Kong Deserves

- Good urban planning and design.
- Showcase natural surroundings.
- Quality waterfront experience.
- Right mix of economic activities and healthy environment.



# What's wrong today

- Outdated planning process and priorities.
- Compromised Hong Kong's natural assets.
- Poor waterfront experience.
- Extremely bad roadside air and noise.

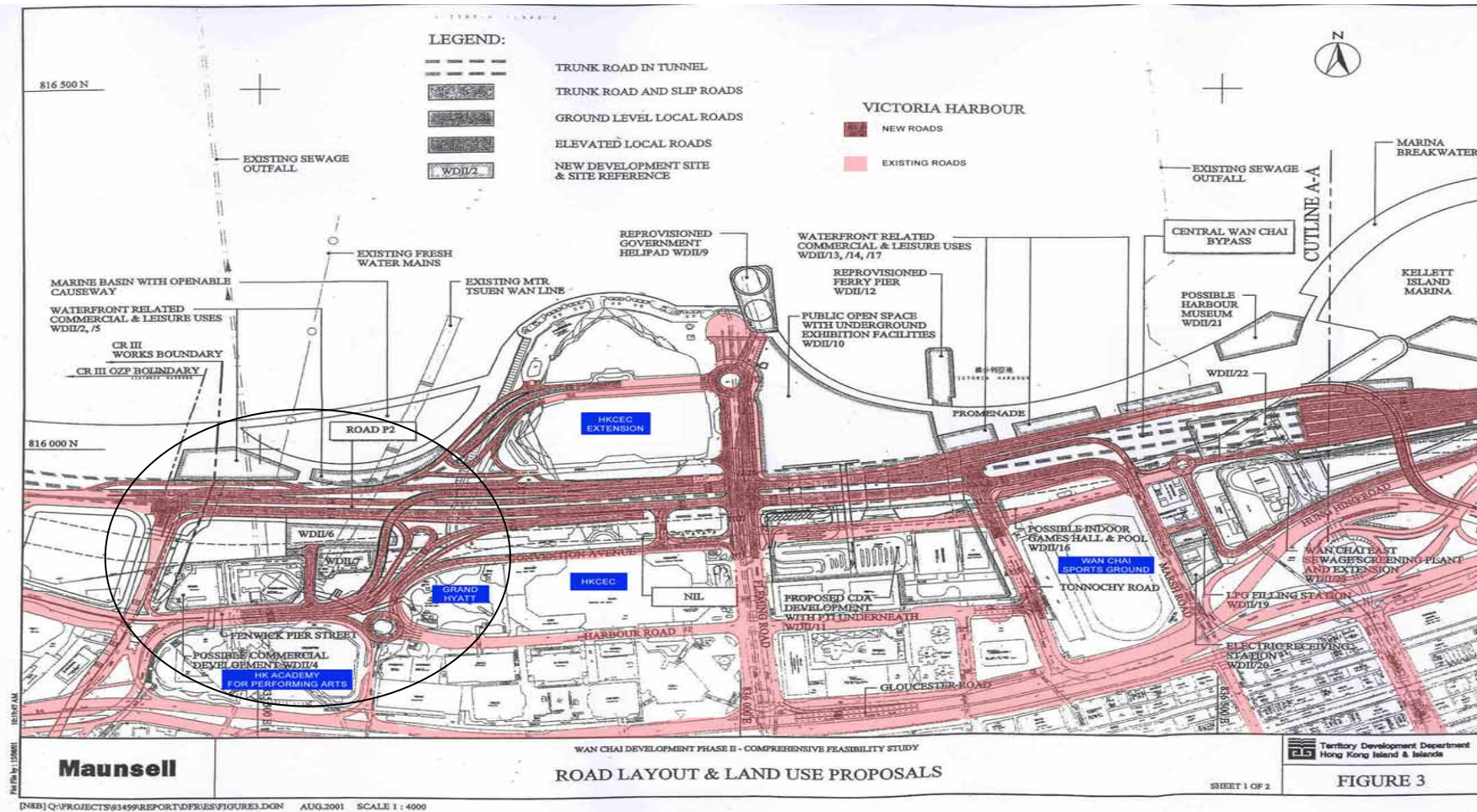


**Waterfront at IFC**



# Revise planning priorities (II)

[Extremely poor conditions near Tamar]



# Poor shoreline pedestrian experience



**Bauhinia Square**

- Hong Kong's "best" is still sub-optimal.
- Reason is priority given to highways and roads.
- Improvements require re-setting priorities and reducing densities.

Worse is yet to come in Central  
[pedestrians are to give way  
to vehicles altogether]



Hong Kong's unique counter-World City planning solution

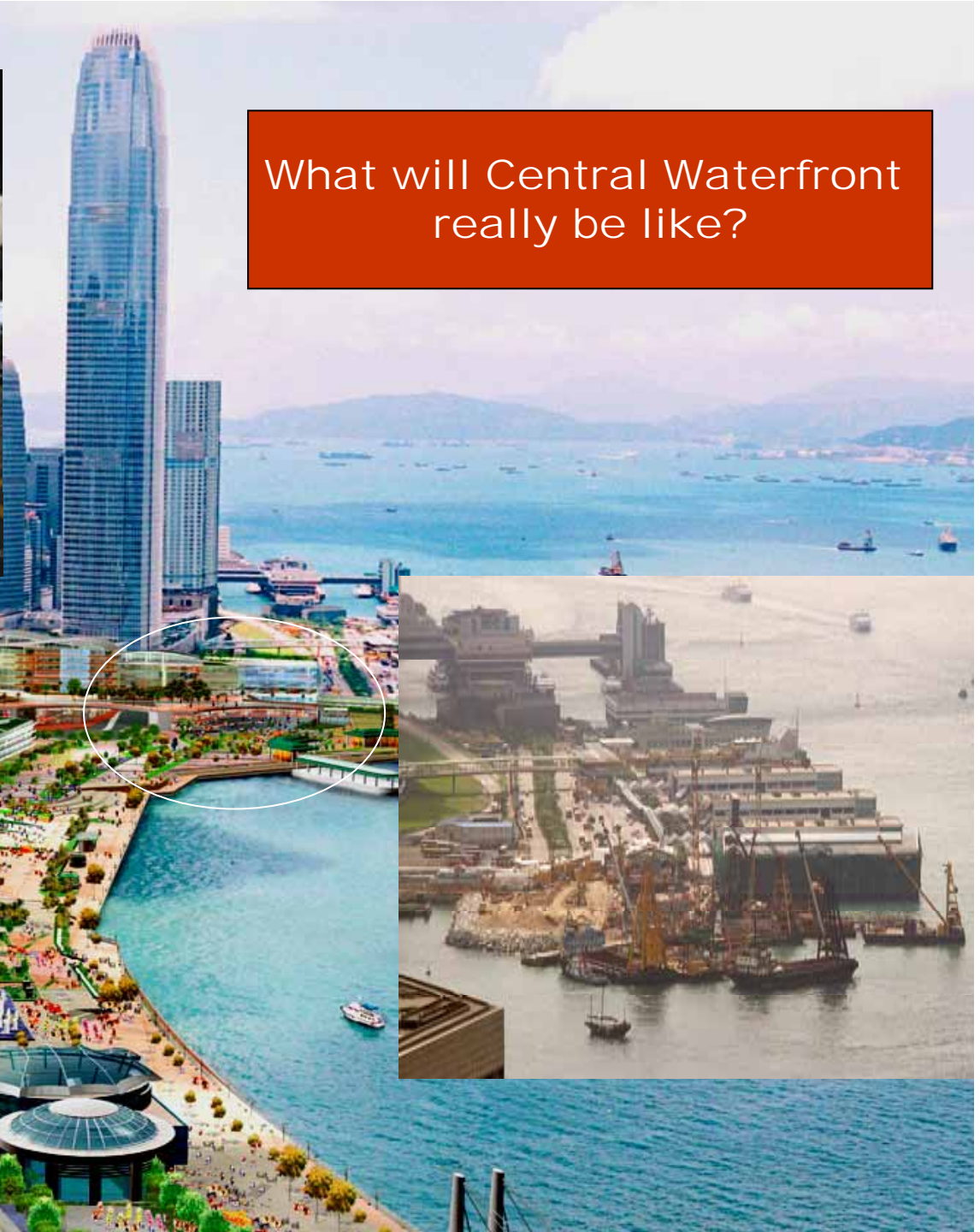
# Even worse air quality by design



- Highway P2 will have 6-lanes and more in some places for slip roads.
- Canyon effect will be made worse by tunnel-effect trap near “groundscraper”.



What will Central Waterfront really be like?



# Urgent Review Needed

- Assess Tamar in context of Central waterfront – not alone.
- Press for review of COZP.
- Demand new EIA on air quality.
- Be sure Hong Kong gets a world class waterfront.

