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藍田隧道填海破壞海岸線 專體痛斥政府忽略保育

【本報訊】政府計劃斥資五十九億元興建將軍澳——藍田隧道，最快十月向立法會要求撥款近二億元進行勘測及初步設計研究。有環保團體聲稱一年前已反對工程，更批評政府對地質保育認識不足，胡亂填海令到本港天然海岸線買少見少。

香港地貌岩石保育協會一年前已表態反對填海。該會關注發展項目小組召集人鄒子憲昨日在一個地質保育研討會表示，將軍澳——藍田隧道工程涉及在將軍澳填平八百米海岸線，興建收費廣場、通風大樓、行政大樓等隧道入口設施。

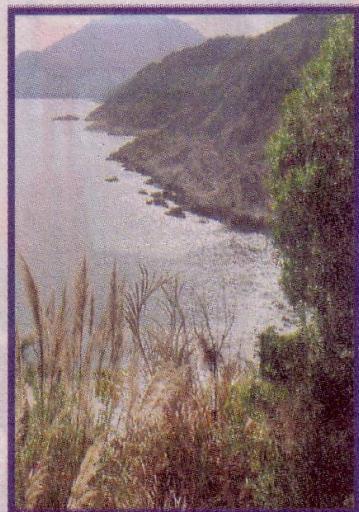
建議外移數十米

他表示，擬填海的地方是由火山岩岩石形成的海岸線，景色優美，希望予以保留，並再次促請政府考慮將填海區向外移數十米，保留海岸線，而填海地段與原有海岸線之間的地方可發展為人工湖。

他說，不少地質遺址有數以億年歷史，一旦遭受破壞就無法挽救，他批評現時政府的環境評估報告只考慮生態影響及考古價值等因素，忽略了地質保育一環。

西貢區議員何民傑認為隧道有助紓緩區內交通擠塞，可以接受有限度的填海；但他同時促請政府活化隧道附近的海岸環境，包括考慮興建單車徑及海岸公園。

將軍澳隧道管道部分全長約三公里，最快二〇一二年底興建，二〇一六年完成。工程會令油塘、藍田及將軍澳一帶廿九個屋苑，及十七間學校和其他發展區，受到噪音和空氣質素影響。



○ 將軍澳天然海岸線景色優美。（資料圖片）

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Tunnel project will damage pristine shore

The proposed project, the Tseung Kwan O-Lam Tin tunnel and cross bay link, will affect an 800-metre-long stretch of natural shoreline, comprising beaches, sea cliffs and a wave-cut platform.

Much of the original natural shoreline in the city area, including around Tseung Kwan O, has been reclaimed. Any remaining shoreline should therefore be considered a valuable asset.

The Association for Geoconservation raised its concerns with the Civil Engineering and Development Department in July 2007 and had a meeting with the department the following month. In principle, the association supports the idea of building a tunnel and a highway link so that the congestion problem of Tseung Kwan O can be relieved. However, we object to extensive reclamation along the natural shoreline.

We strongly urge the government to reconsider the alignment of the toll plaza and interchange near Tiu Keng Leng in the preliminary design.

Specifically, we suggest that the reclamation area should be separated from the shoreline.

Our proposed design has three advantages:

- It retains the stretch of natural shoreline;
- There will be a lagoon that greatly enhances the scenic value of local landscape; and
- The reclamation area has the potential to become an urban fringe park linking the proposed cycle track facilities.

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