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Attn. R.H. Mark harper. Sec. of State for Transport . Lower Thames crossing  
Dear Sir. I doubt you will ever read this but these are desperate times for for the S.E  
of England and the continued bottleneck plus the pollution caused by regular tailbacks  
of traffic as far as the Swanley turnoff is a national disgrace.

Even Highways England state that this new crossing is desperately needed . That  
was said in 2015 !!. Nothing happened . The empty petrol tankers which have to go  
through the west bore tunnel are a major cause of hold ups. .They could have been put  
on a Ro-Ro ferry from Dartford to Purfleet years ago but this was dismissed as -too  
expensive!. I doubt anyone ever bothered to look into it in the first place-Laziness  
prevails.

Now , after another God knows how many 'consultations'- Time wasting!. The final  
proposal is for you to make a decision by the end of June. It had better be to go ahead  
straight away because people throughout Kent and Essex are sick to death of  
Government delay.

How can you waste £8 million on just paper work ?? 66 miles of paper end to end.  
That's Dover to Greenwich.

IN 2011 ,THE LOWER THAMES TUNNEL WAS NAMED A 'PRIORITY  
INFRASTRUCTURE' It's 2024 and not a single shovel has hit the ground. 13 years  
wasted in delay and obfuscation by Government Departments.

Ther's an election coming and the Tory chance of winning is pretty well non existent.  
It will be even worse if you delay any longer. >

The tunnels are 60 years old and starting to show signs of their age. If anything  
dramatic happened to those tunnels or even one of them , the whole of the S.E would be  
Brought to a standstill.

Sincerely. John baker

MS I NOTE THAT THIS DREADEFUL GOVERNMENT  
HAVE ALREADY STATED THAT ANY GO-AHEAD  
WILL HAVE A 2 YEAR DELAY.