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'Build a new Tube line to cope with HS2 crowds'



Demand: Boris Johnson wants the Government to fund a new Tube line if he is to back fully the high-speed rail project

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BORIS JOHNSON will demand the Government funds a new Tube line if he is to back fully the high-speed rail project.

The Mayor today risked a row with ministers over the £32billion link, saying he was "far from happy" with current plans.

The HS2 scheme got the go-ahead last week after protesters were promised extra tunnelling for the line in Ruislip. From 2026, trains doing 225mph will slash London-to-Birmingham trips to 49 minutes.

Mr Johnson, who says he will press for funding for a new north-south Crossrail line, said: "You cannot possibly go ahead with HS2 unless you have a plan for alleviating the massive congestion at Euston and that means another Tube line."

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