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Sent: Sunday, 22 June 2008 3:43 PM  
To: ECQ User  
Subject: Objection to New Electorate Proposal

To whom it may concern:

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced in the redistribution of electorates. Clermont as part of the former Belyando Shire and current Isaac Regional Council will no longer be a part of the newly created Macrossan electorate. However the surrounding communities of Moranbah, Belyando Crossing and Kilcummin will remain within the Macrossan electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two major centres alongside Moranbah within the former Belyando Shire. Both communities remain within the one shire and local government administration and resources are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional commonalities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grain and beef industries.

While it is understood that the numerical requirement is the most important factor when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new mines. While mine management currently utilise fly in fly out methods to attract and retain employees, they are of the opinion that this is not ideal and are currently making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop extra land for additional housing.

The Isaac Regional Council is against the reliance and the development of single person quarters within the shire boundary, and so it is expected that the population will exceed all predictions. Council is also working hard to develop additional land for the provision of service industries and other low income workers necessary for the expansion of both towns.

The Charters Towers electorate has for many years had an electorate office in Clermont and the removal of Clermont from the electorate will result in a service loss to the town, and an employee of the state no longer with a position. The office in Clermont services the entire southern part of the electorate from Aramac and Muttaburra through to Moranbah. The Moranbah residents will no longer have access to an electorate office as the closest one will be in Charters Towers, more than five hours travel away while the Clermont residents will have to travel to Emerald to approach their local member.

Kilcummin and the Belyando Crossing are physically closer to Clermont and residents within these communities traditionally use the services available within Clermont. The strongest link they have to a town is to Clermont. Removing Clermont from the electorate will further isolate the residents as their closest electorate office will be in Charters Towers.

I would therefore respectfully request that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to accommodate the retention of Clermont within the electorate of Charters Towers (to be known as Macrossan) so that we can continue to be serviced by the electorate office within the town and remain with the other towns that we share commonalities with.

Yours sincerely

K. Armstrong
From: roni-3@bigpond.com [mailto:roni-3@bigpond.com]
Sent: Friday, 20 June 2008 4:43 PM
To: ECQ User
Subject: Electoral Boundaries Mirani Electorate

Prelude to Submission

I wish to provide a submission to the Commissioner on the proposed electoral boundaries of the proposed Mirani Electorate.

The proposed Mirani Electorate extension south of the Capricorn Highway has little community or social, regional or economic interest with the existing electorate. This area is more relevant to Rockhampton where the residents access media, socialise and receive support from relevant government agencies. They also rely on Rockhampton for the majority of their essential supplies.

I believe the commission has underestimated the growth potential in the northern part of the Mirani Electorate, ie Walkerston, Sarina, Marion and Mirani. The growth is based on coal production which has escalated since about 2006, as the commission would be aware of from news reports of the many coal ships awaiting loading at Dalrymple Bay.

This sudden and more recent development has meant that the growth figures are not showing up in population and housing reports that the commission has to rely on for projections.

Submission on Boundaries

1. Increase in developments in Mirani, Marian, Walkerston and Sarina above state average;

2. This increase has not been identified in official figures as it takes at least 12 to 18 months to get a DA through all the processes;

3. Developments are being driven by the coal boom and the Mackay area has benefited by the secondary industry of rebuilding and supply of mining equipment housed in the large and expanding industrial area outside of Mackay; The so called "Boon 2" is now taking off with the "spot cargo" price of cokeing coal tripling in the last six months;

4. The bank of available land for further development is in the Marian, Mirani, Sarina and Walkerston areas and in light of recent floods in Mackay potential home owners are looking carefully at future residential locations;

5. Land in the before mentioned area is more affordable as the initial purchase is less costly than that closer to town;

6. I believe this is only the beginning of the potential development as many more major businesses and projects move into the area all looking for workers;
7. A factor that is emerging is that the higher cost of fuel is encouraging many to want to live close to where they work and this will only escalate as fuel prices increase.

Conclusion

There is no doubt that Central Queensland and Mackay in particular is in the grip of a huge and growing commodity boom and is limited only by companies' ability to source qualified personnel and house them.

Large numbers of employees are "fly-in fly-out" but given the option would rather settle in the region with their families.

I believe that the region in the northern part of Mirani Electorate will continue to experience housing growth well beyond state average for the next ten years.

Yours sincerely
Veronica Boyle
Sarina Beach
20 June 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
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Dear Sir/Madam

The Commission delivered its report titled "Queensland Redistribution Commission Proposed Queensland Electoral Districts – Reasons, Descriptions and Maps" on Friday 23 May 2008 proposing major changes to Queensland’s state electorates. The proposed changes would mean that the seat of Cunningham would be split three ways – to the existing seats of Southern Downs and Toowoomba South, and to the proposed new seat of Dalby.

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed changes as I believe retention of the electorate of Cunningham complied well with the criteria set down for the consideration of the Commission.

History

The electorate of Cunningham was established under the Electoral Districts Act of 1887 and has existed continuously since that time. It was named in honour of the explorer Allan Cunningham who discovered and named the Darling Downs in 1827.

The electorate's boundaries have changed quite significantly at various redistributions throughout that period. It has included areas as far north as the northern boundary of the former Rosalie Shire, as far west as the western boundary of the Jondaryan Shire, and as far south as the Queensland border. The eastern boundary has largely remained along the Great Dividing Range.

The Quota

For the purposes of this redistribution the Commission has used a quota of 29,560. The number of electors enrolled in each proposed district (excluding those districts exceeding 100,000 km²) is to be no more than 10% above or below quota.
The number of electors in Cunningham has grown consistently with the state-wide growth in quota since the 2001 election, the first election conducted on the current boundaries, and remains well within the 10% deviation. Current enrolments in Cunningham place it at 5.01% below quota. Of the electorates in the region, only the electorate of Southern Downs is closer to the quota with an enrolment 1.53% below quota.

In the Commission’s redistribution report enrolments for the electorate of Cunningham were predicted to be 6.88% below the State average in December 2014. This figure recognises the projected growth of area and is still well within the allowed margin of tolerance of 10%. The electorates of Southern Downs and Toowoomba South were also predicted to be within the margin of tolerance in 2014.

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(Figures provided by the Queensland Parliamentary Library)

Other Criteria

(a) the extent to which there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interests within each proposed electoral district;

The existing boundaries of Cunningham reflect a strong community of interest. It includes the former shires of Cambooya, Clifton, Pittsworth and Millmerran, and the southern suburbs of the former Toowoomba City Council. All of these are now included in the Toowoomba Regional Council. It also includes part of the former Warwick Shire Council now included in the Southern Downs Regional Council.
In the submissions lodged with the Local Government Reform Commission in 2007, a joint submission was lodged by the Cambooya, Pittsworth, and Millmerran Shire Councils proposing that if amalgamation had to occur the best outcome would be the amalgamation of those three Shires and supporting the inclusion of the Clifton Shire. The Clifton Shire Council submission proposed a similar outcome. This is recognition of the very strong community of interest in all ways of the area covered by those Local Government Areas.

Similarly Toowoomba City is the natural economic, social, regional and educational centre for residents of the Cunningham Electorate.

There is an argument that the area covered by the former Warwick Shire Council has a stronger community of interest with the new Southern Downs Regional Council and should be transferred to the electorate of Southern Downs.

The Commission's proposal to include the former Millmerran Shire Council in the Southern Downs Electorate does not reflect the natural ties that area has to Pittsworth and Toowoomba. For example, students who attend Millmerran State School to Year 10 usually progress to complete their schooling at Pittsworth State High School. The common linkage to the east is the Gore Highway between the former Millmerran, Pittsworth, and Cambooya Shires and Toowoomba.

The existing northern boundary of the Cunningham electorate should be re-aligned as it followed the former Jondaryan Shire boundary and split a number of small communities in half. The Toowoomba-Cecil Plains Road would make a logical boundary.

Likewise the boundary of the proposed seat of Dalby splits the community of Bell. If the seat remains as proposed, this boundary should be re-aligned so the whole town is contained in one electorate.

Local Government Areas created following the recent local government reforms are supposed to reflect communities of interest. The suggestions I have made for changes to the Cunningham electorate would see it wholly contained within the Toowoomba Regional Council area.

(b) the ways of communication and travel within each proposed electoral district;

The existing electorate of Cunningham closely mirrors the natural means of communication and travel of the area that it covers. The three major corridors used by its constituents radiate naturally from Toowoomba – the New England Highway, the Gore Highway, and the Toowoomba-Cecil Plains Road. Each of these communities is also naturally linked from Clifton to Pittsworth, Millmerran and Cecil Plains, as well as the smaller communities in between.
(c) the physical features of each proposed electoral district;

The Cunningham electorate encompasses largely an agricultural region with natural physical boundaries. Its eastern boundary is the Great Dividing Range, a significant physical boundary; to the north is the City of Toowoomba, and to the west is a large area of State Forest. This area is a neat fit as detailed above.

(d) the boundaries of existing electoral districts;

Given the reasons detailed above, the Redistribution Commission could leave the existing electorate of Cunningham largely unchanged, comply with the criteria set down for its consideration, and create minimum disruption to the electors currently residing in Cunningham. In my view, an objective of the Commission should be to minimise changes where it is possible to do so, as is the case with the Cunningham electorate.

(e) demographic trends in the State, with a view to ensuring as far as practicable that, on the basis of the trends, the need for another electoral redistribution will not arise before the stipulated time.

The existing Cunningham electorate has a mix of both low and high growth. This has meant that enrolments since the last redistribution have consistently stayed within the margin of tolerance, and the Commission has predicted that it will remain well within the margin of tolerance in 2014. On the Commissions figures, future changes in enrolments in an unchanged Cunningham electorate should not contribute to the need for another electoral redistribution before the stipulated time.

Names of Proposed Electorates

The Commission has proposed discontinuing the use of the names of Cunningham and Darling Downs, with the proposed new name of Dalby. Should the Commission proceed with the boundaries contained in the redistribution report, Dalby is not the best name for the proposed seat.

While Dalby would be the largest single town in the proposed seat, the name is not reflective of the broad range of communities included. Communities such as Clifton, Greenmount, Pittsworth, Wyreema, Westbrook, Mt Tyson, Biddeston, Oakey, Bowenville, and Bell; as well as the Toowoomba suburbs of Hodgson Vale, Kearney’s Spring, Darling Heights, Drayton, Glenvale, and Cotswold Hills do not identify as part of Dalby.

Naming of Electorates should be inclusive, as electors can feel isolated by the wrong choice. This has been evident in all these communities with the Local Government Reform Commission’s choice of names of Toowoomba and Dalby Regional Councils respectively being met with widespread disapproval.
The name of Cunningham is an historical reflection of its area, while the name Darling Downs is a broadly encompassing geographical reference. The new name for any seat should similarly be more broadly inclusive in an historic or geographic way.

I wish the Commission well in its deliberations.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Secretary,  

**OBSESSION TO DRAFT REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SEATS**  

I take this opportunity to strongly object to the draft redistribution  
proposal made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission. In relation  
to the removal of the Seat of Tablelands and the resultant distribution of it  
into the electorates of Cook, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new seat of  
Macrossan.  

By definition Tablelands electorate is part of the wet tropics area. We  
consider to divide this is irresponsible in environmental integrity as well  
as creating a dislocation of the historical, geographical and horticultural  
identity of the region.  
I believe that it is important that this review is conducted fairly and  
independently as encapsulated by the Queensland Electoral Act 1992.  

The current redistribution quota has been set at 29,081 (plus or minus 10  
per cent 26,173 to 31,989). Electorates of more than 100,000 square  
kilometres attract “weighting” of 2% of the area of the electorate.  

Firstly I object on the basis that the growth projections used by the  
Commission appear at odds with projections used in the recently released  
Draft Regional Plan 2025 which appear to show an increase in voters of  
approximately 60,000 across the region in coming years.
Additionally Section 46 (1-2) of the Electoral Act 1992 outlines matters the Redistribution Commission should consider including, 46(1) (a-d), the issue of “community of interest” and related geographical matters while 46 (1)(e) deals with handling population trends within the State.

I believe the issue of “community of interest” must be given careful consideration and due weight by the Commission. There is a wide array of indicators as to what constitutes a community of interest.

I submit that the first such indicator in regard to the Seat of Tablelands is the intense interest and participation by electors in this redistribution process and the fact that half of all submissions made in the previous stage were from Tablelands is an indication in itself of the area’s strong sense of identity.

Further road linkages, school catchments, geographic features, local government boundaries, traditional connections, regional sporting contests, shared industries and so on are all clear indicators.

Community groups including progress associations, service clubs and so on should be considered, such as the co-operation between Atherton and Mareeba Rotary Clubs to host the FNQ Field Days, yet another indication of the connections between regional centres on Tablelands.

The distribution and alignment of government services are another set of indicators that should be given strong weight. The entire seat of Tablelands is within the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. All Main roads in the seat fall under the ambit of the Cairns office of the Department of Main Roads. State Schools are managed through Johnstone office of the Department of Education. The Department of Child Safety, Police, Fire, Ambulance and other Government services on Tablelands are all managed through regional offices in Cairns.

A State Members primary role is to represent constituents in dealings with State Government agencies. It is clear that the closer the alignment between State Electorate boundaries and State Government service provision districts, the more effective a Member can be on behalf of constituents.

State planning, development and management documents and strategies, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan, the Barron
Water Resource Plan and Local Government amalgamation process should all be considered to ensure that existing and ongoing definitions of communities already entrenched in such documents, plans and strategies are not invalidated or ignored by the Commission.

In the seat of Tablelands, and across all of Far North Queensland, roads provide the arteries for communities. There are major road connections between Tablelands and Cairns including the Rex Range Road, Kuranda Range Road, Gillies Highway and Palmerston Highway. There is only one direct road connection into Cook, and one into the proposed seat of Macrossan and in both of those cases, they are narrow, remote and a barrier to community interaction.

I submit that enrolment growth estimates used by the ECQ appear not to reflect the expectations contained within Queensland Government planning documents, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan only recently released.

I draw the Redistribution Commission’s attention to the fact Far North Queensland has the second highest growth rate in Queensland after the South East. In particular the expected growth in voters will, I believe, see many, if not all, Far Northern seats exceed the margin of tolerance well before the due date for the next redistribution.

The Tablelands has already experienced significant growth and is expected to be one of the growth areas of the Far North in the immediate future.

Therefore I submit that the elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands, as described in the Queensland Redistribution Commission’s Report on Proposed Electoral Districts is severely flawed.

The Commission has chosen to take all of the seats that needed to be eliminated from the area it defined as the “Intermediate” zone.

I submit that it is far more equitable to include the Coastal Zone in the area from which seats could be removed rather than quarantining it from this process.

This is especially so as the expected impacts of climate change will be most felt on the coast with the expected result over the longer term of
falling populations as electors move away from increasingly at-risk coastal areas.

The expected impact of global warming is already being taken into consideration in documents such as the FNQ Draft 2025 Development Plan which states (P19): “In addition, the coastal plain becomes less desirable due to climate change impacts such as increased temperature, increased flooding, more severe cyclones and sea level rise”.

This Draft 2025 Plan also clearly identifies the area of the Tablelands Electorate as being firmly within Far North Queensland as opposed to North Queensland.

The proposed Macrossan redistribution which includes the Tablelands electorate south of the Walsh River fractures this area and separates it from its traditional linkages. It forces this part of the existing Tablelands Electorate into the new seat of Macrossan with which it has NO shared community of interest. The nearest town is Charters Towers which is five hours drive away.

The Charters Towers section of Macrossan does have strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other seats in the Northern area. The southern section of the Seat of Hinchinbrook also has strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other northern electorates.

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OBJECTION TO DRAFT REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SEATS

I take this opportunity to strongly object to the draft redistribution proposal made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission. In relation to the removal of the Seat of Tablelands and the resultant distribution of it into the electorates of Cook, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new seat of Macrossan.

By definition Tablelands electorate is part of the wet tropics area. We consider to divide this is irresponsible in environmental integrity as well as creating a dislocation of the historical, geographical and horticultural identity of the region.

I believe that it is important that this review is conducted fairly and independently as encapsulated by the Queensland Electoral Act 1992.

The current redistribution quota has been set at 29,081 (plus or minus 10 per cent 26,173 to 31,989). Electorates of more than 100,000 square kilometres attract “weighting” of 2% of the area of the electorate.

Firstly I object on the basis that the growth projections used by the Commission appear at odds with projections used in the recently released Draft Regional Plan 2025 which appear to show an increase in voters of approximately 60,000 across the region in coming years.
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I believe the issue of “community of interest” must be given careful consideration and due weight by the Commission. There is a wide array of indicators as to what constitutes a community of interest.

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Further road linkages, school catchments, geographic features, local government boundaries, traditional connections, regional sporting contests, shared industries and so on are all clear indicators.

Community groups including progress associations, service clubs and so on should be considered, such as the co-operation between Atherton and Mareeba Rotary Clubs to host the FNQ Field Days, yet another indication of the connections between regional centres on Tablelands.

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Re: TABLELANDS ELECTORATE

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I request this submission be accepted.

Pamela Fraser
Redistribution of Electoral Boundaries – Nicklin Electorate

As an elector resident in the central Blackall Range I write formally to lodge my objections to the currently proposed electoral redistribution which would, inter alia, excise the communities of Montville and Flaxton from the Nicklin electorate and place them into the Glasshouse electorate.

My grounds for this objection are:-

The subject areas have a long term association with the Nicklin electorate and a highly developed community of interest with it.

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In summary, historical development of the central/northern Blackall Range took place as a cohesive social grouping, with many cooperatives and enlightened and altruistic community “self help” programs. These attitudes have endured to the present. Overwhelmingly, the resident community views itself as a single entity comprising the communities of Montville, Flaxton, and Mapleton and beyond. The perceived community shares community facilities ranging from the Care Group, through gymnasiums to Arts and Craft societies, land and water care and planning groups, as well as a strong social cohesion. There are well over 30 community based associations/activities which embrace the broad Range. It is, in fact, an uncommonly cohesive and motivated to mutual support community. Such cohesion and the highly valuable effectiveness of the various community groups would be much diminished, if not destroyed, if it were necessary for them to deal at a State Government level with two local representatives rather than one. Such a situation would, of course, be grossly inefficient for the State Government, also.

All of the “off Range” focus of the Montville/Flaxton communities is north and east and Nambour directed, not south directed. This direction is not only by reasons of historical association but also strongly determined by the topography, access and transport links. Nambour/Nicklin is accessible, extensively used and historically deeply embedded in the Blackall Range culture. Any commercially, industrially, culturally or socially significant place in Glasshouse is none of these. The topographic characteristics of the Blackall Range preclude infrastructure ever being practically developed which would change this situation.

I urge reconsideration of the proposal to excise Montville/Flaxton from the Nicklin electorate and transfer them to Glasshouse as the proposal is socially damaging, contrary to historical connections and present custom, illogical on “community of interest” grounds, largely unworkable in a practical association sense and contrary to strongly help community wishes.

Yours faithfully

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We, Norman and Winifred Dell Casey of 4 Bareena Court, Palmwoods, object to the proposed boundary change for the community of Palmwoods from the Nicklin Electorate to the Glasshouse Electorate because we have no community interest associated with any area south of Eudlo. Our community of interest is with Woombye and Nambour and currently we only have to travel 14km to visit our elected member whereas a change of boundaries will take double the distance.

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Yours sincerely

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Yours sincerely
Ian McCracken
16 Herschel Street
Clermont Q 4721
It is with great concern that we learn that Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum are to be removed from Nicklin Electorate and included in the Glass House Electorate. Why on earth would this happen? Mr Peter Wellington has been extremely helpful and available to everyone in his electorate and we definitely want things to continue as they are. Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum, as railway towns from settlement days, definitely do share a community of interest together within Nicklin and definitely have no geographical interest, or any other kind of interest, with Glass House Mountains. In fact, the Glass House MP has her office in Caboolture which is a long way from Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum. This makes her availability, or interest in us, highly questionable.

We ask that you take our very serious concern into account and leave Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum within Nicklin Electorate. Also, please note we all voted for Peter Wellington as our State MP, and do not appreciate being moved from his electorate.

John and Kathleen Bonnell
19 Bamboo Road
Palmwoods 4555
From: Greg and Sophie Bennett [mail:x.bennettgands@bigpond.com]
Sent: Friday, 20 June 2008 6:04 PM
To: BCC User
Subject: QRC/10

To whom it may concern:

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced in the redistribution of electorates. Clermont as part of the former Belyando Shire and current Isaac Regional Council will no longer be a part of the newly created Macrossan electorate. However the surrounding communities of Moranbah, Belyando Crossing and Kilcummin will remain within the Macrossan electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two major centres alongside Moranbah within the former Belyando Shire. Both communities remain within the one shire and local government administration and resources are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional commonalities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grain and beef industries.

While it is understood that the numerical requirement is the most important factor when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new mines. There is an employment vacuum with skilled fly in fly out workers that attract and retain employees. They are of the opinion that this is not ideal and are currently making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop extra land for additional housing.

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Dear Secretary,

OBJECTION TO DRAFT REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SEATS

I take this opportunity to strongly object to the draft redistribution proposal made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission. In relation to the removal of the Seat of Tablelands and the resultant distribution of it into the electorates of Cook, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new seat of Macrossan.

Because of this my objections will deal specifically with Northern and Far Northern regional electorates and take into consideration the removal of three seats from rural and regional areas of Queensland to allow for three new seats in the South East corner.

I believe that it is important that this review is conducted fairly and independently as encapsulated by the Queensland Electoral Act 1992.

The current redistribution quota has been set at 29,081 (plus or minus 10 per cent 26,173 to 31,989). Electorates of more than 100,000 square kilometres attract “weighting” of 2% of the area of the electorate.

Firstly I object on the basis that the growth projections used by the Commission appear at odds with projections used in the recently released Draft Regional Plan 2025 which appear to show an increase in voters of approximately 60,000 across the region in coming years.
Additionally Section 46 (1-2) of the Electoral Act 1992 outlines matters the Redistribution Commission should consider including, 46(1) (a-d), the issue of "community of interest" and related geographical matters while 46 (1)(c) deals with handling population trends within the State.

I believe the issue of "community of interest" must be given careful consideration and due weight by the Commission. There is a wide array of indicators as to what constitutes a community of interest.

I submit that the first such indicator in regard to the Seat of Tablelands is the intense interest and participation by electors in this redistribution process and the fact that half of all submissions made in the previous stage were from Tablelands is an indication in itself of the area's strong sense of identity.

Further road linkages, school catchments, geographic features, local government boundaries, traditional connections, regional sporting contests, shared industries and so on are all clear indicators.

Community groups including progress associations, service clubs and so on should be considered, such as the co-operation between Atherton and Mareeba Rotary Clubs to host the FNQ Field Days, yet another indication of the connections between regional centres on Tablelands.

The distribution and alignment of government services are another set of indicators that should be given strong weight. The entire seat of Tablelands is within the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. All Main roads in the seat fall under the ambit of the Cairns office of the Department of Main Roads. State Schools are managed through Johnstone office of the Department of Education. The Department of Child Safety, Police, Fire, Ambulance and other Government services on Tablelands are all managed through regional offices in Cairns.

A State Member's primary role is to represent constituents in dealings with State Government agencies. It is clear that the closer the alignment between State Electorate boundaries and State Government service provision districts, the more effective a Member can be on behalf of constituents.
State planning, development and management documents and strategies, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan, the Barron Water Resource Plan and Local Government amalgamation process should all be considered to ensure that existing and ongoing definitions of communities already entrenched in such documents, plans and strategies are not invalidated or ignored by the Commission.

In the seat of Tablelands, and across all of Far North Queensland, roads provide the arteries for communities. There are major road connections between Tablelands and Cairns including the Rex Range Road, Kuranda Range Road, Gillies Highway and Palmerston Highway. There is only one direct road connection into Cook, and one into the proposed seat of Macrossan and in both of these cases, they are narrow, remote and a barrier to community interaction.

I submit that enrolment growth estimates used by the ECQ appear not to reflect the expectations contained within Queensland Government planning documents, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan only recently released.

I draw the Redistribution Commission’s attention to the fact Far North Queensland has the second highest growth rate in Queensland after the South East. In particular the expected growth in voters will, I believe, see many, if not all, Far Northern seats exceed the margin of tolerance well before the due date for the next redistribution.

The Tablelands has already experienced significant growth and is expected to be one of the growth areas of the Far North in the immediate future.

Therefore I submit that the elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands, as described in the Queensland Redistribution Commission’s Report on Proposed Electoral Districts is severely flawed.

The Commission has chosen to take all of the seats that needed to be eliminated from the area it defined as the “Intermediate” zone.

I submit that it is far more equitable to include the Coastal Zone in the area from which seats could be removed rather than quarantining it from this process.
This is especially so as the expected impacts of climate change will be most felt on the coast with the expected result over the longer term of falling populations as electors move away from increasingly at-risk coastal areas.

The expected impact of global warming is already being taken into consideration in documents such as the FNQ Draft 2025 Development Plan which states (P19): "In addition, the coastal plain becomes less desirable due to climate change impacts such as increased temperature, increased flooding, more severe cyclones and sea level rise".

This Draft 2025 Plan also clearly identifies the area of the Tablelands Electorate as being firmly within Far North Queensland as opposed to North Queensland.

The proposed Macrossan redistribution which includes the Tablelands electorate south of the Walsh River fractures this area and separates it from its traditional linkages. It forces this part of the existing Tablelands Electorate into the new seat of Macrossan with which it has no shared community of interest. The nearest town is Charters Towers which is five hours drive away.

The Charters Towers section of Macrossan does have strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other seats in the Northern area. The southern section of the seat of Hinchinbrook also has strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other northern electorates.

I submit that the existing Seat of Tablelands is a cohesive area, demonstrated not only in the forced amalgamation of its Local Governments but in a wide range of Government documents ranging from the Barron Water Resource Plan which demonstrates that the majority of the seat is part of a single catchment and irrigation area and is directly linked to Cairns, to the FNQ Draft Regional Plan 2025, demonstrating how the area is cohesive in areas ranging from environmental planning to transport links, from industry to climatic challenges.

The FNQ 2025 Draft Plan also predicts growth of approximately 100,000 people in Far North Queensland which converts approximately to 60,000 additional voters.
This growth will place all of the existing seats (Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave and Tablelands) well above the new quota figure in the coming years. However Hinchinbrook’s weakened prospects are demonstrated under your redistribution where it remains so far below quota.

Public Health services are managed by the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. The Tablelands regional identity is clearly recognised by every other branch of government.

I submit that legislation allowing the Commission to give what weight it chooses to such matters as “community of interest” should NOT mean it gives no weight at all to those matters.

I submit that the redistribution as proposed will NOT provide equitable, democratic representation in anything other than the coarsest, most rudimentary mathematical definition to many electors in Far North and Northern Queensland.

I submit that the proposed elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands and the division of its constituents between three other seats denies those constituents Natural Justice, especially as they have recently lost their traditional local government representation on the basis they are a single, cohesive area.

However, if it is the Commission’s position that there is no option but to remove a seat from North and Far North Queensland, I propose the area of Hinchinbrook south of the Cardwell Range become part of Macrossan, and the area north of the Cardwell Range become part of Mulgrave.

The existing Hinchinbrook Electorate does not include areas of expected significant population growth, apart from some tourist-related increases in the locality of Mission Beach in the northern sector and some of the northern fringes of Thuringowa.

My submission provides a more equitable, just and reasonable result for North and Far North Queensland.

This is based on enrolments in the 2006 Statistical Return along with booth numbers and Declared and Prepoll vote percentages from the same publication for the existing seats it is proposed to retain. It also relies on the area weighting for the seat of Cook.
It uses the proposed enrolment for Macrossan as outlined in the ECQ Proposed Queensland Electoral Districts Report of May 2008.

I believe this creates seats with very even enrolments and avoids the difficulty posed by your proposed redistribution by specifically retaining the seat of Tablelands which is an existing, cohesive area.

It achieves this by dividing Hinchinbrook along the line of the Cardwell Range, with the area south being allocated to Macrossan and the area north of the Cardwell Range to Mulgrave, with resultant minor changes to the electorates of Cairns, Barron River, Cook and Tablelands to ensure balance.

My proposed new boundaries for Macrossan are unlikely to exceed the 100,000 square kilometres limit so no weighting has been included in the proposed total enrolment for Macrossan.

I submit the proposed redistribution of Tablelands, Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new Macrossan Electorates for your consideration as follows:

**Tablelands (24385 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Kuranda Booth from Cook, Kuranda Booth from Barron River and South Johnstone, Mena Creek, Silkwood and Mundoo Booths from Hinchinbrook. Incorporating appropriate Declared and Prepoll votes provides a total enrolment of: 27,846.

**Cook (24,008, weighted 24,764 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Trinity Beach Booth, with Declared and Prepoll percentages.

**Loses Kuranda Booth and Declared and Prepoll Percentages to Tablelands to provide a total enrolment of: 28,407**

**Barron River (27,629 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Edge Hill, Whitfield, North Cairns and West Cairns Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Cairns.

**Loses Trinity Beach Booth and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Cook and Kuranda Booth and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Tablelands to give a total enrolment of: 28,036**
Cairns (25,720 enrolment 2006)
Acquires Woree, Bayview Gardens, White Rock and Edmonton Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Mulgrave.

Loses Edge Hill, Whitfield, North Cairns and West Cairns Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Barron River to give a total enrolment of: 27,161

Mulgrave (26,878 enrolment 2006)
Acquires Innisfail, Mourilyan, Moresby, El Arish, Feluga, Tully, Tully Red Cross Centre, Lower Tully, Kurrimine, Mission Beach, Mission Beach South, Murray Upper, Kennedy and Cardwell Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Hinchinbrook.

Loses Woree, Bayview Gardens, White Rock and Edmonton Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Cairns to give a total enrolment of: 27,138

Hinchinbrook (22,594 enrolment 2006)
Divided along the former Local Government boundaries between Hinchinbrook and Cardwell Shires, which also aligns along the major geographical feature of the Cardwell Range.
Areas north (former Cardwell Shire) will become part of Mulgrave. Areas south of the Range to become part of proposed Macrossan which already abuts the Townsville/Thuringowa urban area. This also aligns the north and south of Hinchinbrook with each area's relevant commercial, medial and economic centres ie Cairns and Townsville.

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Loses Abergowrie, Long Pocket, Lucinda, Macknade, Halifax, Trebonne, Ingham, Ingham Hospital, Victoria Estate, Toobanna, Forrest Beach, Bambaroo, Rollingstone, Bluewater, Deeragun and Northern Beaches Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to proposed Macrossan to give enrolment of: 0
Mackrossan (28,037 proposed enrolment, ECQ Report) Acquires Abergowrie, Long Pocket, Luanda, Macknade, Halifax, Truboonie, Ingham, Ingham Hospital, Victoria Estate, Toobanna, Forrest Beach, Bambaroo, Rollingstone, Bluewater, Deeragun and Northern Beaches Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Hinchinbrook.

Loses Atherton, Atherton North, Butcher's Creek, Dimbulah, Evelyn Central, Herberton, Innis Hot Springs, Kairi, Malanda, Millaa Millaa, Mount Garnet, Mutchilba, Ravenshoe, Tolga, Upper Barron, Walkamin, Wondella and Yungaburra Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Tablelands to give total enrolment of 28,918.

I strongly object to the proposals for North and Far North Queensland as made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission, as I believe they do not take into consideration the seats which are increasing in population as opposed to those which are decreasing. It does not recognise the weak or even negative growth along areas of the coast.

It also fails to recognise major planning issues and directions such as those described earlier in this objection, in particular the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan.

I enclose for the Commission’s information indicative maps of my proposed realignments of relevant North and Far Northern boundaries.

I urge the Commission to reconsider their current proposed redistribution and its impact on the North and Far North electorates.

I submit that this objection meets all of the relevant requirements including numerical, which must be taken into account.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

Rosa Lee Long MP
Member for Tablelands
QUEENSLAND STATE ELECTION 2006 SHOWING POLLING BOOTH LOCATIONS.
Cook District
Electorate at close of Roll: 21,008
No. of Booths: 30

Acquires: □
Losses: □

Legend:
- Polling Booth
- District Boundary
- Water
- Adjacent Districts

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to register my strong opposition to the elimination of the seat of Tablelands in your proposed Redistribution.

I am a Tablelands constituent and believe your proposal to divide this seat between Cook and a new seat of Macrossan is badly flawed. This is totally inconsistent with the findings of the Local Government Reform Commission which declared, despite strong objections, that the previous four shire councils should be amalgamated into one because this district had such a strong connection and identity.

Your proposal to include a significant portion of the Tablelands into Macrossan, which runs some 1000 kilometres south and deep into Central Queensland is inconsistent with the Department of Infrastructure Planning’s draft FNQ 2025 Plan that places this area firmly in Far North Queensland. Nor do your claims of low and failing elector numbers align with the expected growth identified in FNQ 2025.

You also appear to ignore that Cairns is the service centre for this region and is the nexus for health, transport and communication links etc. These simply do not exist along the north-south alignment of Macrossan in particular.

There is no community of interest between the wet, tropical highlands of Tablelands and the hinterland of Mackay, nor is there any strong connection between the Mareeba district and Cape York.

I request that you review the elimination of Tablelands in your proposed redistribution and instead restore this region’s capacity to have its own voice in Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

23 JUN 2008
12 June 2008

Queensland Redistribution Commission
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BRISBANE QLD 4001

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

PROPOSED NEW BOUNDARIES FOR THE STATE ELECTORATE OF LOGAN

After studying the proposal, I wish to submit my objection to the break up of Boronia Heights and Hillcrest from Logan.

I feel by separating these two suburbs from Logan breaks up the community of interest with suburbs like Regents Park, Browns Plains, Park Ridge and Forestdale.

As the area Councillor, I have worked with the member for Logan for many years and dealt with the same constituents many of whom have voiced their concerns to me about this new boundary change.

I believe that the proposed new border which has been extended right down to Jimboomba does not have the same community of interest which you require (Jimboomba being a rural area). Another consideration is by removing Hillcrest and Boronia Heights out of Logan you have now got two members from two different cities servicing and operating in the same area. Member for Algester and the Member for Logan.

It was the desire of a lot of residents who live in Forestdale to have Forestdale brought into Logan and therefore have all the Northern suburbs of Logan West in Logan City and under the one member. Johnson Road is the street which divides Brisbane from Logan City.

To further explain, the Western point of Logan City comprises of Browns Plains, Regents Park, Hillcrest, Boronia Heights, Forestdale, Park Ridge, Greenbank and Jimboomba. Johnson Road is the divider road between Brisbane and Logan City.

On the northern side of Johnson Road is Brisbane with a very large industrial precinct and on the southern side of Logan City are the suburbs of Forestdale, Hillcrest and Boronia Heights.
The south west area of Logan City is predominantly rural or rural residential and has little community of interest with the higher density areas in the north. Dividing the community connectivity by removing Beenleigh Heights and Hillcrest specifically from the State electorate of Logan will have impacts on both those communities and those they are being separated from.

It seems more sensible for a State electorate to have a generally consistent and connected community. The draft boundaries include in fact substantial diversity of communities, which have little or no connectivity.

Please find enclosed a copy of maps of my proposal for your consideration. I would appreciate serious consideration into my objection of the removal of Beenleigh Heights and Hillcrest from the state electorate of Logan.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Cllr Lynne Clarke
MEMBER FOR DIVISION 7
Chairperson for Infrastructure
19th June, 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
Locked Bag 3304
Brisbane Q 4001

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide to the Commission our Committee's concerns about the proposed Nicklin and Glasshouse electoral boundaries in relation to our district.

Our Association has been in existence for more than fifty years and has represented the landowners and residents of the Eudlo and Ilkley District in relation to Federal, State and Local Government matters.

We are concerned that the redistribution proposed by the Commission will have an adverse effect on our community in relation to the five boundary review criteria in the following ways:

- our community of interest has only a very limited connection with Mooloolah or any of the other townships in the Glasshouse area. Certainly there is no connection whatsoever with Caboolture. Our community of interest is located in the Palmwoods, Forest Glen, Woombey and Nambour areas.

- local requirements include facilities and services for business, employment, banking, recreation, health (doctors, hospitals and other medical facilities), regular shopping and social functions. All of these facilities are located to the north of our district, and, importantly, with a focus on Nambour.

- on a daily basis, traffic to and from Eudlo is to the north or east. Rail service is the only public transport, particularly for school purposes, to and from the north. All other transport is by road to the north, viz. Palmwoods, Woombey and Nambour or to the east to the Bruce Highway.

- the physical features that lie between the Eudlo/Ilkley district and the Glasshouse district are dominated by the Mount Sippy Range in the east from the Bruce Highway to the Blackall Range Road in the west via The Pinch Lane (more than 15 kilometres). There is only one local road through this range from Eudlo to Mooloolah.

- The current boundary between the Nicklin and Glasshouse electorates will remain appropriate in the longer term. Any other boundary would be inappropriate. This boundary is particularly significant and appropriate for all approved Rural Fire Brigade Boundaries who rely entirely on volunteers.
analysis of demographic trends over the last twenty years indicates below average growth of population for the Eudlo and Ilkley District which primarily involves rural properties and therefore is controlled within rural Town Planning legislation. In 1992, local community members completed a survey of all properties in the Eudlo/Ilkley District which established the criteria for long term town planning purposes. This survey received two awards at the annual Queensland Royal Australian Planning Institute Awards.

In conclusion, we consider that the above information and the concerns of our community provide clear evidence that the Eudlo and Ilkley District should remain within the Nicklin Electorate.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Peter Farnham
President
19 June 2008

The Secretary
Qld Redistribution Commission
Locked Bag 3904
Brisbane 4000

Dear Commissioner

Qld Redistribution Commission Objection

I am writing with regards to the recent proposal by the Qld Redistribution Commission to incorporate Diamantina Shire into the proposed Mt Isa electorate.

For your information RAPAD – Remote Area Planning and Development Board – is a regional organisation of councils and regional development agency owned by the seven local governments of the Central West region.

Diamantina is a member of RAPAD and at a recent meeting all members, vis-à-vis Longreach, Barcaldine, Barcoo, Winton, Blackall/Tambo and Bouli, along with Diamantina resolved to oppose this redistribution, specifically the detrimental effects it would have on Diamantina Shire. This opposition to the proposed redistribution is based on our understanding of the principles of ‘communities of interest’ which have a significant impact on small rural and remote communities which make up our region.

Diamantina Shire has no community of interest with the Mt Isa electorate.

This proposal conflicts with the essential services supplied in the majority by the Central and South West regional providers; the current business links; the communication and transport links, e.g. cattle transport; and the day-to-day economic transactions occurring at the individual and community level.
Every small council in the Central West knows very well, the feelings of isolation and remoteness. This is exacerbated when the representation at a political level is drawn by the large populations, which in this case will be Mt Isa, a significant mining town. Apart from the overriding argument based around communities of interest, Diamantina will quite simply be inadequately represented in an electorate stretching from the Gulf of Carpentaria to the South Australian border and east to Charters Towers. It is logistically extremely difficult.

RAPAD is opposed to this redistribution and we trust you give consideration to the existing communities of interest that Diamantina has with its eastern and southern neighbours.

For further information please contact me on 46583301.

Yours Sincerely,

David Arnold
The Secretary  
Queensland Redistribution Commission  
Locked Bag 3304  
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Secretary  

Re: QRC/O  
Comment on location of Chermside

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Resident 30 yrs

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Chermside 4032

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My permanent address will be

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930 Gympie Rd
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Name: Jane Hughes
Address: 12 Millard St, Chermside

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R.B. C.M. WARRREN

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Name: R.C.M. WARRREN

Address: 58 KUBAN STREET
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I urge reconsideration of the proposal to excise Montville/Flaxton from the Nicklin electorate and transfer them to Glasshouse as the proposal is socially damaging, contrary to historical connections and present customs, illogical on “community of interest” grounds, largely unworkable in a practical association sense and contrary to strongly held community wishes.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

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Redistribution of Electoral Boundaries – Nicklin Electorate

The Montville Village Association (MVA) primary objective is to be custodian of the Village hall and sportsground. As a consequence of this it also the organiser of many community based functions and importantly it acts as the community voice.

As a representative of the local area we are formally lodging our objections to the currently proposed Queensland electoral redistribution.

The proposed redistributions would excise the communities of Montville and Flaxton from the Nicklin electorate and place them into the Glasshouse electorate.

Our grounds for this objection are:-

The Montville and Flaxton areas have a long term association with the Nicklin electorate and a highly developed community of interest with it.

The historical association of the villages of Montville and Flaxton has primarily been and continues to be with the regional service town of Nambour. Nambour is also the location of the electoral office for the Nicklin electorate. There is not now and never has been any association of the subject village communities with the service hubs and electorate office of the Glasshouse electorate.

Practical road access and the only public transport available in the central/northern section of the Blackall range connects to Nambour.

Nambour is the location of the nearest and mainly typically used advanced medical consultation services for Range residents. It is the location of the most typically used hospitals.

Practically all higher level banking and financial services used by Range residents are Nambour based.

It is visibly obvious that the population of the “railway corridor” through the Glasshouse electorate which accommodates its major population density is growing uncommonly rapidly and it is difficult to imagine its population not increasing by far more than the 10% electorate quota margin within a very short time, thus requiring the excision of some part of it, probably within as little as 3 years.
In summary, historical development of the central/northern Blackall Range took place as a cohesive social grouping, with many cooperatives and enlightened and altruistic community “self-help” programs. These attitudes have endured to the present. Overwhelmingly, the resident community views itself as a single entity comprising the communities of Montville, Flaxton, and Mapleton and beyond. The perceived community shares community facilities ranging from the Cafe Group, through gymnasiuims to Arts and Craft societies, land and water care and planning groups, as well as a strong social cohesion. There are well over 30 community based associations/activities which embrace the broad Range. It is, in fact, an uncommonly cohesive and motivated to mutual support community. Such cohesion and the highly valuable effectiveness of the various community groups would be much diminished, if not destroyed, if it were necessary for them to deal at a State Government level with two local representatives rather than one. Such a situation would, of course, be grossly inefficient for the State Government, also.

The majority of the “off Range” focus of the Montville/Flaxton communities is north and east and Nambour directed, not south directed. This direction is not only by reasons of historical association but also strongly determined by the topography, access and transport links. Nambour/Nicklin is accessible, extensively used and historically deeply embedded in the Blackall Range culture. Any commercially, industrially, culturally or socially significant place in Glasshouse is none of these. The topographic characteristics of the Blackall Range preclude infrastructure ever being practically developed which would change this situation.

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Yours faithfully,

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RE: Protest to the proposed carve up of the Tablelands  
& possible loss of our Local Member

Dear Sir/Madam,

We would like to take this opportunity to register our protest & strong disagreement against the proposed redistribution of the Tablelands area.

As voters from the tableland area, we are of the opinion that a split of the two major tableland towns of Mareeba and Atherton would greatly hinder progress in the region. We strongly feel that this area needs to be under the same umbrella as it has been for past years, to enable growth and progress of both towns to assist each in growth, business and tourism. This area needs to remain intact as one, not split as the current proposal.

Having a Tableland's Member, means the Tablelands Community will progress to compliment both the north and southern Tablelands area. Our current Local Member, Rosa Lee Long has been a very effective advocate and we would like to see this remain.

We did not get to vote, or have a referendum on the of the forcing of the Tableland Shires to one Regional Council, to unite on local government matters; at least we should be able to keep our State Government Local Member to ensure our issues from the whole community are heard by one voice, one local point, who has the whole of the Tablelands progress and welfare at the fore, for all the right reasons.

We fail to see how Charters Towers can help the Southern Tablelands area move forward with the Northern Tablelands who will be under a completely different area to go forward together!

Should you need to contact us regarding our concerns, please do not hesitate to contact at the above address or phone numbers.

Yours faithfully,

Judy & Tony Scorinis
From: Diver [mailto:diver 139@supermerd.com.au]
Sent: Saturday, 21 June 2008 10:57 PM
To: ECQ User
Subject: Submission for Electoral Boundary Change

To whom it may concern

I wish to lodge a submission regarding the proposed change of electoral boundaries which will remove the seat of Tablelands and replace it with an entity better called the Electorate of Leftovers. My submission is based on the following grounds:

- Lack of community of interest
- Lack of meaningful representation
- Logistics of servicing such a vast area

Section 46 of the Electoral Act 1992 requires that the redistribution be based on defined criteria, and it is around those criteria that I base my submission.

The extent to which there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interests within each proposed electoral district

The southern Tablelands has little economic community of interest with the central western mining towns included in Charters Towers. The southern tablelands area comprises intensive agriculture (potatoes, corn, vegetables, tree crops, dairy). Likewise our regional interests lie with the Cairns area. We are included within the footprint of the new Cairns Regional Plan 2025 - not within any regional planning process based on Charters Towers, Mackay or Townsville.

The Tablelands has no social community of interest with the dry country mining towns or central Qld. We are not coal or gold towns; we are intensive, wet climate farming communities with connections to the wet tropics. The only community of interest we share with central Qld is that we are less densely settled leftovers located away from the coast.

The Commission may also consider the boundaries of local government areas to the extent that it is satisfied that there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interests within each local government area.

The Atherton Tablelands Shires have just gone through the local government amalgamation process where our 4 tableland local governments were amalgamated based on a perceived community of interest based around geographical and physical similarities, and service of the region by the same newspapers (Andrew Fraser pers. comm. Feb 2008). We are now being divided up again based on another quite contradictory perceived community of interest that has us lumped in with coal mining towns and dry savannah goldfields. Again, this criteria has been ignored by the need to increase electoral enrollments for Charters Towers. Instead there is an option to unite Kuranda and place it within the Tablelands electorate where it has remained after the local government amalgamations.

The ways of communication and travel within each proposed electoral district
The proposed seat of Macrossan is so large and sprawling as to be unmanageable, both for the elected member and for the constituents. The elected member will need to advertise in at least 3 large regional papers to get messages out. The likelihood of regular, much less frequent, trips hundreds of kilometres from the member's home base of Charters Towers to the northern edges where Tablelands now sits, is remote. Even with the best intentions, there will be insufficient time and resources to provide a regular service to our part of the world. Thus the probability of adequate representation is diminished by the great distances involved and the logistics required.

We are currently a small voice in the country, but at least we have a voice. The south eastern corner will continue to dominate – but the Tablelands towns need real representation too.

The physical properties of each proposed electoral district

There are very few if any geographical or physical similarities within the existing seats to satisfy this criterion. The western goldfields and southern coal mining towns within Charters Towers are totally dissimilar in terms of industry, landscape, geography and climate to the major populated parts of the Tablelands which are within the Wet Tropics bioregion. We have more in common with Mulgrave and Cairns than central Qld – even down to sharing a local paper.

The boundaries of existing electoral districts

The boundaries of the existing electoral districts define areas that share similar characteristics. Charters Towers comprises mainly mining towns and extensive cattle grazing interests in the dry savannah, while the Tablelands largely comprises the wet tropical rainforests and the intensively farmed agricultural uplands (corn, dairy, potatoes, tree crops) of the Atherton Tablelands along with a drier western area, more similar to Cook. Amalgamating these two quite disparate areas together does not follow any logic other than uniting the leftovers after separating them out from all the faster growing coastal areas to the east. This criterion has been ignored in favour of increasing electoral enrolments for Charters Towers at the expense of meaningful representation.

This boundary change comes at a time of major local government disruption which has put pressure on representation at the local level. Locally our small farming communities are within a LGA the size of Tasmania; now we are lumped into a state government seat exceeding 400,000km² and divided between 3 seats. As we are at the margins of all three seats we will have little meaningful representation at this level either.

Instead of this redistribution model, there is an option to unite Kuranda and place it within the Tablelands electorate where it remained after the March local government amalgamations, and to retain the northern part of the Tablelands within the seat of Tablelands rather than moving it into Cook. Charters Towers has more in common with Townsville-Thuringowa area as that is their main supply base and port, and makes more community of interest sense to look at boundary changes between these
areas. Cook has more in common with the western parts of the former Mareeba Shire and adding these Tablelands areas to Cook while including all of Kuranda within the Tablelands would make more community of interest sense than the proposed changes. It would be best to retain the southern part of the Tablelands in the Tablelands seat.

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21st June 2008
Dear Commissioners,

I write to comment on the May 2008 Report to the proposed redistribution of state boundaries on two matters.

**Proposed boundaries for the Bundamba Electorate**

I commend the Commission on its decision to propose that Springfield and Springfield Lakes form the Eastern boundary of the Bundamba electorate. It appears both practical and appropriate to have the proposed Eastern boundary of the electorate to be consistent with the Eastern boundary of its Municipal Council boundary, that being the City of Ipswich.

In addition, it is essential that suburbs such as Springfield and Springfield Lakes remain in the Bundamba electorate, due to the close proximity to neighbouring suburbs within the electorate (such as Goodna and Redbank Plains), coupled with potential isolation if moved into the neighbouring Inala electorate.

**Electorate names**

I note in the Commission’s report that the Western boundary of the Bundamba electorate has changed quite significantly to the point that the suburb of Bundamba itself is predominantly represented by the neighbouring electorate of Ipswich.

Moreover, the suburb of Bundamba would appear to form less than 10 per cent of the Bundamba electorate.

I acknowledge the Commission’s unfettered discretion to naming electorates and also note that the suburb of Bundamba is still represented in the Bundamba electorate (albeit a small percentage). However, I draw the Commission’s attention to its previous policy position of renaming a district where a significant change to electoral boundaries meant that an existing name was no longer relevant to a district.
I am referring to the 1999 Redistribution Commission policy position that a district should not be named after a town or suburb unless the whole, or a substantial part, of a town or suburb was contained within the electoral district.

It would appear that the suburb of Bundamba falls within this category for review.

To this end, I respectfully request that the Commission consider its previous policy position against the current formation of the Bundamba electorate. I doing so, I suggest a change of name to the electorate to reflect the greater population of its constituency is warranted.

I provide three potential names for renaming the Bundamba electorate below:

1. Ipswich East — this option is consistent with the neighbouring electorates in Ipswich region, namely Ipswich West and Ipswich. This option would ensure that all constituents in the Eastern suburbs of Ipswich have a sense of affiliation to their electorate. This would also give Ipswich a strong sense of representation in the Queensland Parliament.

2. Collingwood Park — is a significant population within the electorate and is geographically central. Without pre-empting the outcomes of any future redistribution, it could be quite safely be viewed that Collingwood Park would still form a significant part of any future electorate in the area.

3. Redbank — too is similar in geographical alignment in the electorate as Collingwood Park. The reason for my suggestion of Redbank is the long standing history the suburb has in the Ipswich community, in particular the railways, which significantly influenced the prosperity of Ipswich.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the report.

Yours sincerely

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To whom it may concern

My name is Peter Jeffrey Monsforth and I reside at unit 30/127 Hall Road Springfield.

As a member of the Springfield community for almost twenty years, I would like to take this opportunity to formally lodge my objection to the proposed redistribution to the boundaries of the State seat of Springfield.

One of the main reasons for my objection, and one I have discussed with many other Springfield locals, is that, feeling strongly about the betterment of the environment and recycling in this particular instance, I feel it would be appropriate to make some minor adjustments to the south-eastern electoral boundaries, in order to allow the Logan Recycling Centre to remain in and under the control of the Logan City Council, but going further, having it domiciled within the State seat of Springfield, I feel there would be a much greater level of co-operation between the Logan based State seat of Springfield and the operating authority, that being the Logan City Council, rather than the Redland Shire Council based State seat of Redlands, particularly when the recycling centre just falls outside the proposed boundaries, hence, requiring only a small adjustment to the boundaries.

To achieve this important improvement in the future operation of the Logan Recycling Centre, I would formally propose that the south-eastern electoral district boundaries for the seat of Springfield be moved marginally east, to enable them to be harmonized with the current eastern boundary of the Logan City Council.

Thank you for this opportunity to make, what I believe would be a marginal, yet crucial adjustment to the redistribution, to bring about a future improvement in the quality of life in Logan in general, and Springfield in particular, due to the maximization in the operation of the Logan Recycling Centre.

If you require any further feedback, please feel free to make contact with me.

Kindest regards,

Peter Monsforth

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Dear Sir,

I write to express my concern regarding the proposed changes to the Fitzroy Shire and specifically to the "jumping in" of Mt Morgan, Bouldercombe & Westwood areas to the Mirani Shire.

We ask this be reviewed and Mt Morgan, Bouldercombe and Westwood be placed in with shires in which they share a common local government connection as well as a sense of community. Residents in these communities share a common bond or sense of community with the further outreaches of Mirani and in fact aren't even in the same communication boundaries as this electorate i.e. We receive different local newspapers and television news casts. This means disseminating information through the entire electorate will be bothersome and fraught with danger and miscommunication.

It seems ridiculous that constituents in these electorates traverse through 2 other electorates to speak to our likely potential future member.

We seriously ask that this decision be reversed and that the voters in Mt Morgan, Bouldercombe and Westwood be able to remain in an electorate that best suits the geographic spread of the area. It is ludicrous to assume that our representative be able to understand and communicate with us effectively given such a broad expanse of geographic coverage, especially with sitting members less than an hour away.

Your due consideration and attention to this matter is appreciated.

Schee and Kereyn Pegg

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20/06/2008

The Secretary
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Dear Secretary,

OBJECTION TO DRAFT REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SEATS

We take this opportunity to strongly object to the draft redistribution proposal made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission. In relation to the removal of the Seat of Tablelands and the resultant distribution of it into the electorates of Cook, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new seat of Macrossan.

By definition Tablelands electorate is part of the wet tropics area. We consider to divide this is irresponsible in environmental integrity as well as creating a dislocation of the historical, geographical and horticultural identity of the region.
The existing Hinchinbrook electorate does not include areas of expected significant population growth, apart from some tourist-related increases in the locality of Mission Beach in the northern sector and some of the northern fringes of Thuringowa.

This is based on enrolments in the 2006 Statistical Return along with booth numbers and Declared and Pre-poll vote percentages from the same publication for the existing seats it is proposed to retain. It also relies on the area weighting for the seat of Cook.

It uses the proposed enrolment for Macrossan as outlined in the BCQ Proposed Queensland Electoral Districts Report of May 2003.

We believe this creates seats with very even enrolments and avoids the difficulty posed by your proposed redistribution by specifically retaining the seat of Tablelands which is an existing, cohesive area.

It achieves this by dividing Hinchinbrook along the line of the Cardwell Range, with the area south being allocated to Macrossan and the area north of the Cardwell Range to Mulgrave, with resultant minor changes to the electorates of Cairns, Barron River, Cook and Tablelands to ensure balance.

We proposed new boundaries for Macrossan are unlikely to exceed the 100,000 square kilometres limit so no weighting has been included in the proposed total enrolment for Macrossan.

We submit the proposed redistribution of Tablelands, Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new Macrossan Electorates for your consideration as follows:

**Tablelands (24355 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Kuranda Booth from Cook, Kuranda Booth from Barron River and South Johnstone, Mena Creek, Silkwood and Murdoo Booths from Hinchinbrook. Incorporating appropriate Declared and Pre-poll votes provides a total enrolment of 27,546.

**Cook (21,008, weighted 24,764 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Trinity Beach Booth, with Declared and Pre-poll percentages.

Loses Kuranda Booth and Declared and Pre-poll Percentages to Tablelands to provide a total enrolment of 23,407.
Barron River (27,629 enrolment 2006)
Acquires Edge Hill, Whitfield, North Cairns and West Cairns Booths and
Declared and Pre poll percentages from Cairns.
Loses Trinity Beach Booth and Declared and Pre poll percentages to
Cook and Kuranda Booth and Declared and Pre poll percentages to
Tablelands to give a total enrolment of: 28,036

Cairns (25,720 enrolment 2006)
Acquires Woree, Bayview Gardens, White Rock and Edmonton Booths
and Declared and Pre poll percentages from Mulgrave.
Loses Edge Hill, Whitfield, North Cairns and West Cairns Booths and
Declared and Pre poll percentages to Barron River to give a total
enrolment of: 27,161

Mulgrave (26,878 enrolment 2006)
Acquires Innisfail, Mourilyan, Moresby, El Arish, Feluga, Tully, Tully
Red Cross Centre, Lower Tully, Kurrumine, Mission Beach, Mission
Beach South, Murray Upper, Kennedy and Cardwell Booths and
Declared and Pre poll percentages from Hinchinbrook.
Loses Woree, Bayview Gardens, White Rock and Edmonton Booths and
Declared and Pre poll percentages to Cairns to give a total enrolment of:
27,138

Hinchinbrook (22,594 enrolment 2006)
Divided along the former Local Government boundaries between
Hinchinbrook and Cardwell Shires, which also aligns along the major
geographical feature of the Cardwell Range.
Areas north (former Cardwell Shire) will become part of Mulgrave. Areas
south of the Range to become part of proposed Macrossan which already
abuts the Townsville/Thuringowa urban area. This also aligns the north
and south of Hinchinbrook with each area’s relevant commercial, medial
and economic centres to Cairns and Townsville.
Loses Innisfail, Mourilyan, Moresby, El Arish, Feluga, Tully, Tully Red
Cross Centre, Lower Tully, Kurrumine, Mission Beach, Mission Beach
South, Murray Upper, Kennedy and Cardwell Booths and Declared and Prepol 7 percentages to Mulgrave.

Loses Abergowrie, Long Pocket, Lucinda, Macknade, Halifax, Trebonne, Ingham, Ingham Hospital, Victoria Estate, Toobanna, Forrest Beach, Bambaroo, Rollingstone, Bluewater, Deeragun and Northern Beaches Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to proposed Macrossan to give enrolment of: 0

Macrossan (28,037 proposed enrolment, FCQ Report)
Acquires Abergowrie, Long Pocket, Lucinda, Macknade, Halifax, Trebonne, Ingham, Ingham Hospital, Victoria Estate, Toobanna, Forrest Beach, Bambaroo, Rollingstone, Bluewater, Deeragun and Northern Beaches Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Hinchenbrook.

Loses Atherton, Atherton North, Butchers Creek, Dimbulah, Evelyn Central, Herberton, Innis Hot Springs, Kairi, Malanda, Millaa Millaa, Mount Garnet, Mutchilba, Ravenshoe, Tolga, Upper Barron, Walkamin, Wondai and Yungaburra Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages to Tablelands to give total enrolment of: 28,918

We strongly object to the proposals for North and Far North Queensland as made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission, as we believe they do not take into consideration the seats which are increasing in population as opposed to those which are decreasing. It does not recognise the weak or even negative growth along areas of the coast.

It also fails to recognise major planning issues and directions such as those described earlier in this objection, in particular the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan.

We enclose for the Commission's information indicative maps of my proposed realignments of relevant North and Far Northern boundaries.

We urge the Commission to reconsider their current proposed redistribution and its impact on the North and Far North electorates.

We submit that this objection meets all of the relevant requirements including numerical, which must be taken into account.
We believe that it is important that this review is conducted fairly and independently as encapsulated by the Queensland Electoral Act 1992.

The current redistribution quota has been set at 29,081 (plus or minus 10 per cent 26,173 to 31,989). Electorates of more than 100,000 square kilometres attract “weighting” of 2% of the area of the electorate.

Firstly we object on the basis that the growth projections used by the Commission appear at odds with projections used in the recently released Draft Regional Plan 2025 which appear to show an increase in voters of approximately 60,000 across the region in coming years.

Additionally Section 46 (1-2) of the Electoral Act 1992 outlines matters the Redistribution Commission should consider including, 46(1) (a-d), the issue of “community of interest” and related geographical matters while 46 (1)e deals with handling population trends within the State.

We believe the issue of “community of interest” must be given careful consideration and due weight by the Commission. There is a wide array of indicators as to what constitutes a community of interest.

We submit that the first such indicator in regard to the Seat of Tablelands is the intense interest and participation by electors in this redistribution process and the fact that half of all submissions made in the previous stage were from Tablelands is an indication in itself of the area’s strong sense of identity.

Further road linkages, school catchments, geographic features, local government boundaries, traditional connections, regional sporting contests, shared industries and so on are all clear indicators.

Community groups including progress associations, service clubs and so on should be considered, such as the co-operation between Atherton and Mareeba Rotary Clubs to host the FNQ Field Days, yet another indication of the connections between regional centres on Tablelands.

The distribution and alignment of government services are another set of indicators that should be given strong weight. The entire seat of Tablelands is within the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. All Main roads in the seat fall under the ambit of the Cairns office of the Department of Main Roads. State Schools are managed through Johnstone office of the Department of Education. The Department of
Child Safety, Police, Fire, Ambulance and other Government services on Tablelands are all managed through regional offices in Cairns.

A State Member's primary role is to represent constituents in dealings with State Government agencies. It is clear that the closer the alignment between State Electorate boundaries and State Government service provision districts, the more effective a Member can be on behalf of constituents.

State planning, development and management documents and strategies, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan, the Barron Water Resource Plan and Local Government amalgamation process should all be considered to ensure that existing and ongoing definitions of communities already entrenched in such documents, plans and strategies are not invalidated or ignored by the Commission.

In the seat of Tablelands, and across all of Far North Queensland, roads provide the arteries for communities. There are major road connections between Tablelands and Cairns including the Rex Range Road, Kuranda Range Road, Gillies Highway and Palmerston Highway. There is only one direct road connection into Cook, and one into the proposed seat of Macrossan and in both of those cases, they are narrow, remote and a barrier to community interaction.

We submit that enrolment growth estimates used by the FCQ appear not to reflect the expectations contained within Queensland Government planning documents, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan only recently released.

We draw the Redistribution Commission's attention to the fact Far North Queensland has the second highest growth rate in Queensland after the South East. In particular the expected growth in voters will, we believe, see many, if not all, Far North seats exceed the margin of tolerance well before the due date for the next redistribution.

The Tablelands has already experienced significant growth and is expected to be one of the growth areas of the Far North in the immediate future.
Therefore we submit that the elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands, as described in the Queensland Redistribution Commission's Report on Proposed Electoral Districts is severely flawed.

The Commission has chosen to take all of the seats that needed to be eliminated from the area it defined as the "Intermediate" zone.

We submit that it is far more equitable to include the Coastal Zone in the area from which seats could be removed rather than quarantining it from this process.

This is especially so as the expected impacts of climate change will be most felt on the coast with the expected result over the longer term of falling populations as electors move away from increasingly at-risk coastal areas.

The expected impact of global warming is already being taken into consideration in documents such as the FNQ Draft 2025 Development Plan which states (P19): "In addition, the coastal plain becomes less desirable due to climate change impacts such as increased temperature, increased flooding, more severe cyclones and sea level rise'.

This Draft 2025 Plan also clearly identifies the area of the Tablelands Electorate as being firmly within Far North Queensland as opposed to North Queensland.

The proposed Macrossan redistribution which includes the Tablelands electorate south of the Walsh River fractures this area and separates it from its traditional linkages. It forces this part of the existing Tablelands Electorate into the new seat of Macrossan with which it has NO shared community of interest. The nearest town is Charters Towers which is five hours drive away.

The Charters Towers section of Macrossan does have strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other seats in the Northern area. The southern section of the Seat of Hinchinbrook also has strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other northern electorates.

We submit that the existing Seat of Tablelands is a cohesive area, demonstrated not only in the forced amalgamation of its Local Governments but in a wide range of Government documents ranging
from the Barron Water Resource Plan which demonstrates that the majority of the seat is part of a single catchment and irrigation area and is directly linked to Cairns, to the FNQ Draft Regional Plan 2025, demonstrating how the area is cohesive in areas ranging from environmental planning to transport links, from industry to climatic challenges.

The FNQ 2025 Draft Plan also predicts growth of approximately 100,000 people in Far North Queensland which converts approximately to 60,000 additional voters.

This growth will place all of the existing seats (Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave and Tablelands) well above the new quota figure in the coming years. However Hinchinbrook’s weakened prospects are demonstrated under your redistribution where it remains so far below quota.

Public Health services are managed by the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. The Tablelands regional identity is clearly recognised by every other branch of government.

We submit that legislation allowing the Commission to give what weight it chooses to such matters as “community of interest” should NOT mean it gives no weight at all to those matters.

We submit that the redistribution as proposed will NOT provide equitable, democratic representation in anything other than the coarsest, most rudimentary mathematical definition to many electors in Far North and Northern Queensland.

We submit that the proposed elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands and the division of its constituents between three other seats denies those constituents Natural Justice, especially as they have recently lost their traditional local government representation on the basis they are a single, cohesive area.

However, if it is the Commission’s position that there is no option but to remove a seat from North and Far North Queensland, We proposed the area of Hinchinbrook south of the Cardwell Range become part of Macrossan, and the area north of the Cardwell Range become part of Mulgrave.
The existing Hinchinbrook Electorate does not include areas of expected significant population growth, apart from some tourist-related increases in the locality of Mission Beach in the northern sector and some of the northern fringes of Thuringowa.

This is based on enrolments in the 2006 Statistical Return along with booth numbers and Declared and Pre-poll vote percentages from the same publication for the existing seats it is proposed to retain. It also relies on the area weighting for the seat of Cook.

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We believe this creates seats with very even enrolments and avoids the difficulty posed by your proposed redistribution by specifically retaining the seat of Tablelands which is an existing, cohesive area.

It achieves this by dividing Hinchinbrook along the line of the Cardwell Range, with the area south being allocated to Macrossan and the area north of the Cardwell Range to Mulgrave, with resultant minor changes to the electorates of Cairns, Barron River, Cook and Tablelands to ensure balance.

Our proposed new boundaries for Macrossan are unlikely to exceed the 100,000 square kilometres limit so no weighting has been included in the proposed total enrolment for Macrossan.

We submit the proposed redistribution of Tablelands, Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new Macrossan Electorates for your consideration as follows:

**Tablelands (243,55 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Kuranda Booth from Cook, Kuranda Booth from Barron River and South Johnstone, Mena Creek, Silkwood and Mundoolooma Booths from Hinchinbrook. Incorporating appropriate Declared and Pre-poll votes provides a total enrolment of: 27,846.

**Cook (21,008, weighted 24,764 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Trinity Beach Booth, with Declared and Pre-poll percentages.

**Loses Kuranda Booth and Declared and Pre-poll Percentages to Tablelands to provide a total enrolment of: 28,407**
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It achieves this by dividing Hinchinbrook along the line of the Cardwell Range, with the area south being allocated to Macrossan and the area north of the Cardwell Range to Mulgrave, with resultant minor changes to the electorates of Cairns, Barron River, Cook and Tablelands to ensure balance.

My proposed new boundaries for Macrossan are unlikely to exceed the 100,000 square kilometres limit so no weighting has been included in the proposed total enrolment for Macrossan.

I submit the proposed redistribution of Tablelands, Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new Macrossan Electorates for your consideration as follows:

**Tablelands (24355 enrolment 2006)**
Acquires Kuranda Booth from Cook, Kuranda Booth from Barron River and South Johnstone, Mena Creek, Silkwood and Mundoo Booths from Hinchinbrook. Incorporating appropriate Declared and Prepoll votes provides a total enrolment of: 27,846.

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Acquires Trinity Beach Booth, with Declared and Prepoll percentages.

**Loses Kuranda Booth and Declared and Prepoll Percentages to Tablelands to provide a total enrolment of: 28,407**

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Acquires Innisfail, Mourilyan, Moreeby, El Arish, Faluga, Tully, Tully Red Cross Centre, Lower Tully, Kurrimine, Mission Beach, Mission Beach South, Murray Upper, Kennedy and Cardwell Booths and Declared and Prepoll percentages from Hinchinbrook.

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Divided along the former Local Government boundaries between Hinchinbrook and Cardwell Shires, which also aligns along the major geographical feature of the Cardwell Range.
Areas north (former Cardwell Shire) will become part of Mulgrave. Areas south of the Range to become part of proposed Macrossan which already abuts the Townsville/Thuringowa urban area. This also aligns the north and south of Hinchinbrook with each area's relevant commercial, medical and economic centres i.e Cairns and Townsville.

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**Macrossan (28,037 proposed enrolment, ECQ Report)**

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I strongly object to the proposals for North and Far North Queensland as made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission, as I believe they do not take into consideration the seats which are increasing in population as opposed to those which are decreasing. It does not recognise the weak or even negative growth along areas of the coast.

It also fails to recognise major planning issues and directions such as those described earlier in this objection, in particular the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan.

I enclose for the Commission's information indicative maps of my proposed realignments of relevant North and Far Northern boundaries.

I urge the Commission to reconsider their current proposed redistribution and its impact on the North and Far North electorates, in the interest of good governance and fair representation.

I submit that this objection meets all of the relevant requirements including numerical, which must be taken into account.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Wise

Qld. State Committee Member
The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
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Brisbane Q 4001

Dear Secretary,

OBSIDIAN TO DRAFT REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SEATS

I take this opportunity to strongly object to the draft redistribution proposal made by the Queensland Redistribution Commission. In relation to the removal of the Seat of Tablelands and the resultant distribution of it into the electorates of Cook, Hinchinbrook and the proposed new seat of Macrossan.

By definition Tablelands electorate is part of the wet tropics area. We consider to divide this is irresponsible in environmental integrity as well as creating a dislocation of the historical, geographical and horticultural identity of the region.

I believe that it is important that this review is conducted fairly and independently as encapsulated by the Queensland Electoral Act 1992.

The current redistribution quota has been set at 29,081 (plus or minus 10 per cent 26,173 to 31,989). Electorates of more than 100,000 square kilometres attract “weighting” of 2% of the area of the electorate.

Firstly I object on the basis that the growth projections used by the Commission appear at odds with projections used in the recently released Draft Regional Plan 2025 which appear to show an increase in voters of approximately 60,000 across the region in coming years.
Additionally Section 46 (1-2) of the Electoral Act 1992 outlines matters the Redistribution Commission should consider including, 46(1) (a-d), the issue of "community of interest" and related geographical matters while 46 (1)(e) deals with handling population trends within the State.

I believe the issue of "community of interest" must be given careful consideration and due weight by the Commission. There is a wide array of indicators as to what constitutes a community of interest.

I submit that the first such indicator in regard to the Seat of Tablelands is the intense interest and participation by electors in this redistribution process and the fact that half of all submissions made in the previous stage were from Tablelands is an indication in itself of the area's strong sense of identity.

Further road linkages, school catchments, geographic features, local government boundaries, traditional connections, regional sporting contests, shared industries and so on are all clear indicators.

Community groups including progress associations, service clubs and so on should be considered, such as the co-operation between Atherton and Mareeba Rotary Clubs to host the FNQ Field Days, yet another indication of the connections between regional centres on Tablelands.

The distribution and alignment of government services are another set of indicators that should be given strong weight. The entire seat of Tablelands is within the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. All Main roads in the seat fall under the ambit of the Cairns office of the Department of Main Roads. State Schools are managed through Johnstone office of the Department of Education. The Department of Child Safety, Police, Fire, Ambulance and other Government services on Tablelands are all managed through regional offices in Cairns.

A State Members primary role is to represent constituents in dealings with State Government agencies. It is clear that the closer the alignment between State Electorate boundaries and State Government service provision districts, the more effective a Member can be on behalf of constituents.
State planning, development and management documents and strategies, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan, the Barron Water Resource Plan and Local Government amalgamation process should all be considered to ensure that existing and ongoing definitions of communities already entrenched in such documents, plans and strategies are not invalidated or ignored by the Commission.

In the seat of Tablelands, and across all of Far North Queensland, roads provide the arteries for communities. There are major road connections between Tablelands and Cairns including the Rex Range Road, Kuranda Range Road, Gillies Highway and Palmerston Highway. There is only one direct road connection into Cook, and one into the proposed seat of Macrossan and in both of those cases, they are narrow, remote and a barrier to community interaction.

I submit that enrolment growth estimates used by the ECQ appear not to reflect the expectations contained within Queensland Government planning documents, such as the Far North Queensland Draft 2025 Regional Plan only recently released.

I draw the Redistribution Commission’s attention to the fact Far North Queensland has the second highest growth rate in Queensland after the South East. In particular the expected growth in voters will, I believe, see many, if not all, Far Northern seats exceed the margin of tolerance well before the due date for the next redistribution.

The Tablelands has already experienced significant growth and is expected to be one of the growth areas of the Far North in the immediate future.

Therefore I submit that the elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands, as described in the Queensland Redistribution Commission’s Report on Proposed Electoral Districts is severely flawed.

The Commission has chosen to take all of the seats that needed to be eliminated from the area it defined as the “Intermediate” zone.

I submit that it is far more equitable to include the Coastal Zone in the area from which seats could be removed rather than quarantining it from this process.
This is especially so as the expected impacts of climate change will be most felt on the coast with the expected result over the longer term of falling populations as electors move away from increasingly at-risk coastal areas.

The expected impact of global warming is already being taken into consideration in documents such as the FNQ Draft 2025 Development Plan which states (P19): “In addition, the coastal plain becomes less desirable due to climate change impacts such as increased temperature, increased flooding, more severe cyclones and sea level rise”.

This Draft 2025 Plan also clearly identifies the area of the Tablelands Electorate as being firmly within Far North Queensland as opposed to North Queensland.

The proposed Macrossan redistribution which includes the Tablelands electorate south of the Walsh River fractures this area and separates it from its traditional linkages. It forces this part of the existing Tablelands Electorate into the new seat of Macrossan with which it has NO shared community of interest. The nearest town is Charters Towers which is five hours drive away.

The Charters Towers section of Macrossan does have strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other seats in the Northern area. The southern section of the Seat of Hinchinbrook also has strong links to Townsville/Thuringowa and other northern electorates.

I submit that the existing Seat of Tablelands is a cohesive area, demonstrated not only in the forced amalgamation of its Local Governments but in a wide range of Government documents ranging from the Barron Water Resource Plan which demonstrates that the majority of the seat is part of a single catchment and irrigation area and is directly linked to Cairns, to the FNQ Draft Regional Plan 2025, demonstrating how the area is cohesive in areas ranging from environmental planning to transport links, from industry to climatic challenges.

The FNQ 2025 Draft Plan also predicts growth of approximately 100,000 people in Far North Queensland which converts approximately to 60,000 additional voters.
This growth will place all of the existing seats (Cook, Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave and Tablelands) well above the new quota figure in the coming years. However, Hinchinbrook’s weakened prospects are demonstrated under your redistribution where it remains so far below quota.

Public Health services are managed by the Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District. The Tablelands regional identity is clearly recognised by every other branch of government.

I submit that legislation allowing the Commission to give what weight it chooses to such matters as “community of interest” should NOT mean it gives no weight at all to those matters.

I submit that the redistribution as proposed will NOT provide equitable, democratic representation in anything other than the coarsest, most rudimentary mathematical definition to many electors in Far North and Northern Queensland.

I submit that the proposed elimination of the State Seat of Tablelands and the division of its constituents between three other seats denies those constituents Natural Justice, especially as they have recently lost their traditional local government representation on the basis they are a single, cohesive area.

However, if it is the Commission’s position that there is no option but to remove a seat from North and Far North Queensland, I proposed the area of Hinchinbrook south of the Cardwell Range become part of Macrossan, and the area north of the Cardwell Range become part of Mulgrave.

The existing Hinchinbrook Electorate does not include areas of expected significant population growth, apart from some tourist-related increases in the locality of Mission Beach in the northern sector and some of the northern fringes of Thuringowa.

My submission provides a more equitable, just and reasonable result for North and Far North Queensland.

This is based on enrolments in the 2006 Statistical Return along with both numbers and Declared and Propoll vote percentages from the same publication for the existing seats it is proposed to retain. It also relies on the area weighting for the seat of Cook.
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Mackay (23.037 proposed enrolment, ECQ Report)
Acquires Abergowrie, Long Pocket, Lucinda, Macknade, Halifax, Crowdy, Ingham, Ingham Hospital, Victoria Estate, Toohanna, Forrest Beach, Barcaldine, Rolleston, Bluewater, Dees and Northern Beaches Booths and Declared and Proposed percentages from Hinchinbrook.

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I submit that this objection meets all of the relevant requirements including numerical, which must be taken into account.

Yours faithfully

Don Woodford

Qld. State Committee Member
To the Queensland Commission,

**OBJECTION TO PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION OF QLD ELECTORAL DISTRICTS**

I am writing to express my objection to redistributing Palmwoods, Eudlo and Chevallum from the Nicklin electorate to the Glasshouse electorate. The Nicklin electorate was named after Sir Francis Nicklin, a former Premier of this state who was a long time resident of Palmwoods. To take Palmwoods and surrounding districts out of the electorate would be like taking vegemite out of Australia. I would like the Queensland Electoral Commission to show some recognition and respect of the historical links of Palmwoods to the Nicklin electorate and find an alternative proposal.

I run my business from our home in Palmwoods and use many other small business services in the surrounding districts. I have never had anything to do with businesses or people in the Glasshouse electorate and find your proposal nothing other than crazy and divisive. The interaction between communities in the Nicklin electorate is clearly evident to anyone really in the know. If this proposal goes ahead it would be due to complete disregard of people's opinions and a failure to investigate the decision fully. Whoever is elected to represent this area would be faced with enormous challenges - to start with how would they base their office.

I live in Palmwoods, my children play sport in Nambour and Woombye. I buy groceries in Nambour, my accountant is in Chevallum, I go to the Palmwoods pub, I buy fruit and veg at Eudlo, my children attended primary school at Chevallum, I buy meat in Woombye, my truck is serviced in Palmwoods, my doctor is in Nambour, I buy bread in Palmwoods and have no connection with the glasshouse electorate what so ever. I think it would be a grave mistake to allow this proposal to go ahead and hope you will take a serious look at the need to respect and value the people's opinion. The Commission should value democracy and show a willingness to co-operate and serve the people in Queensland.

Greg Brown
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Mob 0417721630
From: Viv Blowers [mailto:blowersv@linkt.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 23 June 2008 1:27 PM
To: ECQ User
Subject: Electorate changes.

As residents of over forty years in Palmwoods, the home town of the late Sir Francis Nicklin, we strongly object to our Nicklin electorate being amalgamated with glass house with whom we have little community interest in, and should not be entertained. Such a proposal smells of political interference and big brother tactics featuring more and more in our society.

U V. & D. J. Blowers. Jubilee Drive, Palmwoods.
From: Ross and Sam Martyn [mailto:smartyn@csu.edu.au]
Sent: Monday, 23 June 2008 1:26 PM
To: ECQ User
Subject: Electorate boundaries objection

To whom it may concern:

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced in the redistribution of electorates. Clermont as part of the former Belyando Shire and current Isaac Regional Council will no longer be a part of the newly created Macrossan electorate. However the surrounding communities of Moranbah, Belyando Crossing and Kilcloonin will remain within the Macrossan electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two major centres alongside Moranbah within the former Belyando Shire. Both communities remain within the one shire and local government administration and resources are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional communities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grain and beef industries.

While it is understood that the numerical requirement is the most important factor when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new mines. While mine management currently utilise fly in fly out methods to attract and retain employees, they are of the opinion that this is not ideal and are currently making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop extra land for additional housing.

The Isaac Regional Council is against the reliance and the development of single person quarters within the shire boundary, and so it is expected that the population will exceed all predictions. Council is also working hard to develop additional land for the provision of service industries and other low income workers necessary for the expansion of both towns.

The Charters Towers electorate has for many years had an electorate office in Clermont and the removal of Clermont from the electorate will result in a service loss to the town, and an employee of the State no longer with a position. The office in Clermont services the entire southern part of the electorate from Aramac and Mountyburg through to Moranbah. The Moranbah residents will no longer have access to an electorate office as the closest one will be in Charters Towers, more than five hours travel away while the Clermont residents will have to travel to Emerald to approach their local member.

Kilcoooin and the Belyando Crossing are physically closer to Clermont and residents within these communities traditionally use the services available within Clermont. The strongest link they have to a town is to Clermont. Removing Clermont from the electorate will further isolate the residents as the closest electorate office will be in Charters Towers.

I would therefore respectfully request that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to accommodate the retention of Clermont within the electorate of Charters Towers (to be known as Macrossan) so that we can continue to be serviced by the electorate office within the town and remain with the other towns that we share commonalities with.

Yours sincerely,

Ross and Sam Martyn
From: Gordon Kerkmum [mailto:gordon-kerkmum@harboursat.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 23 June 2008 12:53 AM
To: ECQ User
Subject: New Boundaries

Dear Sir / Madam,

Could you please clarify which State electorate we are now in since the splitting up of the Fitzroy electorate, as there is some confusion in this area. Our address is 1164, Capricorn Highway, Kalkapa. 4702.

If we are going to be included in an area to the north my husband and I would like to make a protest as all our services and trade come from Gracemere and Rockhampton and any other area, in our opinion, would not be able represent us adequately.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Kerkmum
For Gordon & Carol Kerkmum.
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To Whom It May Concern / Mr Cary Willsire

Re: Redistribution from Darling Downs to Nanango

I am writing in response to the proposed electoral redistribution as it relates to our area and the existing seat of Darling Downs and the proposal to reallocate us to Nanango. The current proposals remove my family from a significant portion of our community. The existing seat has represented a group of people with a lot of community in terms of where we associate, live, work, shop, children go to school, go to the doctor etc and the types of enterprises, issues and attitudes.

Beyond this district, Toowoomba, as a larger city just outside this boundary, is where most of the people in the district go for wider services and shopping etc. It is also a focus for our Federal electoral district although the rural constituents and urban residents of a town like Toowoomba have some different needs and issues.

The local government boundaries have recently been changed to include our area, and, much of the Darling Downs, in a Toowoomba Regional Council area. Although one could argue with aspects of this decision, it at least unites us with a town we actually visit, whereas we have had very little reason to visit Nanango or areas beyond Cooyar and Yarraman in that direction, in the decades we have lived here.

The aptly named Great Dividing Range is roughly aligned with the boundaries of catchments of communities in this area, particularly given that the extensive Bunya Mountains National Park is a significant barrier to community cohesion. People in our community don't tend to engage as much with the areas the other side of the range to the north and east of us. Whereas the existing division of Darling Downs far better represented the area of the community in which we, and other local people, conduct the bulk of our activities.

I am concerned that the proposed redistribution has two serious flaws in relation to our district. Firstly, it splits what is otherwise quite a cohesive community. Secondly it places us (and others around us) in an electorate that is very different from the area in which we live our lives and where we will likely have little access to our elected member and little in common with the bulk of the electorate. The particular bite taken out of the south-west of the proposed electorate (in towards Mt Mee/Bunyaville) is also rather curious when the areas to the west and east are folded into Nanango.

When you couple this with the local government redistribution and the social upheaval caused in our district by the closure of the Acland township and other community changes due to coal mining, as well as the stress of the drought, I am concerned about the impact of this proposal on the social fabric of our community.

I ask you to please give these matters serious consideration before finalising the electoral districts.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Dr Taiya Plant
June 30, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced to the redistribution of electorates. Clermont is part of the former Belinda electorate and current Isaac Regional Council and will no longer be a part of the newly created Mackay electorate. However, the surrounding local government areas of Millstream, Belinda, Crossing and Kilcoy will remain within the Mackay electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two large centres alongside Mount Isa within the former Belinda electorate, both communities witness within the one state and local government administration and councillors are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional communities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grazed and beef industries.

While it is understood that the government requirement of the most important factors when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should also be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new mines. While some management committee have managed to introduce and retain employees, they are of the opinion that the population is not目前已经 making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop parts for additional housing.

The Isaac Regional Council is against the inclusion and development of single person quarters within the electorate, and as it is expected that the population will exceed all predictions. Council is also working hard to develop additional land for the provision of service industries as other new industries may be necessary for the expansion of both towns.

The Clermont Town electorate has for many years had an electorate office in Clermont and the removal of Clermont from the electorate will result in a removal to the town and an employee of the electorate no longer with a position. The office in Clermont services the entire southern part of the electorate from Atherton and Murrumburrah through to Clermont. The Clermont residents will no longer have access to an electorate office as the closest one will be in Clermont Tower, more than five hours travel away. This Clermont residents will have to travel to Clermont to approach their local member.

Kilcoy and the Belinda Crossing are physically closer to Clermont and residents within these boundaries traditionally use the services available within Clermont. This removes them from the electorate and removes the residents as they choose electorate office will be in Clermont Tower.

I would therefore respectfully request that the proposed boundaries be reviewed to accommodate the addition of Clermont within the electorate of Clermont Tower (to be known as Mackay) so that we can continue to be serviced by the electorate office within the town and remain with the other towns that we share boundaries with.

Yours Sincerely,

Bronwyn Roberts
Belinda-Sydney-Calliope Field Officer
Central Highlands Regional Council Operations (CMHROC)
I wish to lodge the strongest possible objection to removing Palmwoods from the Nicklin electorate in your proposed boundary changes and placing Palmwoods in the Glasshouse electorate.

Palmwoods/Glenelg townships are both intertwined in many aspects—sporting, social and financial and work together in a close 'family' relationship.

Sir Francis Nicklin, after whom the electorate of Nicklin was named, would take grave issue if he knew his beloved Palmwoods, where he was based, was no longer in the Nicklin electorate.

It seems ridiculous to include Perumpan Springs, an highly affluent coastal area in the Nicklin electorate, at the expense of the hinterland towns such as Palmwoods.

Glasshouse is no more near the Palmwoods area. Palmwoods residents utilise the Ngurag/Emerald/Palmwoods area for all business and social activities.

I trust that you will give serious consideration to changing the proposed boundaries so that Palmwoods can continue to be part of the Nicklin electorate.

Yours sincerely,

Oliver Howard

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Palmwoods Progress Association Inc

P.O. Box 181, PALMWOODS 4555

23 June 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Secretary,

OBSERVATION TO PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION OF OLD ELECTORAL DISTRICTS

The Palmwoods Progress Association have reviewed the report on the Proposed Queensland Electoral Districts – May 2008 and we thank the Commission for the opportunity to lodge an objection on behalf of the Palmwoods community.

Our association objects to the proposed removal of Palmwoods from the district of Nicklin. The reasons for our objection according to the criteria set down in the report, are as follows:

- **Economic, Social, Regional and other interests within the district**

  Since pioneering days and certainly since the Nicklin electorate was established prior to the 1986 election, Palmwoods has had a close relationship with the towns of Eudlo, Woombey and Nambour. The relationships with these towns have been based on a number of factors such as:

  - **Economic** – Residents and businesses within Palmwoods conduct a majority of their business in the neighbouring towns of Woombey and Nambour. Likewise, Palmwoods relies on business from Eudlo, Woombey and Nambour. Nambour primarily provides the Palmwoods district with the majority of its needs including family shopping, health care, education, banking, emergency services and access to a vast array of other businesses and services.

  - **Social** – The Palmwoods, Eudlo, Woombey and Nambour communities have always had a strong social connection. Many small sporting, social and community organisations have amalgamated between the towns to strengthen their support. During the pioneering era, the communities socialised and mixed forming a community with strong family and friendship ties. Although many of our pioneers have since died, their descendants live on and continue to have cultural significance within our region today.

  - **Regional and other interests** – Because of similar terrain, and bordered by natural boundaries, the communities from Eudlo to Nambour grow up together sharing common interests. And today, many of our population choose to live in this region, as it continues to be a unique environment.

  - **Historical** – The district of Nicklin was named in honour of Sir Francis Nicklin prior to the 1986 election. As Sir Francis Nicklin was an active community member and long time resident of Palmwoods from 1919 until his death in 1978, the Palmwoods community consider Palmwoods to be the foundation point of the district of Nicklin. To lose this association with the district of Nicklin would certainly be a sad day in the
history of Palmwoods. Today, the name Nicklin takes pride of place in the town of Palmwoods by means of the following:

- Nicklin Road
- Nicklin Lane
- Sir Francis Nicklin Park
- Sir Francis Nicklin memorial clock
- Palmwoods State School – House of Nicklin

Communication and travel within the proposed electoral district:

Ever since the construction of the north coast rail line in the 1890's the towns of Eudlo, Palmwoods, Woombye and Nambour have had a strong association with each other. In the modern world of an environmentally aware public, the rail line is once again becoming a major conduit for commuting between our communities. The rail line is the only means of public transport for commuters travelling to/from Eudlo.

Under the proposed redistribution, a vast majority of Palmwoods residents will find that their homes will belong to the district of Glasshouse and the majority of their daily routine will be conducted in the district of Nicklin. As a majority of business and social interaction is with the towns of Woombye and Nambour, Palmwoods may well find that these towns which we rely on, to be under a different political influence. We consider this would be detrimental to our future relationships with our neighbouring towns.

Physical features of proposed district:

The communities of Eudlo, Palmwoods, Woombye and Nambour lie in a pocket of the Sunshine Coast hinterland, bordered by the Bruce Highway to the East, the Blackall Range to the West, the Mount Sippy Range to the South and the Nambour township to the North. These communities have always had, and always will have a sense of belonging to this particular part of the Sunshine Coast hinterland. And as such, these communities deserve to be classed as a collective community in its own right.

Boundaries of existing electoral districts:

The boundary of the existing district of Nicklin has until now quite adequately represented the hinterland interests of the Sunshine Coast. This included all the rail towns from Eudlo in the South to Yandina in the North. West of the Bruce Highway, the existing district of Nicklin shares common borders with the federal division of Fairfax.

The hinterland communities acknowledge the Bruce Highway as a distinct boundary from the coastal communities. As such, the existing district of Glasshouse includes the townships of Mooloolah, Landsborough and Beerwah. The Palmwoods Progress Association believes the current Eastern boundary of the Glasshouse district should remain as is, following the Bruce Highway from Glenview in the north to Beerwah in the south.

Demographic trends:

Over the last decade, Palmwoods has seen incredible growth to the point that the town is suffering a significant lack of infrastructure. Similar growth and its associated problems are also being experienced by our neighbours in Woombye and Nambour. As some of the critical infrastructure will need to be addressed by the state government in these communities, we see the need for Palmwoods to be aligned to Woombye and Nambour at state level.

Our association understands that this growth is a main reason for the Commission proposing Palmwoods moving into the Glasshouse district. Whilst this may be a valid point, our association finds it difficult to understand why communities like Palmwoods, Eudlo and Montville should be moved into Glasshouse, whilst at the same time removing communities like Mooloolah, Landsborough and Beerwah from Glasshouse especially considering these communities have a close association with the Glasshouse region. Surely, due to the
proximity of these towns to the rapidly expanding northward growth from Brisbane along the rail corridor, there will be significant population growth in these towns in the future.

We understand the matching of quotas in all districts is a very complex issue. The Palmwoods Progress Association believes the commission also need to understand that just adjusting the boundaries to suit the quotas should not be the primary concern. The way communities live and interact with each other is vital to their survival and the way they deal with rapid development whilst at the same time protecting their heritage.

Conclusion.
It is the view of the Palmwoods Progress Association that the Palmwoods, Eudlo and Montville communities should remain in the existing district of Nicklin, and we wish to register our objection to the proposed redistribution in our region. Our association sincerely hopes the commission will consider some of the points raised in this letter, before making a final determination on the redistribution of the districts of Nicklin and Glasshouse.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Richad Waldie
President
Palmwoods Progress Association Inc.
Dear Commission,

**Objection to Proposed Redistribution of QLD Electoral Districts**

I am writing to express my deep objection to your recommendation to remove Palmwoods, Eudlo and Chevallum from the Nicklin electorate to the Glasshouse electorate. The Nicklin electorate was named after Sir Francis Nicklin, a former premier of this state who was a long time resident of Palmwoods. To take Palmwoods and surrounding districts out of the electorate would be like taking the cheddar out of cheese. There are monuments, roads and the town clock all named in honour and memory of this much loved son of Palmwoods, and these tributes stand to remind us of our past and symbolise the historical link of Palmwoods to the Nicklin electorate. I realise it is a numbers game but surely with all the modern technology and skills the Queensland Electoral Commission has an alternative decision could be considered in recognition and respect of the historical links of Palmwoods to the Nicklin electorate.

I would like to invite whoever it is making this decision to come and stay at my place for a couple of days so I can show you some warm hinterland hospitality and demonstrate the strong community interaction between Palmwoods, Woombye, Chevallum and Eudlo. I would like to take you for a drive from my place in Palmwoods to the Glasshouse electorate via Chevallum and Eudlo and you will see the roads are very windy and similar to a goat track in parts (in fact some of them are dirt tracks). The roads alone do not host adequate interaction between Palmwoods and the Glasshouse electorate, and with the price of fuel I doubt anyone will want to take the long way via the highway to the Glasshouse electorate therefore I doubt Palmwoods Chevallum and Eudlo will ever be able to overcome these physical barriers.

I live in Palmwoods, my children play sport in Nambour and Woombye, I buy groceries in Nambour, our accountant is in Chevallum, I buy fruit and veg at Eudlo, my children attended primary school at Chevallum, I buy meat in Woombye, my car is serviced in Palmwoods, I go out for dinner in Woombye or Palmwoods, my
doctor is in Nambour. I buy bread in Palmwoods and I attend various community meetings in Palmwoods, Woombye, Eudlo and Nambour. PLEASE take note I have not once mentioned any dealings with the Glasshouse electorate - or Percian Springs...

I am very active in this community last year I helped to organise a major event (Bush Christmas in July) held in Nambour and hosted by the combined efforts of the Woombye Community and Business Association and Palmwoods Progress Association. The event raised almost $20,000 for local charities and months later the two groups combined again to host a free Christmas carols concert. Local schools Woombye and Palmwoods State schools, Suncoast Christian College (Woombye) performed for more than 1500 local people. We saw families from Nambour, Woombye, Eudlo, Chevallum, Forest Glen, Didillibah, Keil Mountain spread blankets out on the Woombye soccer fields to enjoy an evening of festive celebrations without costing a festive fortune. Early this year the same again as the Australia Day celebrations were held in Palmwoods then the Anzac Day service in Woombye was followed with a community breakfast. This is a continuation of how our pioneers lived interacting at both social and economical levels with the communities listed. This is the reality of life in the Nicklin electorate and if the redistribution goes ahead as you propose it would be sheer madness to act deviously without reasonable logic and I am sure the Commission has the capacity to make better decisions.

It is my hope the commission will respect and value the lifestyle of this electorate, and be extremely considerate of the need to consider the reality of the day to day lives of people in this electorate. Please contact me any time of day or night if you need any further information about my electorate.

Regards

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident of Eudlo whose grandparents first settled here in 1860. I attended primary school here in Eudlo and completed secondary school at Nambour State High School. I have always considered Nambour to be the centre of our district and conduct most of my business there.

My husband and I are greatly concerned to learn that Eudlo, Palmwoods, and Chevallum are to be removed from the Nicklin Electorate and placed in the Electorate of Glass House in the proposed electoral redistribution. We (and many of our neighbours) feel that we are part of the community which includes Palmwoods, Woombye, and Nambour.

I feel that we have a reasonable knowledge of the habits of the residents of Eudlo as my husband and I were licensees of the Eudlo Post Office for eight and a half years until November 2006 and are still in regular contact with many of our former customers. The majority of Eudlo residents would conduct business and shopping in our local area - particularly in Nambour. Our children attend local primary schools and secondary schools in the Nambour-Woombye area. Our medical needs are mostly satisfied in our local area with both public and private hospitals only 12km away. Since most of us do not conduct business or even join sporting teams in the Glass House-Caboolture area, we feel we have no particular affinity with that area.

Currently we are only 15 minutes drive to the office of our Member of Parliament who is always available when we need assistance. Although it has not been stated where the headquarters of the Glass House Electorate is to be, it seems likely to be Caboolture which would be a long way to travel on a busy road to meet the member for that area.

While this may seem a trivial observation, I have noticed (on my reading of the maps supplied on your website that Nicklin Rd, Palmwoods will no longer be in Nicklin Electorate. It does seem a shame that the area where Sir Francis Nicklin lived during most of his parliamentary life, will no longer be in the electorate named after him.

I would therefore request that consideration be given to the fact that Eudlo's community of interest is definitely in the Palmwoods, Woombye, and Nambour areas and not in the Glass House-Caboolture area. I do appreciate the opportunity to voice my concerns about the proposed changes to our electoral boundaries.

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23rd June 2008

TO: THE QUEENSLAND ELECTORAL COMMISSION

RE: PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE NICKLIN ELECTORATE BOUNDARIES

We are residents of the northern area of the Blackall Ranges in what is described in maps as Montville. We have found that being a resident of the Blackall Ranges has advantages and responsibilities we have never experienced anywhere else.

We are active members of many community groups and take a keen interest in local and state government policies and decisions. We are 'volunteers' in local and state funded environmentally focussed organisations.

We consider we live in a most unique area and like many other residents understand we have a duty to protect and care for it. Within that context we have forged strong ties with our nearest communities which geographically are 'labelled' Flaxton, Hunchy and Mapleton. We feel we are residents of the Blackall Range not merely of the small area designated 'Montville'.

It is on the strength of these strong community bonds that we wish to register our protest to the proposed boundary changes to the Nicklin electorate which we believe will disconnect an important 'community of interest'.

The Villages of Montville to Mapleton and surrounding districts have a long shared history being joined by farming, schooling, medical care, and family ties. They have been within the same local Government area and until recent amalgamations shared the same Division Councillor. They also have a long association with Nicklin whose electorate office is located in our 'major town centre' Nambour.

The most practical road access and the only public transport available connects to Nambour which is also our entry to Old Baffle. Nambour is the location of the nearest advanced medical consultation services for Range residents and the location of the most typically used hospitals. Practically all higher level banking, financial and legal services used by Range residents are Nambour based.
Long standing associations exist between residents of Montville, Flaxton, Hunchy and Mapleton. Our children share the State schools of Montville or Mapleton. Our aged and disabled are supported by the Blackall Range Care Cottage at Flaxton. Montville has our 'community run' gymnasium, library and bowls club. Montville has the Anglican and Uniting Churches and Masonic Lodge. Mapleton has the Pub and Montville the Soccer field.

Over many years residents of these areas have contributed by their membership to many 'Range-wide' clubs and associations. Community issues are addressed by the village associations of both Montville and Mapleton.

In the last 4 years residents combined successfully to fight the improper approval by Maroochyshire Council for the Links Golfcourse /Housing development proposed for Montville. It is doubtful this protest would have succeeded if our communities had not been so closely united and had the guidance and assistance of ONE Member of Parliament.

It was this cohesion and co-operation that put forward such a strong case to the State Government resulting in their decision to review and subsequently oppose the local Government decision.

Again both communities recently collaborated in their responses to the SEQ Regional Plan Review. With such closely shared interests and the support of the same ONE Member of Parliament such actions have greater strength and therefore more chance of securing positive outcomes for the community.

The very recent inclusion within the 'Iconic Places Queensland' legislation is further proof that this particular area of the Blackall Range has a distinct and unified entity which contributes to the significance of not just this particular area of the South East but to the whole of Queensland. Any severing of the ties between Montville and Mapleton will weaken the concept of Iconic Places Queensland for the Blackall Range.

Pragmatically the planning provisions within the SEQ Regional Plan and the reinforcement of these by the Iconic Places Qld legislation will ensure that the Blackall Range area within the Nicklin Electorate will never be subjected to large increases of population.

The topography and climate will further negate the economic feasibility of providing infrastructure to support a population explosion. Therefore the removal of the Montville, Flaxton and Hunchy from the Nicklin electorate cannot be justified on a population growth basis.
And it certainly cannot be justified on the grounds of providing efficient and effective Parliamentary representation to residents. We have a natural geographical association with the service town of Nambour where the Nicklin Electoral Office is placed.

The area of the Blackall Range described by Montville, Hunchy, Flaxton and Mapleton is recognised by both residents and State Parliament to be a unified and special "community of interest".

We believe that the divisive decision to excise Montville, Hunchy and Flaxton from the Nicklin Electorate has not been well thought through and we strongly urge you to reconsider this proposal.

Yours Sincerely

Pam Maegdefrau and Jim Cox
To whom it may concern,

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced in the redistribution of electorates. Clermont as part of the former Belyando Shire and current Isaac Regional Council will no longer be a part of the newly created Macrossan electorate. However the surrounding communities of Moranbah, Belyando Crossing and Kilcummin will remain within the Macrossan electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two major centres alongside Moranbah within the former Belyando Shire. Both communities remain within the one Shire and local government administration and resources are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional commonalities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grain and beef industries.

While it is understood that the numerical requirement is the most important factor when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new minds. While mine management currently utilise fly in fly out methods to attract and retain employees, they are of the opinion that this is not ideal and are currently making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop extra land for additional housing.

The Isaac Regional Council is against the reliance and the development of single person quarters within the Shire boundary, and so it is expected that the population will exceed all predictions. Council is also working hard to develop additional land for the provision of service industries and other low income workers necessary for the expansion of both towns.

The Charters Towers electorate has for many years had an electorate office in Clermont and the removal of Clermont from the electorate will result in a service loss to the town, and an employee of the state no longer with a position. The office in Clermont services the entire southern part of the electorate from Aramac and Mount Morgan through to Moranbah. The Moranbah residents will no longer have access to an electorate office as the closest one will be in Charters Towers, more than five hours travel away while the Clermont residents will have to travel to Emerald to approach their local member.

Kilcummin and the Belyando Crossing are physically closer to Clermont and residents within these communities traditionally used the services available within Clermont. The strongest link they have to a town is to Clermont. Removing Clermont from the electorate will further isolate the residents as their closest electorate office will be in Charters Towers.

I would therefore respectfully request that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to accommodate the retention of Clermont within the electorate of Charters Towers (to be known as Macrossan) so that we can continue to be serviced by the electorate office within the town and remain with the other towns that we share commonalities with.

Yours sincerely,
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Redistribution Submission: Nicklin
Communities of Interest
I note that the proposed electorate redistribution has cut Eudlo and Palmwoods from Nicklin and moved them into the Glass House Electorate. This to me is a clear cut case of moving these railway towns out of its own community of interest.

Proposed boundary changes would see Woombye remaining in Nicklin, the next townships of Eudlo and Palmwoods (on the railway line heading south) dropped into Glass House, and our next township of Mooballah (heading south) in another State electorate [Caloundra I believe].

While I understand that the Electoral Commission works of population pockets not communities, this carving up of population is one that divides old established communities.

I must note that Nicklin has dropped many rural and rural residential areas from the southern end of its boundary, while picking up an area which has no common bond with the current electorate. Peregian Springs, which is a new beach hinterland suburb, has no connection or community with the current rural residential Nicklin Electorate.

The Glass House Electorate could only be described as “No Man’s Land” - it has no heart, and currently the representative Member of Parliament is based in Caloundra - which has absolutely no community of interest with the Sunshine Coast hinterland. It is ludicrous to expect constituents to rely on State Members who have no interest or connection with their area.

I would ask that the ERO reinvestigate the small communities on the railway towns and ensure that we are aligned more appropriately within our community of interest. Ultimately, the best scenario would be to retain Eudlo and Palmwoods in our current Nicklin Electorate.

Boundary Boundaries:
Eudlo townships has been lobbed from one electorate to another at the last state redistribution and the last Federal redistribution.
At the last State redistribution our small community was moved into the electorate of Nicklin, now it is proposed we be moved back out. On a Federal level we have been changed from Fisher to Fairfax.
It would be preferable if we could retain our current home in Nicklin.

Nicklin Name:
Nicklin is named for the former politician and Queensland Premier Sir Francis (Frank) Nicklin. He lived in Nicklin Street at Palmwoods. I mention this because the redistribution will see this street carved from the Nicklin Electorate in the redistribution. I have to ask why the Nicklin Electorate would be called Nicklin following a redistribution which takes away the remaining significant historic reason for it being called Nicklin.
Reference to Queensland Electoral Commission to change boundaries for Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum.

I wish to comment on these proposed changes. I live in Palmwoods and travel to and through the other areas mentioned regularly on my way to work in Mount Coolum. It makes no sense to change the current electoral boundaries, as Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum's links to the Glass House electorate, and associated political policies and issues are not closely related enough to be relevant to residents of the Glass House. As such, factors to be addressed are not likely to be anomalous or unique separately and acted upon where needed.

Eudlo, Palmwoods and Chevallum have strong economic and social links with Nambour, Maroochydore and Maleny, and back up into the Hinterland so need to be closely associated and included in these areas.

Regards,
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Dear Commissioners,

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I am a Tablelands constituent and believe your proposal to divide this seat between Cook and a new seat of Macrossan is badly flawed. This is totally inconsistent with the findings of the Local Government Reform Commission which declared, despite strong objections, that the previous four shire councils should be amalgamated into one because this district had such a strong connection and identity.

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You also appear to ignore that Cairns is the service centre for this region and is the nexus for health, transport and communication links etc. These simply do not exist along the north-south alignment of Macrossan in particular.

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Yours sincerely,

Steve Jenkins
QRC/O
The Secretary
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Re: Proposed Springwood Electoral District

Dear Sir/Madam

I realise that the electorate of Springwood needed to enlarge its boundaries due to the variance under quota.

The commission has proposed to go north incorporating Rochedale South rather than east along the Logan City Council eastern boundary.

I object to this proposal and believe it would be in the best interests of people who live in Cornubia that if the Springwood electoral district followed the Logan City boundary in the East along Mount Cotton Road.

I understand the electorate had to expand somewhere. If the Commission's view is to include Rochedale South, why then is the block bounded by Underwood Road (south boundary), Rochedale Road (east), Priestdale Road (north) and the Pacific Motorway (west) not included in the proposal? This block should be included.

The Mansfield electorate does not need this area as new estates in Rochedale will be developed with increasing population over the next 1-3 years increasing Mansfield's enrolment.

In addition a dozen or so streets in the northern part of Cornubia have been left out of the proposed Springwood electorate. These residents have a much closer association with others at the end of their streets in the same suburb rather than those in suburbs far away in the Redland City Council area.

This is not common sense for a small part of Cornubia to be ignored, e.g. Some residents in Parkview Crescent will live in the proposed Springwood while those living in the eastern end of the street will live in the proposed Redlands.

I propose that CCD 3230001 (Cornubia Forest) be included in the Springwood electorate to address this situation. The boundary extend to West Mount Cotton Road then along California Creek Road to Beaulah Redland Bay Road.

An enrolment increase of only a few hundred residents with the benefit of the majority of Cornubia staying united.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

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JUSTIN KILLIN

[Signature]
23 June 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
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Dear Sir

The Central Highlands Regional Council wishes to acknowledge the hard work of the Commission in arriving at a proposed redistribution of the 89 State electorates of Queensland and the difficulty of endeavouring to make it fair and equitable for all the stakeholders involved.

As a stakeholder, the Central Highlands Regional Council requests that the Commission consider further changes to the proposed boundaries of the Gregory electorate. Council would like to see the whole of the Central Highlands Regional Council area included in the Gregory electorate.

The benefits to be gained from these further changes will include:

- The Council will have one state member to interact with;
- The residents of the Central Highlands Regional Council area will have one state member to contact with regarding issues they face;
- The constituency of the Central Highlands Regional Council will be more unified by being represented by one state member;
- The alleviation of a feeling of disenfranchisement that has arisen for some electors throughout not being able to influence the decisions of State Government and its agencies.

The Central Highlands Regional Council believes that the suggested changes could be achieved without going outside the statutory parameters.

The report on proposed Queensland state electoral boundaries indicates that part of the Central Highlands Regional Council including Dunbogan and Barcaldine currently in the Fulbright Electorate and part of Rolleston currently in the Gregory Electorate, will be included in Callide.

Assuming a generous enrolment of 1000 electors in the above and a generous additional area of 20,000 km² to be added to Gregory for the area component of the notional enrolment, the notional enrolment in Gregory would be 32,113 and 29,781 in Callide, well within the quota range of 32,516 and 26,664.

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Council believes that as a result of the recent amalgamation of four Shires into one Regional Council for better regional governance, having all of its residents in the one State electorate would complement the principles of regional government.

Yours faithfully,

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To: EQ User
Subject: QRCO.

To whom it may concern,

I wish to lodge an objection to the boundary changes recently announced in the redistribution of electorates. Clermont as part of the former Belyando Shire and current Isaac Regional Council will no longer be a part of the newly created Macrossan electorate. However, the surrounding communities of Moranbah, Belando Crossing and Kilcummin will remain within the Macrossan electorate.

The town of Clermont was one of two major centres alongside Moranbah within the former Belyando Shire. Both communities remain within the one shire and local government administration and resources are shared between the two centres. Both communities have economic, social and regional communities due to the current industries, notably the mining industry but also the grain and beef industries.

While it is understood that the numerical requirement is the most important factor when making changes to electoral boundaries, it should be noted that current population figures are less than accurate as both centres are in the midst of a mining boom which has seen the opening and development of new mines. While mine management currently utilise fly in fly out methods to attract and retain employees, they are of the opinion that this is not ideal and are currently making provisions along with the Isaac Regional Council to develop extra land for additional housing.

The Isaac Regional Council is against the reliance and the development of single person quarters within the shire boundary, and so it is expected that the population will exceed all predictions. Council is also working hard to develop additional land for the provision of service industries and other low income workers necessary for the expansion of both towns.

The Charters Towers electorate has for many years had an electorate office in Clermont and the removal of Clermont from the electorate will result in a service loss to the town, and an employee of the state no longer with a position. The office in Clermont services the entire southern part of the electorate from Aramac and Mt. Unkapang through to Moranbah. The Moranbah residents will no longer have access to an electorate office as the closest one will be in Charters Towers, more than five hours travel away while the Clermont residents will have to travel to Emerald to approach their local member.

Kilcummin and the Belyando Crossing are physically closer to Clermont and residents within these communities traditionally use the services available within Clermont. The strongest link they have to a town is to Clermont. Removing Clermont from the electorate will further isolate the residents as their closest electorate office will be in Charters Towers.

I would therefore respectfully request that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to accommodate the retention of Clermont within the electorate of Charters Towers (to be known as Macrossan) so that we can continue to be serviced by the electorate office within the town and remain with the other towns that we share commonalities with.

Yours sincerely

Dyan Hughes
Wentworth

Clermont 4721
The Queensland Redistribution Commission  
departments.qld.gov.au  

Dear Sir/Madam,

First we topped Adolf Beulac and his Council  
Amalgamation, then the 2023 plan to tighten the screws further, and now this boundary redistribution to complete the job.

There are many reasons why this should not take place. If the population of Charters Towers is dropping, lump it in with Townsville. After all, it is Townsville hinterland, just as the Atherton Tableland is Cairns hinterland. The people of the Tableland voted Rosa Lee Long in and she should be left there until voted out. This Labour State Government seems to have done away with democracy. As the last One Nation Member, and a very active one at that, I can understand that the Bligh Government would be keen to be rid of her. This Redistribution Plan is directly against the interests of the Tableland people and has all the trappings of a cheap gerrymander. This unique region should be left intact along with its democratically elected member.

Yours Faithfully,

A.J. Winton.
From: Richard McDonald [mailto:juno.au@unilink.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 23 June 2008 1:35 PM
To: Egg User
Cc: Ian Wiggings
Subject: QCC/V

Sir/Madam,

We are in receipt of the files for the changes to the electoral boundaries for the electoral seats of Mackin and Cleghornwell.

The new boundary, on the southern border, descends through the Malton, Montville road, just north of Flaxton. The splitting of the Blackall Range into different electorates is not acceptable to this association.

The recent amalgamation of councils, including the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, saw changes to the 6 old council divisions. Within the Sunshine Coast Regional Council we saw the Blackall Range split further north, to Flaxton, from south of Montville.

The Blackall Range north of Montville has recently been declared an Indigenous Reserve. This association was one of the groups applying for that nomination. The area north of Montville, which was formerly in Caloundra City's boundaries, will hopefully be incorporated with the northern end of the range with Indigic status, once a new town plan has been written for the area.

The unification of the Range would be better served if the total area south to Maleny, was incorporated into the electorate of Mackin.

We trust that the commission, in its judgement consider our proposal for the unification of the Blackall Range.

Yours sincerely,
Richard McDonald, President
Blackall Range Land Use Planning Assn. Inc.
P.O. Box 25, Maleny, 4552.
Dear Sirs,

We have just heard of the proposed transfer of the Palmwoods area from the Ninderry electorate to the Glass House electorate.

We believe this to be a retrograde step and wish to lodge our concern, with reasons which follow.

Yours faithfully,

K. J. O. P. Coe

Robert

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Qld Redistribution Commission

Dear Sir/Ms,

We wish to totally and emphatically object to the erasing of Fitzroy from the electoral divisions in Queensland.

Firstly we were misled into council amalgamations and now we have lost any hope of personal contact with our local member. Our federal member is no longer in close proximity either.

Democracy seemed to die when Labour took control of all governments. The original idea of Labour was a party that was for the people and by the people. All we experience now is bully boy tactics and any opinions we have are not even considered. Being ignored was disheartening but now we are ordered to jump in line or else some arrests will be made.

Jim Pearce our member for Fitzroy has been an amazing local member and has worked hard for all his constituents no matter what political affiliations they have. He would have to be the most visible of any local member in Queensland as he tries to share his time evenly around his electorate.

This is a totally backward step as it means less representation for each person as we are now moving into a huge electorate. Local Members are only human (I THINK ?) and can only share a set number of hours listening to problems. More people means most are never going to be heard. I thought WE elected members to take OUR THOUGHTS to parliament. How are they ever going to hear our thoughts!!!!!!!!!!

WE ARE TOTALLY AGAINST THE REMOVAL OF FITZROY FROM THE ELECTORAL AREA and would hope the commission can show some independent thinking and consider the unfairness of this situation.

Thank You (but we know this has been decided weeks ago and this is payment for the boys and a cover up)

Gordon and Judy Hanrahan
Bob Richardson
45 Riverstone Road
GORDONVALE, 4865

20th June 2008

Mr. Garry Wiltshire
Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
Locked Bag 3304
BRISBANE 4001

Fax No. (07) 3227 6478

Dear Garry

Please find enclosed by 'Objections' for the State Electoral Districts as proposed by the State Electoral Commission and advertised in various newspapers on Saturday 24th June 2008.

Should you have any queries please contact me by phone or fax on (07) 40 361 489.

Yours sincerely

R.J. Richardson
This 'Objection' covers the area I confined my 'Suggestions' and 'Comments on Suggestions' to that is the regional and rural areas of the State.

This 'Objection' is in two parts:

Part 1. A general 'Objection'.

Part 2. Specific 'Objections' and suggested changes to the proposed Districts.
PART I

OVERVIEW

My general objection to the proposed boundaries is the methodically used by the Commission in dividing the State, namely:-

- far north and west
- coastal
- intermediate
- south eastern

This “intermediate” area has resulted some of the proposed Districts cutting across not two, but three and in the case of Mount Isa four distinct areas, namely:-

- Far North Queensland, based on Cairns and west to the Gulf of Carpentaria
- North Queensland, based on Townsville and extending west through Mount Isa to the border.
- Central Queensland, based on Rockhampton and extending west to Winton
- South Western Queensland, based on Toowoomba, and extending west to the border.

In the case of Macrossan, this “intermediate” proposed District extends from Dimbulah in Far North Queensland through North Queensland to the coal fields west of Mackay (Moranbah).

What do the “cow cookies” of Malanda have in common with the “miners of Moranbah”?

Nothing, except the miners may put milk in their tea or coffee.

The other “strange” proposed District is Mirani, stretching from the cane fields, north-west of Mackay, through the mining towns of Middlemount and Dysart, to Mount Morgan, which these days is a dormitory suburb of Rockhampton.
I have outlined specific changes for the proposed Districts of Mount Isa and Macrossan in Part 2 of this ‘Objection’, however I do not have any specific changes for Mirani.

To have done so would have resulted in ‘wholesale’ changes to the Commission overall proposal.

From experience ‘wholesale’ changes at this stage of the redistribution process is the ‘exception’ rather than the ‘rule’.

I am disappointed that the Commission saw fit to abolish the existing District of Tablelands, and dividing its constituents into the proposed District of Cook, based on Cape York Peninsula and the proposed District of Macrossan, which has three distinct areas, the Atherton Tablelands, Charters Towers, and Moranbah.

I believe that this disappointment by the residents of the Atherton Tableland will be conveyed to the Commission by the way off ‘Objections’, especially in the light of the number of ‘Comments’ that were received by your office opposing the suggestion by the Liberal and National Parties that the District of Tablelands be abolished.

I understand that ‘public hearings’ are possible under the Electoral Act at this stage of the Redistribution process.

I would suggest that the Commission consider holding such a hearing on the Atherton Tableland.

I am sure that there would be a large response by the ‘locals’ if such a hearing was held.

Projections:-

In previous redistributions the Commission has published projected enrolments for seven years in advance, that is, in this case 2014 when releasing their proposed boundaries.

This has not occurred this time.

Is there any reason for this not occurring?
As a result of there being no projected enrolments published, I have not included any projected enrolments in my 'specific objections'.

Other areas: -

Hinchinbrook: -

I draw the Commission attention to the description of the proposed District of Hinchinbrook, which says in part: -

Commencing at the intersection of the Bohle River and the North Coast Railway and bounded thence by that railway north westerly to the Black River, by that river and the Alice River upwards to the eastern boundary of Lot 496 on plan AP6619, by that boundary and the south eastern of that fo southerly, westerly, and again southerly to the eastern boundary of the City of Townsville

Does the Commission mean the Western boundary of the City of Townsville?

Dalby: -

I support the Commission's proposal to abolish one of the 'Darling Downs' districts, as the enrolments of the area does not support the retention of the five existing Districts.

I do have reservations as to the proposed name of 'Dalby' for the proposed new district, which the Commission said in its report, was on the basis that it has 'the largest population in the electorate'.

I consider the word 'Downs' is appropriate.

Western Downs could be used if the Commission considers the new district is an amalgamation of the existing District of Darling Downs and Cunningham and therefore the word 'Darling' is inappropriate.

Another possible name is 'Condamine'.

It was a State Electoral District on the Darling Downs from 1950 to 1992.

I note that the Condamine River forms part of the boundary of the proposed District.
PART 2

SPECIFIC "OBJECTIONS" AND SUGGESTED CHANGES

1. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF COOK

I object to the proposed boundaries for the District of Cook in that:-

(a) The town of Dimbulah, and the surrounding communities are in the proposed District of Macrossan, however the towns of Mareeba and Chillagoe are in the proposed District of Cook.

To travel either by road or rail to Chillagoe from Mareeba you pass through Dimbulah and the intermediate communities.

From both a “community of interest” view and the ability of the local member to service this area I suggest that these communities be included in the proposed District of Cook.

(b) The Koah area is basically an extension of Kuranda, and the immediate town that these residents would go for services is Kuranda, not Mareeba.

As the Commission proposes that Kuranda remain in the District of Barron River, I believe that the Koah area should also be included in Barron River.

By following the Clohesy River downstream from the Kennedy Highway to its mouth would make the boundary “easy to understand” replacing the proposed complicated boundary roads, property boundaries, etc.

To compensate for these changes it will be necessary to make further changes to the proposed District of Cook, namely:-

That the boundary with Macrossan between Atherton and Mareeba be shifted so as the town of Walkman is in the proposed District of Macrossan.

Walkman was in the now defunct Shire of Atherton and would be much easier for the Member for Macrossan to service than Dimbulah, and the surrounding communities.
Boundary Changes:

Commencing at the mouth of Staaten River on the western boundary of the Shire of Carpentaria, follow the proposed boundary in a westerly direction to where the southern boundary of the Tablelands Regional Council meets the Etheridge Railway, by the railway in a northerly direction to where it crosses the Talt River, near Ootan, by that river upstream, by Oaky Creek upstream to its source, by a line easterly to the now defunct Mareeba/Herberton Shire boundary, by that boundary in a northerly direction to the now defunct Mareeba/Atherton Shire boundary, by that boundary in a northerly and easterly direction to eastern boundary of the Tablelands Regional Council, (the proposed boundary) by the proposed boundary to where the Kennedy Highway crosses the Clonbey River, by that river downstream to its mouth, by the Barron River downstream to the proposed boundary, (eastern boundary of Lot 15 on plan N157283) by the proposed boundary to the point of commencement.

Area:

I have not been able to work out what effect, in sq.kms, the changes I suggest will have on the overall area the proposed District, thus notional votes; however I believe there would be a slight increase on the 196,936 sq.km of the proposed District.

This slight increase in area, thus notional votes, would have minimal effect on the overall enrolment of the proposed District.

Its enrolment would remain within the 10% variance allowed under the Electoral Act.

Enrolments:

As mentioned above I have not allowed any changes in notional votes in this suggestion, however the changes in enrolment has been calculated by using the figures supplied by the ECQ at the commencement of this Redistribution process.

The changes I suggest will result in the District having an enrolment of 31,822, including notional votes. This is 107.65% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this 'Objection'
2. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF BARRON RIVER

I object to the proposed boundaries to the District of Barron River in that:-

(a) The Koah area is basically an extension of Kuranda, and the immediate town that these residents would go for services is Kuranda, not Mareeba.

As the Commission proposes that Kuranda remain in the District of Barron River, I believe that the Koah area should also be included in Barron River.

By following the Clohesy River downstream from the Kennedy Highway to its mouth would make the boundary "easy to understand" replacing the proposed complicated boundary roads, property boundaries, etc.

(b) That the area of the suburb of Whitfield, bounded by Brooks Street, McManus Street, Cairns Western Arterial Road (Reservoir Road) and the Whitfield/Mangoora Boundary, which includes the Whitfield State Primary School, be included the proposed District of Barron River.

Schools are the "focal point" of local communities, and where quota requirements allow, as it does in this case, should be in the Electoral District where the students and parents live.

In this case it is the Electoral District of Barron River.

This change would also simplify the boundary by following the suburban boundary.

Most people know which suburb they live in even if they do not know which State Electoral District they are in.
Boundary Changes:

Commencing on the eastern seashore at Ellie Point follow the proposed boundary to where Jensen Street meets Brook Street, by the suburban Whitfield/Manoora boundary to the Western Arterial Road (Reservoir Road) by that road to the proposed boundary at the intersection with McManus Street, by the proposed boundary to where the Kennedy Highway crosses the Clohesy River, by that river downstream to its mouth, by the Barron River downstream to the proposed boundary, (eastern boundary of Lot 15 on plan N157283) by the proposed boundary to the point of commencement.

Enrolments:

The changes I suggest will result in the District having an enrolment of 30,833 which is 104.31% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this ‘Objection’.
3. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF CAIRNS

My ‘objection’ to the proposed boundaries for the District of Cairns is that the area of the suburb of Whitfield, bounded by Brooks Street, McManus Street, Cairns Western Arterial Road (Reservoir Road) and the Whitfield/Manoora Boundary, which includes the Whitfield State Primary School.

I suggest that this area be included the proposed District of Barron River.

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In this case it is the Electoral District of Barron River.

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Most people know which suburb they live in even if they do not know which State Electoral District they are in.

Boundary Changes:

Commencing on the eastern seashore at Ellis Point follow the proposed boundary to where Jensen Street meets Brook Street, by the suburban Whitfield/Manoora boundary to the Western Arterial Road (Reservoir Road) by that road to the proposed boundary at the intersection with McManus Street, by the proposed boundary to the point of commencement.

Enrolments:

The changes I suggest will result in the District having an enrolment of 31,442 which is 106.37% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this ‘Objection’.
4. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF BURDEKIN

My ‘objection’ to the proposed boundaries for the District of Burdekin is that I suggest that the area west of the Leichhardt Range in the Regional Council of Whitsunday, (formerly part of the now defunct Bowen Shire Council) be included in the proposed Electoral District of Macrossan.

This area includes the community of Mount Cotton.

It is a part of the existing Electoral District of Charters Towers and is isolated from the remainder of the Whitsunday Regional Council by the Leichhardt Range.

With the changes I have suggested for the proposed District of Macrossan it is necessary to increase the enrolment of that proposed District.

I believe that this can be achieved by transferring the above area to the proposed District of Macrossan with minimal disruption to the ‘community of interest’ criteria of the terms of reference for this redistribution.

The loss of electors to the proposed Burdekin District is only 73; however from my estimates of the area, in sq.kms, the change I suggest will result in a gain of 213 for Macrossan.

This achieved by:-

I estimate the area, in sq.kms, involved is approximately a third of the now defunct Bowen Shire of 21,177 sq.kms, (approx 6,988 sq.kms)

This equates to 140 notional voters.

Added to the 73 actual voters, it gives the prosed District of Macrossan an additional enrolment of 213.
Boundary Changes:

Commencing at the eastern seashore at the mouth of Greta Creek, follow the proposed boundary to where the boundary of the now defunct Bowen Shire crosses the Suttor River, by that River downwards to Cerito Road, by that road and an unnamed road intersecting Cerito and Mount Lookout Holdings, generally westerly to Bowen Development Road, by that road north-easterly to the Leichhardt Range, by that range generally north-westerly to the Burdekin River, {proposed boundary} by the proposed boundary to the point of commencement.

Enrolments:

The changes I suggest will result in the District having an enrolment of 29,522 which is 99.87% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this 'Objection'.
5. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF MOUNT ISA

I object to the proposed boundaries for the District of Mount Isa in that:

(a) The proposed District of 570,482 sq.kms is larger in area than the country of France.

This will make it very difficult for the local member to service his/her constituents, stretching from the Etheridge Shire in the North-East of the proposed District to the Diamantina Shire in the South West of the State of Queensland.

What do the residents of Einasleigh have in common with residents of Birdsville?

Probably nothing, except they both conduct successful race meetings once a year.

(b) To help reduce this ‘unworkability’ of the proposed District I suggest that the Etheridge Shire be transferred to the proposed District of Macrossan.

The residents of the Etheridge Shire travel to the Atherton Tableland for services they cannot obtain locally.

As a rule they certainly do not travel to Mount Isa.

As the southern part of the Atherton Tablelands is in the proposed District of Macrossan, I suggest that the Etheridge Shire also be in the proposed District of Macrossan.

To compensate for the above transfer I suggest that the area west of the Gregory Development Road, in the now defunct Dalrymple Shire, excluding CCD 3031301, be transferred to the proposed District of Mount Isa.

CCD 3031301 has an enrolment of 385 and is basically a residential suburb of Charters Towers, where as the rest of the area west of the Gregory Development Road in the now defunct Dalrymple Shire are basically rural properties, and small communities.
The two largest of these communities I suggest be transferred to the proposed Mount Isa District are Pentland and Cape River.

They are adjacent to the proposed boundary between Mount Isa and Mount Isa, that being the boundary between the Charters Towers Regional Council and the Flinders Shire, which crosses the Flinders Highway, and the Great Northern Railway, between Pentland and Torrens Creek.

Boundary Changes:

Commencing at the mouth of the Staaten River on the Gulf of Carpentaria, follow the proposed boundary to the western boundary of the Etheridge Shire, by the western, southern and eastern boundaries of that Shire, to where the Gregory Development Road crosses the Shire boundary, north-west of Greenvale, by that Development Road, south until it crosses the northern boundary of CCD 3031301, by the northern, western and southern boundary of that CCD until it crosses the Gregory Development Road, by that road, until it crosses the southern boundary of the Charters Towers Regional Council, (proposed boundary), by the proposed boundary until the point of commencement.

Area:

The Etheridge Shire is 39,309 sq.kms.

I estimate the area in the Charters Towers Regional Council which I suggest be transferred to the proposed District of Mount Isa is approximately .5 to .625 of the area of the now defunct Dalrymple Shire.

I have used .625 for these calculations which is 42,716 sq.kms of the now defunct Shire total area of 68,346 sq.kms.

This equates to 854 notional votes.

Enrolments:

Taking the area of the Charters Towers Regional Council which I suggest is transferred to the proposed District of Mount Isa as 42,716 sq.kms; the proposed District will have an enrolment of 30,911. This is 104.57% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this ‘Objection’.
6. PROPOSED DISTRICT OF MACROSSAN

I object to the proposed boundaries for the District of Macrossan in that:

(a) The town of Dimbulah, and the surrounding communities are in the proposed District of Macrossan, however the towns of Mareeba and Chillagoe are in the proposed District of Cook.

To travel either by road or rail to Chillagoe from Mareeba you pass through Dimbulah and the intermediate communities.

From both a 'community of interest' view and the ability of the local member to service this area I suggest that these communities be included in the proposed District of Cook.

(b) To compensate for the above transfer, that the boundary with Cook between Atherton and Mareeba be shifted so as the town of Walkimân is in the proposed District of Macrossan.

Walkimân was in the now defunct Shire of Atherton and would be much easier for the Member for Macrossan to service than Dimbulah, and the surrounding communities.

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This area includes the community of Mount Cotton.

It is a part of the existing Electoral District of Charters Towers and is isolated from the remainder of the Whitsunday Regional Council by the Leichhardt Range.

With the changes I have suggested it is necessary to increase the enrolment of the proposed District.

I believe that this can be achieved by transferring the above area from the proposed District of Burdekin with minimal disruption to the 'community of interest' criteria of the terms of reference for this redistribution.
I estimate this change to the proposed boundary will result in a gain of 213 for the proposed District.

This achieved by:-

I estimate the area, in sq.kms, involved is approximately a third of the now defunct Bowen Shire of 21,177 sq.kms, (approx 6,988 sq.kms)

This equates to 140 notional voters.

Added to the 73 actual voters, it gives the proposed District an additional enrolment of 213.

(d) I suggest that the Etheridge Shire be transferred to the proposed District.

The residents of the Etheridge Shire travel to the Atherton Tableland for services they cannot obtain locally.

As a rule they certainly do not travel to Mount Isa.

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**Area:**

In the case of the suggested boundary changes between Cook and Macrossan I have not been able to work out the difference in area, but I suspect a slight decrease in the size of the proposed Macrossan District.

In the case of the suggested changes between Mount Isa and Macrossan, the size of the Etheridge Shire is definite, 39,309 sq.kms, however that part of the Charters Towers Regional Council I suggest be transferred to the District of Mount Isa is not.
I estimate this area to be approximately .5 to .625 of the area of the now defunct Dalrymple Shire.

I have used .625 for these calculations which is 42,716 sq.kms of the now defunct Shire total area of 68,346 sq.kms.

Similarly the area of the Whitsunday which I suggest be transferred to the proposed Macrossan District is an estimation.

I estimate the area, in sq.kms, involved is approximately a third of the now defunct Bowen Shire of 21,177 sq.kms, (approx 6,988 sq.kms)

Enrolment:-

As mentioned above some of the changes in area (thus notional votes) are estimates, others are correct, and some have not been calculated at all.

While the accurate area will affect the number of notional votes I do not believe my estimates are too far out, therefore this will not have a detrimental effect on the overall enrolment of the proposed District.

The changes I suggest, subject to the above, will result in the District having an enrolment 29,623. This is 100.21% of a quota.

For details, refer to the attachment to this ‘Objection’.
1. OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED DISTRICT OF COOK

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**plus**

**from the proposed District of Cook**

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**from the proposed District of Cairns**

| Whitfield School   | CCD  | 3011412 | 210 |

**Total from other proposed Districts**

- 483

**Total Proposed District of Barron River**

- 30,823

**Quota**

- 29,560

**% of Quota**

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SUGGESTED CHANGES

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Proposed District of Mount Isa 19,373

less

to the proposed District of Macrossan

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Total remaining from the proposed District of Mount Isa 16,829

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GCD

from the proposed District of Busselton

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Total Mount Cotton

from the proposed District of Mount Isa

Etheredge Shire
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Total Etheredge Shire 564

2% Notional Votes 2,178

Total District of Macclesfield 20,623

Quota 29,560

% of Quota 100.21%
## AREA OF PROPOSED DISTRICT

### MACROSSAN

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19th June 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Committee
Locked Bag 3304
Brisbane Qld 4001

Dear Secretary,

In accordance with the Electoral Act 1992, I enclose the Liberal Party's submission response to your invitation for written comments and suggestions regarding public objections on the proposed Queensland State Redistribution for the Re-division of Queensland's 89 electoral Divisions.

If the need for further information arises we would be prepared to provide the Commission with this in either written or oral form.

Yours Sincerely,

[Signature]

Geoffrey Greene
State Director
COOMERA

The new seat of Coomera is -7.6% under population quota.

The Liberal Party believes this new seat should be a Gold Coast-based seat and wholly within the Gold Coast City Council boundary.

The proposed boundary includes the community of Eagelby (around 3,600 voters) at the northern end, which is outside of the Gold Coast City Council area. It is our submission that Eagelby and Beenleigh should not be split, as they are historically linked and currently share a large range of state government services. Further, they are both part of the Logan Local Government Council area.

The proposed Waterford boundary should be moved eastwards to include Eagelby in the same electorate as Beenleigh. To compensate for the loss of electors in the proposed Coomera, the Gold Coast community of Oxenford (2,700 voters) should go into Coomera (using the Coomera River as a natural boundary).

We believe the Coast-based community of Oxenford has much more in common (including the sharing of many state and local government services) with nearby Gold Coast suburbs such as Helensvale, Coomera and Hope Island. Further, they are all part of the Gold Coast Council area.

Significantly, this will mean the Albert Boundary (-6.4% under quota) needs to be realigned to absorb some of Waterford’s excess. We believe this can be achieved by taking can be achieved by taking some areas from the north eastern Beaudesert boundary (along the Albert River).
CHATSWORTH

The new Chatsworth is +2% over quota with the removal already of most of the suburb of Tingalpa into Lytton.

We propose to move the entire suburb of Tingalpa into Lytton, which is +4% over quota (using a line to the junction of Wynnum Rd and Bulimba Ck as the western boundary).

Bear in mind, there are only a few streets of Lytton left inside the new proposed Chatsworth boundary, so this change will not have a great impact on the numbers, but it will serve to unite the suburb of Tingalpa and its community of interest.

Also, it must be remembered that there are vast tracts of acreage lots in Chatsworth’s eastern boundary (bordering on Cleveland and Capalaba) which indicate future growth sub-division areas.

BARRON RIVER

Barron River is now 2.6% over quota.

Whilst, we applaud the Commission’s decision to include the coastal communities of Palm Cove, Ellis Beach and Clifton Beach (all currently in Cook) into Barron River, we recommend the Commission go one step further to include further coastal communities to the north, including Wangetti Beach, Oak Beach and Port Douglas.

The Liberal Party believes these coastal tourist communities have much more in common with the urbanised electorates of Barron River and Cairns than other population centres in the seat of Cook. Further, these coastal communities share a broad range of services and are all linked by the Captain Cook Highway.
To compensate the numbers, we propose to move the hinterland township of Kuranda (which currently borders on Cook) to be moved into Cook.

NOOSA

Under the proposed boundary changes Noosa is projected to be .22% over population quota.

The Liberal Party is concerned the hinterland township of Eumundi (which has always been traditionally linked to Noosa) is now split in two along the proposed Noosa/Nicklin boundary.

Further, we are concerned that the coastal community of Peregian Springs (proposed in Nicklin) has been dislocated from Peregian Beach and Peregian Beach South (Noosa).

It is our contention to fully include Eumundi and the related communities towards the coast (including Verrierdale, Weyba Downs, Doonan and Peregian Springs) into Noosa.

Instead of using the Eumundi-Noosa Road as the boundary, we believe the electorate should start slightly further south at Wegner Road (just north of North Arm) and follow the road northwards to Seib Road and then turn east along Verrierdale Forest Road to Doonan Bridge Road before continuing along Herron Road and Havana Road West to the David Low Way.

To compensate for Noosa’s extra numbers, we believe the rural town of Cooroy (currently in the old Gympie) should be taken out of Noosa and placed in the seat of Nicklin, further enhancing Nicklin’s rural character. Further, we suggest the Commission uses the existing Noosa/Gympie boundary, which extends eastwards from Cooroy to area surrounding Cooroy Mountain.
CLAYFIELD

Under the proposed boundary changes, Clayfield is now 4.7% over quota.

The Liberal Party believes the seat of Clayfield should mirror the Local Government Ward of Hamilton as much as possible, especially by incorporating the CCDS at Newstead along the Brisbane River.

It is our contention that this Newstead area has strong community-of-interest ties with Clayfield's historic Hamilton/Breakfast Creek areas.

To compensate, the Liberal Party proposes that Kedron be placed into Stafford (+0.4%) using Kedron Brook and the Shaw Street Parklands as the boundary. Also, the adjoining suburb of Lutwyche be put into Brisbane Central (-1.6%). This would have the advantage of also of joining these two suburbs to their community of interest areas and their localised services.

MT OMMANEY

Under the proposed boundary changes, Mt Ommaney will be +2.4% over population quota with the inclusion of suburbs Darra, Sumner and Oxley.

Whilst we welcome the Commission's decision to unify all of Oxley into the one electorate, we believe the Commission should take the opportunity to re-unite all of Darra into Inala (-1.5%) where it has traditionally belonged and has strong ties.

This can be easily achieved by re-uniting the area, bounded by the Centenary Highway, Monier Road (to its intersection with Seventeen Rocks Road) and then south to Dowding Street and the Ipswich Motorway, with the balance of Darra.
Furthermore, this boundary amendment will help bring both seats into a closer quota range.

**SPRINGWOOD**

Under the proposed boundary changes, Springwood will be +6.39% over quota.

In order to keep a distinct community of interest intact (Cornubia West), we propose minor changes including moving the eastern boundary northwards from Blackbutt Street to incorporate such surrounding streets as Sugarwood Place, Cycas Ct and Morrell Ct.

Also, we suggest moving the boundary slightly eastwards to include nearby streets including Crystal Place, Gavin Way and Raymond Close.

Both of these minor changes will impact on the neighbouring seat of Redlands.

As there are only a small number of streets affected by this proposed boundary change, we don't believe it will greatly affect the population quota for either Springwood or Redlands (-5.5%), but it does serve to keep this distinct pocket community united.
23 June 2007

The Secretary
Redistribution Commission
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Brisbane QLD 4006

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Email: eca@qld.gov.au

Dear Secretary,

The National Party of Australia Queensland (The Nationals) responds to the Queensland Redistribution Commission’s invitation under Section 48 of the Electoral Act 1992 for objections to proposed electoral district boundaries.

We appreciate that the Commission, in undertaking the current redistribution, is bound by terms of the Act. However, it should be a matter of serious concern to all Parties that the constraints of the Act in this redistribution will result in a further diminution of the rights of citizens in many rural and remote communities to have reasonable ready access to their elected parliamentary representatives.

It should also be stated that these constraints will impose further enormous difficulties on elected representatives in attempting to carry out their responsibilities to constituents in those electoral districts which cover large geographical areas and diverse communities of interest.

While improved technology can assist in facilitating methods of communication to and from constituents, there can be no substitute for the availability of direct and convenient access for face to face communication which should be the right of all citizens. The size of many electorates and the tyranny of distance will impose very heavy burdens on elected representatives attempting to carry out their duties and balance those responsibilities with some semblance of family life.

The burdens for parliamentarians representing those electoral districts are reaching unacceptable levels in terms of proper service delivery to thousands of constituents in remote and rural Queensland.

The Nationals’ specific objections fall into two categories:

- Enrolment numbers in cities/towns adjacent to expansions in mining associated business and service activities that do not reflect substantial future population and economic growth; and

- Community of interest dislocations in specific proposed electoral districts.

The community of interest dislocations refer to proposed electoral districts of Mount Isa, Mackay, Mirani, Bundaberg, Toowoomba South, Lockyer and Dalby. The Nationals suggest alternatives for your consideration.

Of considerable concern is that under the Electoral Act the Redistribution Commission is reliant on population projections that are not representative of underserved, committed, start-up-stage multi-billion dollar investments in mining, coal seam gas, infrastructure construction, business support activities that underpin residential growth.

Queensland Secretary

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7th Floor, GPO Box 321, Brisbane Qld 4001
Telephone (07) 3229 7361; Facsimile (07) 3229 7366
Email: eca@qld.gov.au; Web www.redistribution.qld.gov.au
For example, in the proposed electoral district of Mirani the Redistribution Commission has proposed that the enrolment number at December 17 2007 is 30,879 which suggests minimal growth over the next 9 years. This conflicts with the estimated $30 billion of project investments in the Mackay Whitsunday region of which $13 billion is for mining and associated development between 2008-12 in Northern Bowen Basin in the Isaac Regional Council (former Nebo, Boadsmound and Belvando Shires).

Supporting investment in mining, construction and other business activity is planning for residential developments which conservatively in proposed Mirani number 2,500 allotments which suggest an additional of 4 – 5000 residents over the next 3 – 5 years.

It is The Nationals belief that the Redistribution Commission in preparing the electoral district proposals did not have access to up-to-date economic growth and residential planning data in the economic growth areas for example only Mount Isa, Mackay, Biloela, Miles, Chinchilla and Dalby.

Much government attention is given to population growth in the south-east corner but very little publicity to massive economic growth in several Queensland regions which are attracting new workers and new residents.

We are very disappointed that 3 of the existing 33 electoral rural and regional districts have been transferred to the populous south-east corner where it is proposed that some 64 per cent of the proposed electoral districts will be.

We are particularly saddened by the demise of the existing electoral district of Cunningham from Queensland's electoral district lexicon and history. Existing Cunningham, named after Explorer Alan Cunningham who found a way to the Darling Downs from Moreton Bay, has been a continuing electorate since its proclamation in 1887.

Thank you for your consideration of our submission.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

Bruce McIver
PRESIDENT
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INTRODUCTION

The Nationals have examined the proposed electoral districts, consulted with party units, industry groups, local governments, regional councils and individual electors and submit the following objections and comments.

The objections are underpinned by our belief that the essence of democracy includes fair representation for rural, regional and remote parts of the state.

The Nationals’ specific objections fall into two categories:

- Enrollment numbers in cities/towns adjacent to expansions in mining associated business and service activities that do not reflect substantial future population and economic growth; and
- Community of interest dislocations in specific proposed electoral districts.

In our initial submission (QRC/532) we drew the Commission’s attention to our view that in some regional cities such as Mount Isa and regional towns which service the expanding mining industry and associated business activities, enrollments do not reflect the actual voting population in those communities. We stand by that statement and will develop that view further in our objections.

OBJECTIONS

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ABOVE 100,000 KM²

We respectfully suggest that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to:

- re-consider the population growth projections for proposed Mount Isa with the view to decrease the size of proposed Mount Isa;

- reconsider the transfer of Diamantina Shire in proposed Mount Isa (approximately electors 1,448 and national voters 1,996 - total elector value of some 2,044) to proposed Gregory. The Nationals are of the view that the Commission has other choices when coupled with higher enrollment growth projection for Mount Isa to make the necessary adjustments through proposed Cook and proposed Macrossan;

- consider that the additional 2,044 in proposed Gregory be accommodated by transferring approximately (not allowing for national electors) 1,770 electors in the town and surrounds of Clermont to proposed Macrossan which would ensure that the adjustments made to proposed Macrossan, Cook and Mount Isa meet the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.

Proposed Electoral District Name Macrossan

- The Nationals submit the name of Du来るple for the consideration of the Commission.

NORTHERN QUEENSLAND -MIRANI

The Nationals respectfully submit that the area south of the Capricorn Highway be transferred from proposed Mirani to provide that:

- the enrollment number be adjusted downwards to reflect the substantial prospective population and economic growth in Belyando, Sarina, Mirani and Nebo regions;
- the towns of Westwood, Bouldercombe, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Marmor Creek, Port Alma and communities that surround these towns be subsumed into close neighbouring proposed electoral districts of Rockhampton, Keppel, Gladstone and Callide with which they have homogeneity.

**CENTRAL QUEENSLAND (ROCKHAMPTON, KEPPEL, GLADSTONE AND CALLIDE)**

The Nationals respectfully submit that the Redistribution Commission make the necessary adjustments to the proposed Central Queensland electoral districts to provide that the region below the Capricorn Highway (towns of Westwood, Bouldercombe, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Marmor Creek, Port Alma and surrounding communities) in proposed Mirani be excised:

- to maintain its functional community of interest linkages to proposed electorates of Rockhampton, Keppel, Gladstone and Callide; and

- to accommodate the unprecedented growth in the Northern Bowen Basin and south of the City of Mackay.

**WIDE BAY AND BURNETT AREA - BUNDABERG**

The Nationals respectfully submit that the functional community of interest architecture of Kalkie would be better served by transferring (See map, approximately 973 electors CCDs 3071408, 3071413) to proposed Bundaberg. (The area bounded by Jankes Road and west to McGill Road / Burnett River and east along Sauers Road to Zielke Avenue joining Bargara Road. East of Zielke Avenue is open farming land with the nearest suburb of Bargara some 10 kilometers away.)

The Nationals respectfully submit that the area south of Lovers Walk (approximately 977 electors, CCDs 3071408, 3071413) be transferred to proposed electoral district of Burnett.

**THE AREA BETWEEN BRISBANE AND THE SUNSHINE COAST**

The Nationals reiterate the priorities for the consideration of Redistribution Commission the name of Pine or Pine Rivers for the proposed electoral district of Samsonvale.

**SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND**

**Toowoomba South**

The Nationals respectfully submit that proposed Toowoomba North and proposed Toowoomba South should share the Central Business District which has within it the service delivery sector. To achieve that outcome, The Nationals submit that:

- the area in proposed Toowoomba South bounded by Tor Street, Hurstley Road, Greenwattle Street, Taylor Street, Boundary Street, and Glenvale Road (see map below, approximately 2,500 electors in CCDs 3141001, 3141011, 3141012, 3141013, 3141004, 3141013) be transferred to proposed Toowoomba North;

- the area in proposed Toowoomba North bounded by James Street, Ruthven Street, Margaret Street, Cohoe Street, and Warrego Highway (see map below, approximately 2,500 electors in CCDs 3141105, 3141201, 3141202, 3141205, 3141206, 3141305, 3141306, 3141307, 3141312, 3141313) be transferred to proposed Toowoomba South;

- the area bounded by West Street, Wuth Street, Platz Street, Bakor Street (see map below, approximately 650 electors CCDs 3140706, 3140716) be transferred to from proposed Dalby to proposed Toowoomba South);
to accommodate the suggested changes to proposed electoral district of Toowoomba North, Toowoomba South and Dalby, the necessary enrolment adjustment be made by transferring proposed electoral Toowoomba North numbers in the vicinity of Birnam - Hogan Road, Old Goombungee Road and Hermitage Road to proposed electoral district of Dalby.

LOCKYER

The Nationals respectfully submit that:

- the eastern boundary of proposed Lockyer be moved west as identified in 8.4 (See map below, approximately 3,100 electors, CCDs 3151310, 3151312, 3151317, 3151318, 3152503, 3250509, 3252302) be transferred to neighbouring proposed electoral districts of Logan and Algesler with which this area has greater homogeneity.

- the common boundary of proposed Lockyer and proposed Ipswich West be adjusted to provide that the towns and surrounds identified in 8.5 (see map below, approximately 2,700 electors, CCDs 3131007, 3131101, 3131103, 3131104, 3131106, 3131108, 3131110, 3131111) be transferred to proposed Lockyer from proposed Ipswich West. Numerical adjustment for proposed Ipswich West may be achieved by small boundary movements to proposed Ipswich and Bundamba.

DALBY

The Nationals respectfully submit that:

- an improved community of interest boundary would be to extend the common boundary with proposed Warraga to a northern boundary at the Jimbour Creek / Jandowae Branch railway along Kingaroy Jandowae Road, eastwards to Bunya Highway to Bunya Mountains Road to Glennronoch Road where it rejoins the proposed Dalby Nanango boundary, from proposed electoral district of Nanango transfer (See map, approximately CCDs 3081507 (split), 3081504 (split), 3081508 (split), 3081509 (split), 3081506 (split) to proposed electoral district of Dalby;

- from proposed electoral district of Dalby transfer (See map, approximately CCDs 3081606) to proposed electoral district of Nanango.

- to accommodate the suggested changes to the proposed electoral district of Toowoomba North, Toowoomba South and Dalby, the necessary enrolment adjustment be made by transferring proposed Toowoomba North numbers in the vicinity of Birnam - Hogan Road, Old Goombungee Road and Hermitage Road.

Proposed name Dalby

The Nationals respectfully submit the name of Condamine which was first proclaimed in 1950 as the Condamine River drains through the proposed electorate and is recognised as important to the topography of the entire proposed electoral district. Further names the Redistribution may consider is continuing the name of Darling Downs which was first proclaimed in 1872 and Cunningham which was first proclaimed in 1887 recognising the explorer Alan Cunningham who found a way through to the Darling Downs from Moreton Bay. It is of interest to note that the electoral district of Cunningham has remained a part of Queensland’s electoral history from the time of its proclamation.
1. **INTRODUCTION**


1.2 Our objections are underpinned by our belief that the essence of democracy includes fair representation for rural, regional and remote parts of the state.

1.3 The Nationals have examined the proposed electoral districts, consulted with party units, industry groups, local governments, regional councils and individual electors and submit the following objections and comments.

1.4 The Nationals appreciate that in complying with Section 45 of the Act (that the redistribution must be within numerical limits) some uncomfortable community of interest outcomes result. We are of the view that in some proposed electoral districts there are other choices that the Redistribution Commission may consider that have the potential to improve the community of economic, social, regional and other interest outcomes and comply with the overriding numerical limits requirement.

1.5 The Nationals' specific objections fall into two categories:

   - Enrollment numbers in cities/towns adjacent to expansions in mining associated businesses and service activities that do not reflect substantial future population and economic growth; and
   - Community of interest dislocations in specific proposed electoral districts.

1.6 In our initial submission (QRC/522) we drew the Commission’s attention to our view that in some regional cities such as Mount Isa and regional towns which service the expanding mining industry and associated business activities, enrolments do not reflect the actual voting population in those communities. We stand by that statement and will develop that view further in our objections.

1.6.1 Current research suggests that the growth projections that the Redistribution Commission relied for the proposed electoral districts particularly in areas experiencing industrial growth such as the Surat and Northern Bowen Basins do not reflect the significant upswing in growth and the associated new and future residential developments that signal future population growth.

1.6.2 In the Surat basin no fewer than 8 mining companies are establishing or have established sites. In the words of a local leader, the towns of “Miles, Chinchilla and Dalby are exploding”, due to industrial and commercial/business activities associated with coal seam gas, mining and feedlots.

1.7 Please note that enrolment numbers and nominated Census Collector Districts are approximate.

2. **ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ABOVE 100,000 KM² IN AREA (MOUNT ISA, GREGORY, WARREGO, MACROSSAN AND COOK)**

2.1 The Nationals recognise that complying with numerical enrolment requirements of the Electoral Act is the priority and that community of interest elements are secondary.

2.2 It would be negligent of us if we did not represent to the Commission the angst of some communities that are the subject of change in the proposed boundaries particularly proposed Mount Isa, Gregory and Macrossan.
2.2.1 Based on the representations to us we respectfully submit that the Redistribution Commission reconsider the proposed boundaries for the electoral districts above 100,000 km² in an endeavour to better accommodate community of interest.

2.3 Much comment has been centred on the vast area of proposed Mount Isa – 570,482 sq kms which has subsumed the Shire of Diamantina (from existing Gregory) and Shires of Etheridge, Richmond, and Flinders from existing Charters Towers. Negative comment from local electors, community leaders and businesses in these communities has centred on the contradiction between the numerous and vast regions for parliamentary representation that the proposed boundaries suggest and the actual geographic architecture of the functional and established regional service linkages.

2.4 We restate again that the enrolment figures for Mount Isa City did not reflect the potential voting population. By way of verifying these views we offer:

2.4.1 According to the Queensland Government Department of Infrastructure and Planning "projections prepared by the Department indicate that by 2011 the expected population of Mount Isa City will be between 21,400 and 22,200 people.

2.4.2 Regional ABC News of March 24 2008 carried the story that three Mount Isa suburbs "have been named in the state's top 10 growth suburbs for 2007 by the Real Estate Institute of Queensland (REIQ)." REIQ Chairman Peter McGrath said that, "we are expecting continuing growth, particularly in and around the resource rich areas but at a certainly lower rate". (Comment - due to interest rates.)

2.4.3 Mount Isa is at the heart of the North West Queensland Mineral Province and emphasis is on new mineral discoveries and improved infrastructure to extend the lives of mines in the area into the future.

2.4.4 In our initial submission we pointed to the Cloncurry Shire Council that was in the process of preparing 32 residential blocks in a new subdivision. The Council was seeking the further release of un-allocated land for housing projects from the State Government.

2.5 It is acknowledged that population of voting age does not precisely equate with enrolments but it is indicative of a region that is not static.

2.6 By way of completeness we elaborate to the Commission the views that have been expressed and represented to us pertaining to proposed electoral districts of Mount Isa and Macrossan:

2.6.1 The concern that the exclusion of Flinders and Richmond Shires from existing Charters Towers and transference to proposed Mount Isa is not based on the expected population increase in Mount Isa and the physical location of the major towns in these Shires.

2.6.1.1 Residents of these Shires have traditionally used the services available in the eastern cities of Charters Towers and Townsville.

2.6.1.2 The major towns of Richmond and Hughenden are physically closer to Charters Towers and residents within these communities, as traditional users of the services within Townsville and Charters Towers have more in common with the electors of these communities.

2.6.1.3 Mount Isa Health Service does not cover the Flinders or Richmond Shires. Both these Shires are covered by the Townsville Health Service. Remote and rural people access educational facilities in Charters Towers and elders who require high care normally reside in Charters Towers aged care facilities.
The communities in both these shires have a strong rural industry base with a broad number of community based industries. This is a shared interest with some of the other communities within proposed Macrossan.

Etheridge Shire residents have little commonality with residents within proposed Mount Isa electoral district. Everyday business is conducted within the shire itself, or when requiring services not available within the shire residents travel to either the Tablelands or more frequently Charters Towers. The education services available within Charters Towers are accessed by students and parents in the Etheridge shire and the school of distance education in Charters Towers services remote students in the Etheridge shire.

The town of Clermont until 2008 was part of the Belyando Shire alongside Moranbah. Both communities are still within the one shire, the Isaac Regional Shire and have maintained a strong relationship between towns. Both communities have economic, social and regional commonalities due to the current industries present in both towns, notably the mining industry. Local Government administration is shared between Moranbah and Clermont.

Within the communities, there are currently many mining developments in the start-up phase or just commenced meaning that their populations will exceed current projection trends. Existing fly in fly out operations is not ideal but mining companies are making efforts to secure housing for their employees within the townships. The Isaac Shire Council is generally unsupportive of the development of single men quarters within the towns and is working towards the release and development of additional land for both the mining companies and importantly for lower income workers who provide support services for the mining industry.

2.7 The concern with the exclusion of the Diamantina Shire from existing Gregory to proposed Mount Isa:

2.7.1 the functional architecture of the Diamantina Shire is to and from the east not the majority population centre of Mount Isa in the north. To impose a parliamentary representation system against the natural flow of transport, communication, service and commercial activities will create difficulties for the small number of electors and the Member of Parliament. With the exception of policing and some banking actions, all other services are blanketed from centres to the north east (Longreach, Barcaldine) and east (Chartersville, Quilpie, Toowoomba, Brisbane) and not Mount Isa.

2.8 The Nationals recognise that driven by the numerical requirements of Electoral Act, some shire/communities aligned and comfortable in existing electorates will be transferred to proposed electorates causing unhappiness. It is the nature of redistributions that there is change but we are of the view that change as much as possible should be minimised.

2.9 We respectfully suggest that the proposed boundaries be re-examined to:

2.9.1 reconsider the population growth projections for proposed Mount Isa with the view to decrease the size of proposed Mount Isa;

2.9.2 reconsider the transference of Diamantina Shire in proposed Mount Isa (approximately electors 140 and national voters 1,995 - total elector value of some 2,044) to proposed Gregory. The Nationals are of the view that the Commission has other choices when coupled with higher enrolment growth projection for Mount Isa to make the necessary adjustments through proposed Cook and proposed Macrossan.
2.9.3 consider that the additional 2,044 in proposed Gregory be accommodated by transferring approximately 1,770 electors (not allowing for nometal electors) in the town and surrounds of Clermont to proposed Macrossan which would ensure that the adjustments made to proposed Macrossan, Cook and Mount Isa meet the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.

2.10 Proposed Electoral District Name Macrossan

2.10 The proposed name change to Macrossan has created considerable emotion within the Charters Towers community as John Murtough Macrossan was an elected member for Townsville and Kennedy electorates between 1879 and 1891. History shows that Macrossan did very little to promote the region being far more interested in the prospects of the port of Townsville. The name of Dalrymple has a greater connection to the area as George Dalrymple was the first elected representative for the region and largely was responsible for the exploration of the areas into the Atherton Tablelands and surrounding the Burdekin River.

2.11 The Nationals submit the name of Dalrymple for the consideration of the Commission.

3. NORTHERN QUEENSLAND (BARRON RIVER, CAIRNS, MULGRAVE, HINCHINBROOK, THURINGOWA, TOWNSVILLE, MUNDINGBURRA, BURDEKIN, WHITSUNDAY, MIRANI AND MACKAY)

3.1 The Nationals put before the Commission an objection to the proposed electoral district of Mirani based on:

3.1.1 current and future substantial population growth in Walkervanton, Mareeba, Mirani, and Sarina, Armstrongs Beach and other towns due to the expansion of mining in the Northern/inner Bowen Basin, supporting industries and services;

3.1.2 economic growth based on industrial development and business operations flowing from current and future mining operations within the proposed electoral district;

3.1.3 the lack of any community of interest with the area south of the Capricorn Highway – which includes the towns of Westwood, Bouldercombe, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Marmor Creek, Port Alma (see map below) with the proposed electoral district of Mirani. The functional architecture of this region south of the Capricorn Highway in terms of transport, communications, economy, essential services, business and commercial transactions is in tune with proposed electoral districts of Rockhampton, proposed Keppel, proposed Gladstone and proposed Callide.
3.2 The enrolment for proposed Mirani is 30,879. The Nationals are persuaded by the current and future strong population and economic growth in the Belyando, Sarina, Mirani and Nebo regions coupled with economic development underway, committed and anticipated over the next 5 years that this proposed enrolment number is too high.

3.2.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the area south of the Capricorn Highway be transferred from proposed Mirani to provide that:

3.2.1.1 the enrolment number be adjusted downwards to reflect the substantial prospective population and economic growth in Belyando, Sarina, Mirani and Nebo regions;

3.2.2.2 the towns of Westwood, Bouldercombe, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Maynor Creek, Port Alma and communities that surround these towns be subsumed into close neighbouring proposed electoral districts of Rockhampton, Keppel, Gladstone and Calidale with which they have homogeneity.

3.3 The rationale for the objection and submission is based on population including residential and economic growth.

Population growth

3.3.1 The majority of proposed electoral district of Mirani is in the Mackay Whitsunday region. The sub-regions that that roughly envelope the proposed electoral district of Mirani have experienced strong resident population growth in the period 2001 - 06 and is demonstrated in the table below - referenced from ABS 3219 (30th June).
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<td>4,091,546</td>
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(Note: The annual percentage change for the year 2005 - 06 for each of the regions listed above was above Queensland’s recorded annual percentage change.)

3.3.1 Population projections for the regions that roughly envelop the proposed electoral district of Mirani (Referenced from ABS 3216.0, former Queensland Department of Local Government and Planning (QDLGP) Population Projections (Medium Series). ABC Group) are as follows:

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(Note: These projections are based upon medium series projections released by former QDLGP. Over the past five years the Mackay Whitsunday Region has been experiencing population growth more in line with former QDLGP’s high series projections. According to the high series population projections, the Mackay Whitsunday Region will experience an average growth of 2.0% over the next 20 years to reach a total of 239,482 persons by 2026.)

3.3.2 Since 2005 the Department of Local Government’s Population, Information and Forecasting Unit (PIFU) has undertaken a revision of population growth scenarios for select Local Government Areas and towns in the Bowen Basin, based on updated expectations of mining expansion to 2021. PIFU took into account workers who reside in the mining towns and otherwise live outside the area. The Australian Bureau of Statistics population statistics do not recognise persons living in barracks and quarters as residents. The revised Full Time Equivalent (FTE) population estimates recognise people who work in the area for an extended period of time and PIFU has derived a component method for estimating FTEs. Below are the details (reference Isaac Regional Council).
### Bowen Basin Population Report 2007 - extracted figures from main report

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#### Isaac Regional Council

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<td>82,278</td>
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3.3.3 A view prevails that many persons classified as non-resident population will seek to locate to these areas as service and infrastructure improve and the increasing fuel prices.

3.3.4 Below is a graph of population statistics for the Mackay Region to 2026:

#### Interesting Statistics

The graph on the left shows population projections for the region that were done in 1999 and again in 2004.

Note the line representing our actual population—it is well above all projections done for 2004.

Should this high growth continue, we may see yet another set of population projections for the region that ultra beyond 225,000 by 2026.

Reference: Regional Economic Development Corporation Newsletter November 2007
### Economic Growth

Underpinning and driving current and future population growth is substantial economic growth in dwellings, commercial and industrial activities. Proposed projects in the Isaac Regional Council (formerly Nebo, Bouldsand, Belyando Shires) are as follows:

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3.4.2 Listed below are:

- Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal, that will increase capacity from 60 million tonnes per annum to 85 Mtpa by 2009 ($1.16b);
- Walkerton Bypass (alternative Peak Downs Highway alignment to take heavy traffic out of Walkerton);
- Dysart Multi-purpose Sports Complex ($6m); (Under study)
- Central Queensland Gas Pipeline ($220m); (Under study)
- Minif Electrical Feeder Substation ($17.1m); (Under construction)
- Moranbah and Nebo Powerstations ($800m); (Under study)
- Moranbah Gas Operation ($80m); (Under construction)
- Moranbah North Gas Power Unit ($60m); (Under construction)
- Transmission line Bridalwood to Nebo ($106m); (Under construction)
- Transmission line from Nebo to the Pioneer Valley ($52m); (Completed)
- Transmission line Nebo to QR Bellingbroke ($20m); (Under study)
- Transmission line Nebo to Strathmore ($105m); (Under construction)
- Bouldsand North Coal Project ([$m.]); (Completed)
- Cardborough Downs Coal Project ($160m); (Under construction)
- Eagle Downs Underground ($390m); ([Under study)
- Hay Point Services Coal Terminal Expansion ($300m); (Completed)
- Port of Hay Point (Apron Areas & Departure Path Capital Dredging) ($70m); (Completed)
- Bouldsand - Malieba – Waddonga Rail Duplication ($89m); (Under construction)
- Goonyella System Rail Upgrade ($39.7m); (Completed)
- Harrow Passing Loop ($15.9m); (Under study)
- Isaac Plains Spur Line ($23m); (Completed)
- Jilalan Rail Yard Upgrade ($80m); (Under construction)
- Railingslock Increased Capacity; ($2.92B) (Under construction)
- Stephens Passing Loop ($15.5m); (Under study)
- Peak Downs Highway Widening; (Completed)
- Moranbah Southern Spur Pipeline ($19m); (Completed)
- Proposed Connors River Dam ($194.57m); (Under study)
- Proposed 2,000 head feedlot expansion Barnmount South (north-east of Middlemount).

### Belyando Area

- Clermont Coal Mine ($950m); (Under construction)
- Goonyella Riverside Expansion ($13m); (Under study)
Grovenor Coal Project ($700m); (Under study)
- Isaac Plains Coal Expansion Project ($103m); (Commenced)
- Caval Ridge open cut; (Under study)
- Moranbah South Project ($11B); (Under study)
- Diamond Creek open cut and underground mine; (Under study)
- Red Hill underground mine; (Under study)
- Peak Downs Opencut expansion ($1B); (Under study)
- Wards Well/Lancetwood, longwall underground; (Under study)

Broadview Area
- Codrilla open cut; (Under Study)
- Lake Lindsay open cut Coal Project ($516m); (Under Construction)
- Middlemount opencut and underground Coal Project ($150m); (Under study)
- Norwich Park East Pit open cut; (Under study)
- Olive Downs ($50m); (Under study)
- New Saraji Coal Project ($1B); (Under study)
- Winchester South open cut; (Under study)
- Vermont Coal Project ($176m); (Under construction)

Nebo Area
- Bee Creek (Open cut); (Under Study)
- Broughton, open cut; (Under Study)
- Caneborough Downs Spur Line ($22m); (Completed)
- Daunia Coal Project ($150m); (Under study)
- Ellenbrook, longwall underground; (Under study)
- Jilalong open cut; (Under study)
- Lenton Opencut ($120m); (Under study)
- Moonee Vale West Underground ($56m); (Under study)
- Moonee Vale C open cut; (Under study)
- Moonee Vale Underground, underground (Under study)
- Eagle Downs Underground; (Under study)
- Nebo West open cut; (Understudy)

3.4.3 The Conners River Project was declared by the Queensland Coordinator-General as a "significant project" on 7 March 2008. The Central Queensland Regional Water Supply Strategy concluded that a sizable additional supply would be required particularly for mining and urban needs in the Isaac-Conners region. It is an indicator of prospective economic and population growth.

3.4.3.1 The proposed project is close to the coastal communities of Greenhill and Clairview whose residents do not have access to potable reticulated water supply. The proposed project has the potential to increase population in these coastal communities and other such towns as St Lawrence.

3.4.3.2 Studies regarding Land Suitability, Future Water Demands and assessments of Ground Water Potential in the Conners/Isaac Catchment Areas identify huge potential areas and opportunity for irrigation development in the catchment area confirming that approximately 60,000 ha of riparian land is both suited to irrigation development and close by streams. Total land in the catchment potentially suitable for irrigation development is 281,000 ha. This is an indicator of potential economic and population growth within the next 6 years.

3.4.4 The Jilalan Railway $500m Upgrade Work, 70 km south of Hay Point will be completed in December 2009. Queensland Rail plans to match industry growth
3.5 Residential development

3.5.1 In the words of a local business identity there has been "a different mind sent in the last twelve months" to living and working close to employment opportunities. Contributing to this has been fuel prices and the February 2008 floods in Mackay which have encouraged residents to consider looking for land or allotments in non-flooded areas adjacent and surrounding the City. The northern side of Mackay is almost fully developed and now attention is being given to the south (in proposed electoral district of Mirani) where there is residential development potential at Walkerston, Mirani, Marian and Sarina. It is these towns and surrounding areas in proposed electoral district of Mirani that are the focus for future growth.

3.5.2 The Mackay City Regional Council now encompasses the former Mirani and Sarina Shires. Towns and surrounding communities are experiencing unprecedented attention for residential development driven by industrial and commercial activity flowing from mining. The former Mirani Shire Council approved 1,000 house blocks at Marion and Mirani for immediate development. There is potential for another 1,000 allotments to be approved and will be coming on-stream within the next 18 months to 2 years.

3.5.3 Towns that have recorded residential development interest and activity include: Walkerston, Mirani, Marian, Eton, Kinchinian Dohn, Sarina. Very conservatively, more than 2500 allotments have been identified by the former Councils as residential allotments for
housing development. For example Planning Development Applications that are in
progress or projects committed

Walkerston

Walkerston is a recognised growth area. In the 2001 Census (Reference ABS)
Walkerston was listed as the 57th growth area in Australia with a population growth of
27.3% (1996 Census 1,501, 2001 Census 1911). At the 1996 Census the increase was
11.5% thus the increase in the 1996-2001 period is sizeable. The data for 2006 does not
appear to be available but the anecdotal advice is that Walkerston continues to
experience population growth within the top of range of Australia’s growth areas.

- There are some 200 allotments for housing developments;
- 300 - 400 residential allotments to be developed;
- In the last 2 years there has been approval given for 180 allotments for development
  of which 70 had housing construction approved with the remaining 110 to commence
  in 2008.

Mirani

In the town and surrounds of Mirani there are approximately 1,000 allotments for
current and future residential development purposes. These comprise:
- 120 allotments currently being sold (June 2008);
- 200 allotments approved and currently being developed;
- 600 - 700 allotments former cane land that has been acquired for residential
development. The Developer is in the process of seeking Council approval
for development.

Marian

In the town and surrounds of Marian there are some 1,000 allotments for current
and future residential development purposes and currently in the planning stage.
These comprise:

- There are 350 to 400 allotments in the Morvalle Development;
- Barry Sheedy and Partners have purchased cane farms for subdivision for
  approximately 600 - 650 residential allotments.

Below example of Stage 1 of Marian Development:
Sarina

The town and surrounds of Sarina has experienced much commercial and residential growth. This may be exemplified by:

- construction of the Beach Road shopping complex;
- the construction of the Woolworths shopping complex,
• Jackson Street subdivision;
• Hans Christian Street subdivision;
• Morrie Street (Campwin Beach) subdivision;
• Keating Street (Armstrong Beach) subdivision;
• and other smaller rural residential developments in the area;
• substantial expansion of production facilities Australian Prawn Farms - Notch Point.

This demand for housing has resulted:

• the first stage of the “Pacific Parks” some 60 allotments almost completely sold prior to release. The remainder some 180 allotments are now being developed and interest is strong;

• residential subdivision of approximately 500 allotments is waiting for final approval for development.

Moranbah

The town of Moranbah is experiencing accommodation and residential growth resulting from mining, associated and supporting industries:

• Apartment complex - 50 apartments.

Dysart

The town of Dysart is experiencing accommodation and residential growth resulting from mining, associated and supporting industries:

• Apartment complex - 24 apartments; (Commenced)
• Dysart BHP Coal Pty Ltd Residential subdivision Winterer Crescent; Dysart with about 142 lots in 2 stages;
• The Mac Centre, additional 480 single person rooms;
• 82 New Town House Complex Town Centre;
• 270 Room Single Persons Accommodation Centre (New Bowen Basin Coal Mine).

Middlemount

The town of Middlemount is experiencing accommodation and residential growth resulting from mining, associated and supporting industries:

• The Mac Centre Middlemount additional 800 Room Single Persons Accommodation;
• 74 Apartment Development (Whitsunday Developments);
• 48 Room New Motel Complex;
• 34 Room Apartment Complex at New Motel Site;
• 50 Lot Residential Development (Foxleigh Mining Employee Housing).

3.5.4 Below 18 June 2008 Courier Mail story re growth in Middlemount
Swag pitched in boom town

WHENCE Middlemount, a purpose-built mining town deep in the heart of the Bowen Basin, opened for business in 1987, its planning life was 20 years.

More than 20 years on and in the midst of Queensland’s structural boom, its getting a $1 billion mine raze and its first flush.

Anglo Coal, which owns the nearby Marian Carol and the high-grade 12 months into its five-year plan to refurbish not only the 500 properties it owns in the town, but also the shopping centre, which has become, and Trish and Ian Matheson, through which Anglo Coal Mapleton, a shopping centre 25 years ago, is a great making sure their latest project, a 45-unit model, will be sold in a few locations and an extra 15 houses, is up and running by the end of the month.

They’re calling it The Swag Model and they’re hoping it will be about the $150,000 project.

"We’ve looked at a mix of 18 or 19 different projects across Australia," Mr Matheson said. And then they heard the Department of Natural Resources had a few blocks of Middlemount land on the market, which they quickly bought.

"Of all the prospects we’ve done, and we’ve had 17 businesses, this is the most confident we’ve ever felt," Mr Matheson said.

The development is well founded. Middlemount, like many other towns and cities, is coping with the boom.

Lisa Castrigno, Anglo Coal’s local community manager, says the town has a permanent population of about 200 and an extra 100 transient workers and family staying in the town’s four work camps at any time.

Anglo Coal employees pay about $140 a month for a newly subsidised company home. But open market rents can be up to $500 a week.

The Mathesons propose to charge about $160 a night for their rooms.

And in case there is any doubt about the demographics of Middlemount’s local economy, a recent survey at the golf course estimated 52 golfers.

Greenhill

- New 14 lot residential subdivision at Greenhill is in the planning stage.

Below 14 June 2008 Courier Mail p.73 re a "Boomtown" Mackay.
Boomtown catch.

By MacDonald, Robert

TRY to book a room in Mackay at short notice and you'll probably find yourself staying 15km out of town.

And when you drive into the city centre for your first appointment, you'll be suddenly stuck in that sort of peak-hour traffic once found only in state capitals.

When you look out the car window you'll see sugarcane fields ending abruptly against wooden fences and, on the other side, new houses - whole estates of them - advancing across the rich agricultural land that made Mackay's first fortune.

Mackay is booming once again, to stretching point, thanks to China's insatiable demand for Bowen Basin coal.

Booming so much that one property market forecaster, Terry Ryder, declared in April the city was "past its peak".

"Affordability is now an issue and there has been minimal recent price growth," he said.

"It has been one of the outstanding hot spots around Australia for the past three years but its prices have probably got to the point where they are now too high."

The median price of a house in Mackay increased by an average of 22.4 per cent a year during the past five years, according to PRD Nationwide research.

There has been an easing in recent months, but underlying demand remains strong.

"If you open a 40- to 50-block residential area, it's gone as soon as you can get it out there," said Mackay Regional Council's Mayor, Col Meng.

A local who made his money with a tyre business he bought in 1982 and sold last year.

Whatever full there might be, by Mackay's standards at least, is unlikely to last for long.

With coal at $300 a tonne, the region's big miners are talking of doubling production as quickly as possible.

Locals are talking about "Boom Two".

The Mackay Whitsunday Regional Economic Development Corporation has identified almost $30 billion worth of new investment in the region, much of it mining-related and likely to fuel even more Mackay-based growth, thanks to its various links as a coal port, services hub and residential and property investment centre for well-paid miners.

Meng sees handling all this new growth as one of his biggest challenges.

"It's exciting as long as it's handled properly," he says.

But what he's vowing to the Premier and the Local Government Minister is, "If you expect these sorts of things to happen in this state, we need a hand with the infrastructure.

"If you're going to have growth at the speed we're having it, you can't just keep flogging up our customers, or our taxpayers."

Meng is keen to identify new revenue sources for his council, perhaps in joint ventures with the private sector.

"We need to look at some form of income stream," he says, adding that he is interested in exploring the idea of buying into the Mackay Airport, which the State Government recently put on the market.

"Maybe they wouldn't like me looking at it but at the end of the day, if it's an income stream for a fair investment, then you have to look at these things."

Mackay residents can expect a rate increase this year above inflation.

"We know we'll be flogged for it," Meng says.

"But I think it's like all price rises; if you can show people what they're getting out of it, well I'm not saying they're going to be happier, but they might be happier," he adds hopefully.

He would also like to see the big mining companies more involved in providing infrastructure.

Then there is a longer-term challenge; making sure when the mining boom fades, there is something to take its place.
"It's one of the things I say to everyone, 'Look, this is all great and might be great for the next five to 10 years, but what are you going to do afterwards?'

"And all the infrastructure we're building, we don't want to put in massive expansions and open up industrial land only to find in five years the service industries have nothing to do,' Part of the answer, he says, is to encourage the local service industry to expand into the Pacific and beyond.

"Another challenge for the region is that all of this new wealth is not being evenly distributed. For anyone who is not on the mining express, Mackay can be an increasingly tough place to live.

"Mackay's Tenant Advice and Advocacy Service sees about 200 families a month, says tenant advocate Margaret Robertson.

"At the moment, rents have gone to the point where you need to be earning about $50,000 a year to be offered a two-bedroom flat in Mackay," she says.

And in any event, the vacancy rate is virtually zero.

"Basically, if your family income is under $50,000, your choices are social housing - and that is all clogged - share accommodation or leave town.

Many people, as a consequence, have left town and many more have arrived looking for work and left soon afterwards.

Addressing the social issues associated with growth has become one of the priorities of the area's Regional Economic Development Corporation chief executive officer Narelle Pearse.

"We're trying to get the economic and the social sides talking; they've always spoken a different language," she says.

"At the moment, we're getting them working together, so that rather than dealing with problems at the end, we're addressing it all up front."

However, for many one of the other big problems for any business not involved in the mining boom is holding on to good staff.

"They're so short of train drivers that you don't have to have any qualifications and after four months of training you get a base rate of $65,000," Margaret Simpson says - a tempting option for, say, teachers on $50,000 a year.

"And McDonald's always have signs up: 'Hiring now'."

3.5.6 The Nationals respectfully restate that on the basis of substantial future enrolment growth, the area south of the Capricorn Highway be transferred from proposed Mirani to provide that:

- the enrolment number be adjusted downwards to reflect the substantial population and economic growth in Belyando, Sarina, Mirani and Nebo regions;

- the towns of Westwood, Bouldermane, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Marmor Creek, Port Alma and communities that surround these towns be subsumed into close neighbouring proposed electorates with which they have homogeneity.

4. CENTRAL QUEENSLAND (ROCKHAMPTON, KEPEL, GLADSTONE, AND CALLIDE)

4.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the Redistribution Commission make the necessary adjustments to the proposed Central Queensland electoral districts to provide that the region below the Capricorn Highway (towns of Westwood, Bouldermane, Mount Morgan, Bajool, Archer, Marmor Creek, Port Alma and surrounding communities) in proposed Mirani be excised:

- to maintain its functional community of interest linkages to proposed electorates of Rockhampton, Keppel, Gladstone and Callide; and

- to accommodate the unprecedented growth in the Northern Bowen Basin and south of the City of Mackay.
5. WIDE BAY AND BURNETT AREA (BURNETT BUNDABERG, HERVEY BAY, MARYBOROUGH, GYMPIE AND NANANGO)

5.1 Referring to proposed electoral district of Bundaberg, The Nationals draw the attention of the Redistribution Commission to the Suburb of Kalkie in proposed electoral district of Burnett. Kalkie is a longstanding suburb of the City of Bundaberg with its local Kalkie State School established in 1878. The suburb of Kalkie adjoins Bundaberg Sugar’s main mill, Bundaberg Rum Distillery and Bundaberg Brewed Drinks in the city. Prior to the Local Government amalgamations the suburb of Kalkie was in Bundaberg City.

5.2 In proposed electoral district of Bundaberg, a $90m 4 lane ring road project is in the process (see map below) of being completed. It has the potential to improve transport linkages across the City and better align the suburb of Kalkie with City environs. The ring road has an intersection with traffic lights that directly links the residents in the area off Gahans Road.

5.2.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the functional community of interest architecture of Kalkie would be better served by transferring (See map, approximately 971 electors CCDs 3071408, 3071413) to proposed Bundaberg. (The area bounded by Jealous Road and west to McGill Road/Burnett River and east along Sauers Road to Zielke Avenue joining Bargara Road. East of Zielke Avenue is open farming land with the nearest suburb of Bargara some 1.6 kilomtres away.)

5.3 The area south of Lovers Walk (approximately 977 electors, CCDs 3071408, 3071413) has strong links to Allway in the proposed electoral district of Burnett particularly as residents send their children to the Allway State School. Prior to the Local Government boundary amalgamations this area was in the Burnett Shire Council.

5.3.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the area south of Lovers Walk (approximately 977 electors, CCDs 3071408, 3071413) be transferred to proposed electoral district of Burnett.
6. **THE SUNSHINE COAST AREA**

6.1 The Nationals make no objections.


7.1 The Nationals refer to the name for proposed electoral district of Samsonvale to reflect Lake Samsonvale.

7.1.1 The Nationals resubmit for the consideration of Redistribution Commission the name of Pine or Pine Rivers for the proposed electoral district of Samsonvale.

8. **SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND (TOOWOOMBA NORTH, TOOWOOMBA SOUTH, DALBY, AND SOUTHERN DOWNS)**

8.1 The Nationals submit objections pertaining to the proposed electoral districts of Toowoomba South, Lockyer and Dalby.

8.1 Referring to proposed Toowoomba South the objection is based on the premise that there are two electoral districts that represent the City of Toowoomba but the proposed dividing boundary of James Street transfers the entire central business district to proposed Toowoomba North which is contrary to constituent's community of interest.
8.2.1 Excised from proposed Toowoomba South are: Toowoomba Regional Council; all Government Departments located in the Central Business District including education department, fire services, emergency services, ambulance services, police headquarters; business and commercial entities; Toowoomba Grammar School, Glenvale School, St Mary's College and St Ursula's College.

8.2.2 The Nationals respectfully submit that proposed Toowoomba North and proposed Toowoomba South should share the Central Business District which has within it the service delivery sector. To achieve that outcome, The Nationals submit that:

8.2.2.1 the area in proposed Toowoomba South bounded by Tor Street, Hurley Road, Greenwattle Street, Taylor Street, Boundary Street, and Glenvale Road (see map below, approximately 2,500 electors in CCDs, 31410801, 31410811, 31410812, 31410813, 31410904, 31410913) be transferred to proposed Toowoomba North.

8.2.2.2 the area in proposed Toowoomba North bounded by James Street, Ruthven Street, Margaret Street, Cchool Street, and Warrego Highway (see map below, approximately 2,000 electors in CCDs 31411006, 31411201, 31411202, 31411205, 31411206, 31413005, 31413006, 31413007, 31413112, 31413113) be transferred to proposed Toowoomba South. (Adjustments may be made around surrounding proposed electorates to satisfy numerical requirements)

8.2.2.3 This arrangement would provide that:

- proposed Toowoomba South would regain police headquarters, fire and emergency services and education department and Toowoomba Grammar School;

- proposed Toowoomba North would have the Toowoomba Regional Council; ambulance service; major shopping centres including Grand Central and Garden Town;

- the electoral office of proposed Toowoomba South would remain in the constituent convenient and well-known location opposite City Hall where it has been for over 25 years.

8.3 The inclusion of the University of Southern Queensland in proposed electorate district of Dalby has caused much emotion and comment on the campus, by residents and the business sector.

8.3.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the area bounded by West Street, Wuth Street, Platz Street, Baker Street (see map below, approximately 680 electors CCDs 31407016, 31407106) be transferred to from proposed Dalby to proposed Toowoomba South.

8.3.2 to accommodate the suggested changes to proposed electoral district of Toowoomba North, Toowoomba South and Dalby, the necessary enrolment adjustment be made by transferring proposed electoral Toowoomba North numbers to the vicinity of Binna-Magan Road, Old Goombungee Road and Hemmilage Road to proposed electoral district of Dalby.
8.4 Referring to proposed Lockyer the objection is based on a perceived need for improved community of interest for Greenbank electors in the area east of Ripley Road that converges into Undulla Road and southwards to the Teviot Brook. Additionally transport linkages and road access into and from this area directly west are of poor quality. Proposed Greenbank constituents would need to travel through proposed electoral districts of AlGESTER and Bundamba to access the Ipswich Motorway to meet with the Lockyer Parliamentary representatives and vice versa. Undulla Road is a rough dirt track.

8.4.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the eastern boundary of proposed Lockyer be moved west as identified in 8.4 (see map below, approximately 3,100 electors, CCDs 3151310, 3151312, 3151317, 3151318, 3150503, 3250509, 3252302) be transferred to neighbouring proposed electoral districts of Logan and Algestar with which this area has greater homogeneity.

8.5 The Nationals draw attention to the lack of functional community of interest for electors in the towns and surrounds of Tarampa, Marburg, Lowood and Frenzau in proposed Ipswich West. These towns and surrounds are in the Somerset Regional Council and within close travelling distance to the main centre of Gatton. The functional community of interest architecture is in the proposed electoral district of Lockyer.

8.5.1 The Nationals respectfully submit that the common boundary of proposed Lockyer and proposed Ipswich West be adjusted to provide that the towns and surrounds identified in 8.5 (see map below, approximately 2,720 electors, CCDs 3130907, 3131101,
3131103, 3131104, 3131106, 3131108, 3131110, 3131111) he transferred to proposed Lockyer from proposed Ipswich West. Numerical adjustment for proposed Ipswich West may be achieved by small boundary movements to proposed Ipswich and Bundamba.

8.5.2 Proposed Lockyer has substantial future growth due to the construction and future operation of the super prison north of Gatton; the expansion of the Veterinary Science and Animal precinct at the University of Queensland Gatton campus and ongoing residential development at Ripley Park.

8.6 Referring to proposed electoral district of Dalby the objection is based on that the northern boundary of Cattley Creek, Quigley’s Lane, Kleinschmidt’s Road, Cedarvale Road to the town of Bell and specific lots and Challecombe Street at that town and onto Yamsian sever the functional community of interest architecture of the area.

8.6.1 Children from surrounding areas including Cooranga North, Walkers Creek, Koondal, Sunnyvale attend the Bell State School and progress to secondary school at Dalby or boarding school. Many students from the area attend the Dalby Agricultural College.

8.6.2 The small town of Bell is the service and mail centre for the area and its linkages in terms of health, police, education, natural resource management are to the town of Dalby and not to the town of Kingaroy in the proposed electoral of Nanango.

8.7 The Nationals respectfully submit that an improved community of interest boundary would be to extend the common boundary with proposed Warruya to a northern boundary at the Jimbour Creek / Jandowae Branch railway to Kingaroy Jandowae Road, eastwards to Bunya Highway to Bunya Mountains Road to Glenrannoch Road where it rejoins the proposed Dalby Nanango boundary.

8.7.1 This suggestion additionally transfers an area to the east of the Bunya Mountains Road and Glenrannoch Road to proposed electoral district of Nanango. Children
in the vicinity of Moola, Macalisan attend the Quinalow State School thus the
important education linkages are not severed.

8.8 It is noted that the proposed electoral district of Dalby to a great extent, aligns with census
collector districts (CCDs). The Nationals suggestion splits CCDs but follows well recognised roads
which maintain community of interest homogeneity and the enrolment adjustments whilst not
equal may be accommodated.

8.9 The Nationals respectfully submit that

8.9.1 from proposed electoral district of Nanango transfer (See map, approximately CCDs
39A1507 (split), 30G1504 (split), 30G1508 (split), 39A1570 (split) 31G1526 (split) to
proposed electoral district of Dalby;

8.9.2 from proposed electoral district of Dalby transfer (See map, approximately CCDs
30G1608) to proposed electoral district of Nanango.

8.9.3 to accommodate the suggested changes to the proposed electoral district of
Toowoomba North, Toowoomba South and Dalby, the necessary enrolment adjustment
be made by transferring proposed Toowoomba North numbers in the vicinity of Blinam
- Hogan Road, Old Goombungee Road and Harmitage Road.
8.10 The proposed name of Dalby has caused enormous negative reaction, comment and emotion from electors, groups, and businesses in the proposed electoral district. These centre on the fact that the name of Dalby is not reflective of the diversity or geography of the proposed electorate. The Nationals recognise that a Dalby electorate was first proclaimed in 1935 but the overwhelming view is that it is not the appropriate name.

8.11 The Nationals respectfully submit the name of Condamine which was first proclaimed in 1950 as the Condamine River drains through the proposed electorate and is recognised as important to the topography of the entire proposed electoral district. Further names the Redistribution may consider is continuing the name of Darling Downs which was first proclaimed in 1872 and Cunningham which was first proclaimed in 1887 recognising the explorer Alan Cunningham who found a way through to the Darling Downs from Moreton Bay. It is of interest to note that the electoral district of Cunningham has remained a part of Queensland’s electoral history from the time of its proclamation.

8.12 Referring to proposed Southern Downs, it is noted that the former Millmerran Shire is transferred from existing Cunningham to proposed Southern Downs electoral district. It is a dysfunctional community of interest arrangement as the service, economic, transport, communications linkages are primarily to the City of Toowoomba and to the town of Pittsworth in proposed electoral district of Dalby. Many students who attend the Millmerran State School complete High School years at Pittsworth State High School. We acknowledge that this may well fall into the “uncomfortable arrangement” category that derives from aged to meet the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.

9. THE IPSWICH AREA

10.1 The Nationals draw the attention of the Redistribution Commission to suggested changes to proposed electoral district of Lockyer (8.4) requiring flow-on enrolment adjustments to electoral districts in this area.

10. THE GOLD COAST AREA

10.1 The Nationals make no objections.

11. THE AREA BETWEEN BRISBANE AND GOLD COAST

11.1 The Nationals make no objections.

12 THE AREA SOUTH OF THE BRISBANE RIVER

12.1 The Nationals make no objections.

13 BRISBANE NORTH OF THE BRISBANE RIVER

13.1 The Nationals make no objections.

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AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY

Objections to proposals of the Queensland Redistribution Commission

June 2008
1) Introduction

i) The Australian Labor Party (ALP) welcomes the opportunity to provide comment on the proposed redistribution of Queensland electoral districts.

ii) Overall, the ALP believes the Queensland Redistribution Commission (the Commission) has performed its task well considering the significant demographic changes occurring within the state.

iii) However, the ALP does have a number of specific objections which we believe deserve serious consideration in the finalisation of this important redistribution.

iv) These objections in relation to specific proposed electorates will be explained under the headings of the regions of electoral districts used in the Commission's report.

2) Specific Objections by Region

i) Electoral Districts above 100,000 km² in area (Mount Isa, Gregory, Warrego, MacKenzie and Cook)
   - No objections.

ii) Northern Queensland (Barron River, Cairns, Mulgrave, Hinchinbrook, Thuringowa, Townsville, Mundaring, Burdekin, Whitsunday, Mirani and Mackay)
   (a) Mirani and Whitsunday
      1. The ALP suggests that consideration be given to incorporating the community of Mareeba into the proposed Mirani.
      2. The community of interest criteria in Section 46 (1) of the Act would be served by the collection of Bowen Basin mining communities within one electoral district.
      3. The suggested State seat of Whitsunday divides the towns of Bowen and Collinsville from Airlie Beach and Proserpine that have a community of interest as they are part of the same local government area.

iii) Central Queensland (Rockhampton, Keppel, Gladstone and Callide)
   (a) No objections.

iv) Wide Bay and Burnett Area (Burnett, Bundaberg, Hervey Bay, Murgon, Gympie and Nanango)
   (a) No objections.

v) The Sunshine Coast Area (Noosa, Buderim, Maroochydore, Kawana, Caloundra, Nicklin and Glass House)
   (a) No objections.
vi) The Area between Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast (Pumicestone, Kallangur, Murarrie, Morayfield, Redcliffe and Samsonvale)
   (a) Morayfield and Samsonvale (Upper Caboolture)

   1. The ALP objects to the inclusion of Upper Caboolture in the proposed Samsonvale.
   2. It is submitted that the proposed boundaries do not represent the establishment of a community of interest within Samsonvale.
   3. With reference to Section 36(1) of the Act as follows:
      i. The community of interest of Upper Caboolture rests with the Caboolture and Morayfield commercial and service districts;
      ii. The Samsonvale community, other than for Upper Caboolture, looks to the Strathpine area for retail, commercial and government support functions;
      iii. The lines of communication, principally the road system, focus Upper Caboolture towards Morayfield and areas to the north. The rail service to the area is located in the Morayfield electorate;
      iv. Travel within the proposed Samsonvale electoral district would require driving through two other State electorates from the principal district of Samsonvale (Strathpine/Bray Park) to reach Upper Caboolture;
      v. The D'Aguiar Mountain Range provides a distinct and natural barrier between Upper Caboolture and the balance of the Samsonvale electorate.

   4. Comprising 543 voters in CRePs 3121809 and 3121815, the Upper Caboolture area is small enough to be reallocated without major disruption of the redistribution’s aims. Projections for 2014 indicate the increase in enrolments for these two CRePs are also very small.

   5. The ALP submits that these voters could be accommodated in either the proposed Morayfield or Glass House electorates without moving either electorate outside the quota, either today or in 2014. Equally, the loss of this small number of electors does not affect the quota of the proposed Samsonvale.

   6. The ALP submits that the former shire boundary between the shires of Pine Rivers and Caboolture would serve as an obvious and recognised dividing line between the balance of the proposed Samsonvale electorate and Upper Caboolture, and should be used as a new boundary for State electorate purposes.

   (b) Morayfield (Caboolture CBD)

   1. The ALP objects to the creation of the proposed Morayfield electoral district using the Caboolture River as the northern boundary.
2. The ALP submits that the central business area of Caboolture should be included in the proposed Morayfield.

3. With reference to Section 46(1) of the Act as follows:
   i. Significant services, including state government services, are delivered to the Morayfield area from the Caboolture CBD;
   ii. The whole of Morayfield Road should be incorporated within the proposed electoral district of Morayfield.

4. The ALP therefore suggests that an area bounded by the railway on the east, travelling along Tookeys Street connecting with Yaldara Drive down to Warren Crescent meeting up with the Caboolture River in the south be transferred from the proposed Pumicestone to the proposed Morayfield.

(c) Samsonvale (name)

1. In March 2008, the Moreton Bay Regional Council was formally created through the amalgamation of the former Pine Rivers and Caboolture shires and Redcliffe City. With the creation of the Moreton Bay Regional Council, the “Pine Rivers” name is no longer recognised in official terms.

2. The ALP therefore objects to proposed electoral district name “Samsonvale” and suggests that it would be appropriate to rename Samsonvale “Pine Rivers” for the following reasons:
   i. “Samsonvale” is a new proposed name and as such is not as yet recognised by electors as having any significance for electoral purposes;
   ii. The previous “Pine Rivers” State electorates each contained the former Pine Rivers Shire Chambers and principal Council administrative headquarters and these facilities are located in the proposed Samsonvale;
   iii. Many of the most significant State public buildings bearing the Pine Rivers name are located within the proposed Samsonvale and the newly-commissioned Pine Rivers Magistrates’ Court, the most substantial public building in the district, is located within Samsonvale;
   iv. Further, it is acknowledged that the name Samsonvale is legitimate; however it is also noted that locally Lake Samsonvale, from which the Commission has drawn the name, is commonly referred to as the “North Pine Dam” rather than Lake Samsonvale.

3. For these reasons, the ALP submits that the proposed Samsonvale be renamed “Pine Rivers”.
vii) Southern Queensland (Lockyer, Toowoomba North, Toowoomba South, Dalby and Southern Downs)
(a) No objections.

viii) The Ipswich Area (Ipswich West, Ipswich and Bundamba)
(a) Ipswich West
1. The current boundaries of Ipswich West cover approximately 90% of the RAAF Amberley base.
2. As the RAAF has purchased land to the south of the base, the proposed Ipswich West would not incorporate the entire base.
3. The ALP believes this could lead to future confusion over representation as development of the base continues.
4. The ALP suggests incorporating the entire base in one electorate by amending the boundary between the proposed Ipswich West and the proposed Lockyer to follow Ipswich-Rosewood Rd from its intersection with Hugill-Ambrey Road and then extend south until it meets with the Cunningham Highway.

ix) The Gold Coast Area (Currumbin, Burleigh, Mermaid Beach, Surfers Paradise, Southport, Broadwater, Mudgeeraba, Caven, Albert and Coomera)
(a) Mudgeeraba
1. The ALP suggests that at the northern end of the proposed electorate of Mudgeeraba the small area which includes a section of the suburb of Carrara in the QGC 3172123, including Wilt Avenue and Fitzwilliam St be moved to the proposed Mermaid Beach.
2. The area has no community connection with Mudgeeraba - the town centre, nor with its business centre or community and a much stronger connection to the new Mermaid Beach electorate via roads and canals. Residents in this area do all their business, shopping, employment, school and community activities with the nearby centres of Broadbeach, Clear Island Waters, Ashmore and Benowa, as there are short and direct routes to these centres via bus and road connections.
3. Local residents have also petitioned DN&WR to formally connect the canal estates (streets listed) to seeking a name change from "Carrara" to "Clear Island Waters" citing lack of community connection between this area and Carrara.

x) The Area between Brisbane and Gold Coast (Redlands, Cleveland, Springfield, Waterford, Logan, Woodridge and Beenleigh)
(a) Waterford
1. The ALP objects to the proposed transfer of the area between Chambers Flat and Kingston-Beenleigh Roads from Waterford to the proposed Woodridge.
2. This proposed transfer may be seeking to consolidate the suburb of Mansfield into Woolridge.

3. However, while the local high school is called Mansfield High, this area is actually part of the suburb of Waterford West, which is otherwise wholly contained within the electoral division of Waterford.

x) Brisbane South of the Brisbane River (Capalaba, Lytton, Bulimba, Chelmer, Greenslopes, Mansfield, Sunnybank, Stretton, Yeerongpilly, South Brisbane, Mount Ommaney, Algester and Inala)
(a) No objections.

xii) Brisbane North of the Brisbane River (Clayfield, Nudgee, Sandgate, Brisbane Central, Stafford, Aspley, Everton, Ferny Grove, Ashgrove, Mount Coot-tha, Indooroopilly, Moggill)
(a) Stafford, Nudgee and Clayfield
   1. The ALP objects to the use of Gympie Road as an electoral boundary.
   2. With reference to Section 46(1) of the Act, Gympie Road is not a dividing feature but rather a spine for community interaction, especially within the Chermside area. As such, the ALP proposes three amendments to the proposed electorate of Stafford Nudgee and Clayfield.
   3. The ALP supports the consolidation of all of the suburb of Chermside within the proposed Stafford and continued use of the current electoral boundary by the transfer of the following CCIDs from the proposed Nudgee to the proposed Stafford: 3220503, 3220504, 3220505, 3220506, 3220509, 3221803, 3221805, 3221904, 3221905 (totaling 3633 actual electors and 4260 projected). This is the area bounded on the north by Downfall Creek, the east by Neuman Road, Hamilton Road (briefly) and Plunket Road, the south Edinburgh Castle Road and the west Gympie Road.
   4. This reflects the existing electoral boundary.
   5. The ALP supports the consolidation of the suburb of Lutwyche within the proposed Clayfield, along with the neighbouring suburb of Gordon Park (which is significantly serviced by Lutwyche) by transferring the following CCIDs from the proposed Stafford to the proposed Clayfield: 3221401, 3221404, 3221405, 3221705, 3221706, 3221707, 3221708, 3221709, 3221710, 3221711, 3221712 (totaling 3752 actual electors and 3964 projected).
   6. The ALP's objection to the proposed use of Gympie Road at Lutwyche as an electoral boundary mirrors the use of Gympie Road at Chermside.

(b) Mount Coot-tha and Ashgrove
   1. The ALP objects to the proposed transfer of that the section of Mt Coot-tha bounded by Coopers Camp Road, Jubilee...
Terrace and Ithaca Creek to the proposed Ashgrove electorate.

2. The ALP particularly notes that this proposal is not in keeping with the intent of the Commission's recommendations as set out on page 50 of the report.

3. For the Electorate of Ashgrove, the following recommendation is made:

"The Commission proposes that the electorate:

(a) expand at its south and south-east below Waterworks Road into the existing Mount Coot-tha electorate to unite the suburb of Ashgrove within the proposed Ashgrove electorate;"

4. Further for the Electorate of Mt Coot-tha the following recommendation is made:

"The Commission proposes that the electorate:
(c) contract the electorate south of Waterworks Road to unite the suburb of Ashgrove within the Ashgrove electorate."

5. The portion bounded by Coopers Camp Road, Jubilee Terrace and Ithaca Creek is in the suburb of Bardon, not Ashgrove. The proposed boundary change is therefore not in keeping with the intent of the Commission's recommendation to unite the suburb of Ashgrove as it has also moved the boundary to take in a small piece of the suburb of Bardon.

6. This would be the only portion of the suburb of Bardon that would not be in the Electorate of Mt Coot-tha.

7. Further, it would be the only part of the southern bank of Ithaca Creek that is not in the Electorate of Mt Coot-tha.

8. The ALP supports a revision of the proposed boundary so that this section of the current Mt Coot-tha electorate be retained as part of the proposed Mt Coot-tha electorate.

3) Conclusion

i) In summary, the ALP objections relate to:
(a) The proposed use of the name "Samosvale", where "Pine Rivers" would be a more appropriate electorate name;
(b) The need to reconsider the use of some roads as electoral boundaries; and
(c) A number of minor anomalies in the proposed boundaries where community of interest and consistency would be served by changes.
Dear Sir,

When I was young the talk and threat was all of the Brisbane Line—now your followers are making it the Castle Line. I am not making any allowance for the distance people have to travel or how politicians can fairly mince these enormous western electorates.

In my view a far western vote should weigh infinitely against a vote from Angus, Paroikia, or Wassa. In your redistribution you took out Cook. There was no injuring Parsrigo that only be a third of this seat is in effect government by the south seat for the south seat.

It all seems very unfair—a distinctly unfair.

Yours faithfully,

A. P. MacDonald

1/2 High St
Toowoomba

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Petrol price pain

Redistribution creates huge electorates in west

DIAMANTINA council area may be transferred from the electorate of Gregory to Mt Isa if proposed changes to electoral boundaries are approved.

The Queensland Electoral Commission released draft changes to electoral boundaries last Friday.

The electorate of Gregory is presently 21 per cent larger than the quota of 89,500 voters and is expected to fall by 16.6 per cent before the state election by December 2016.

To counter the shortfall, the QEC proposed to expand the electorate in the north east, giving parts of Central Highlands and Barcaldine regional councils including Charters Towers, Alpha, Jericho, Anakie and Mount Morgan.

It also proposed including parts of Central Highlands and爱河Regional councils, such as Barcaldine, Whitsunday and the Whitsunday Regional Shire Council.

"To balance this increase, the commission proposes to transfer all of the Mount Isa Shire to the proposed Whitsunday electorate and all of Mount Morgan Shire to the proposed Mt Isa electorate.

"That last change was ridiculous," according to MP for Gregory Hagan Robinson.

"I believe the electoral commission has got it wrong," he said.

"The QEC are between diuolism, Mt Isa and Townsville, and that is just mind-boggling. One person cannot re-present an area that big, and with that many people.

"This is just stepping up Mt Isa's numbers with the expense of the people of Diamentina, who go east to major centres rather than north to Mt Isa.

"The proposed changes would mean Gregory would be represented by many scattered electorates, with coal mining, agriculture, tourism and pastoral interests.

"There will be just as much travel to represent the area, but it will be much more expensive," Mr Robinson said.

"It's not about where the people are, it's about what their different needs are," Mr Johnson said.

However, there was a plus in the proposed boundaries, with parts of the Barcaldine Regional Council such as Branxholm, Jericho and Alpha, being returned to the electorate.

"The public can have written objections in the QEC's proposals until 5pm, June 30," Mr Johnson said.

Final boundaries for Queensland and federal seats must be published by August 22.
Queensland Redistribution Commission
Locality: Berrinba
Brisbane Q: 4122

17th June, 2008

Dear Commissioners,

Re: Elimination of the seat of Tablelands
in your Proposed Redistribution.

I am writing to advise of my strong objection to the above reference.

I am a resident of Millara Millara which is situated in the seat of Tablelands to which I refer. We constituents of this seat have recently become victims of the forced amalgamation of the current, Somerset, Waterford and Ferny Grove seats. Forced on us by this uncaring, state government which is comfortable enough but now we are faced with a house prisoner outcome - again instigated by this uncaring, state government with the proposed elimination of our seat of Tablelands which is very inadequately represented by Mr. Ross Lee Long, whom I suspect is a paragon for this uncaring state government.

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I REQUEST A REVIEW OF THE EXAMINATION OF
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Yours Sincerely

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Bequest money.

Dear Sir,

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Please reconsider when you look at the tiny areas such as Cooma. It is a fact that you are asking them to support your proposal really is unwise and unkind.

Yours faithfully,

[Signatures]
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Please change this stupid idea by Thirroul being in McKay District.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. and Mrs. [Signature]
20 June 2006

The Queensland Redistribution Commission
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Dear Commissioners,

I was shocked to discover your intention to redistribute and eliminate the electoral district of the Tablelands. I am writing to voice my strong opposition to the elimination of the seat of Tablelands.

The proposed redistribution is not in accordance with the guidelines for redistributions as set out in the Electoral Act 1992, Part 3 – Electoral districts and electoral redistributions. This states that the commissioners must consider the following five matters (each listed in bold type):

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(d) The boundaries of existing electoral districts.

These have been completely ignored and the existing electoral district will be dismantled as an entity.

(e) Demographic trends in the state.

The Far North Queensland Regional Plan is predicting a great increase in the population of the Tablelands. In one of its possible scenarios, major Tableland towns could double in population by 2025.

As a Tablelands constituent, I request that you review the elimination of the Tablelands in your proposed redistribution. Let the Tablelands community retain its regional voice. As a rapidly growing region that is unique, we need a voice to be representing this area that understands the whole area and how it interacts and what the needs are, both now and in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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QRC/1031 838

28/05/2008

Address
18th June 2008

Queensland Redistribution Commission
Locked Bag 3304
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Sir,

I am writing in regard to the proposed new boundaries for the State electorate of Logan.

After looking the map of the new electorate, it is obvious that the new boundaries have been designed by a person with no local knowledge of the area.

In Boronia Heights and Hillcrest are located the Police, Fire and Ambulance Stations, a new Health Centre currently under construction, nursing homes like the Logan Nursing Home and St Paul de Chartres, plus the new park and ride that is being built to service the area. Under this new distribution all these facilities are located in one electorate while the residents who make use of them are located in another - thus dividing the community of interest.

I suggest it would be more practical to include Boronia Heights and Hillcrest in the Logan Electorate and perhaps offset this with the removal of the southern portion of the electorate.

If you have any enquiries with regard to this matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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[Signature]
Dear Secretary

Re: QRC/0 Comment on location of Chermside

I draw to the Commission’s attention my objection to the proposed new boundaries of the Stafford Electorate.

The suburb of Chermside is a significant business and social hub of the Northside with a strong “community of interest”, but the proposed new boundaries split the community in two. Chermside residents share important community facilities such as Westfield, the Kedron Wavell Services Club, the Burnie Brae Centre and the Prince Charles Hospital. Sharing of these facilities heightens the sense of belonging, responsibility/ownership and community spirit felt by residents of our community. The proposed use of Gympie Road as the new boundary for the Stafford Electorate will divide our strong local community in two.

I believe the proposed new boundaries will have a detrimental effect on my local community and I strongly urge you to maintain the boundary of the existing electoral district to keep Chermside united as one community in the Stafford Electorate.

Yours sincerely,

Signed: [Signature]

Name: [Name]

Address: [Address]

13th June 2008
Contact: Mr. J. Rauber
Phone: 3488 6995
Our Ref: 12-2010 KT-13dr
Your Ref: -
Date: 16 June 2008

The Secretary
Queensland Redistribution Commission
Locked Bag 3304
Brisbane Q 4001

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to thank you for forwarding a copy of the Queensland Redistribution Committee’s report on
the proposed electoral redistributions.

The Moreton Bay Regional Council discussed this report at its Meeting held on 17 June 2008 and
resolved to make the following objections to the proposals in accordance with section 48 of the

Council recommends the following amendments to the proposals:

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and

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Once again thank you for the opportunity to provide further input into the redistribution process.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

John Rauber
Acting Chief Executive Officer
18.6.2008

Dear Sir,

I have lived in Montville since 1957 and was appointed a JP approx. 40 years ago and have taken an active participation in Local affairs during this time.

I received this E-mail which is circulated to members of the M.V.A. for them to forward to you this E-mail which would give the impression that all the residents of Montville were in favour of this, this is not so. I have spoken to many people of this area and all I have spoken to are in favour of going into the Glasshouse electorate.

I will outline a few of the reasons why people think this way.

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(6) To get there vehicles serviced.
(7) Students go to the primary and high schools via the school bus.
(8) The Care Cottage services Maleny Elderly.
(9) I could go on and give you many connections with Maleny but will not waste your time but if you want more information I can get it to you.

I trust you will not alter your current the boundary and will keep us in the Glasshouse electorate.

Rob

Robert James Hooper
222 Mains St
Montville 4560
A couple of our members have compiled this letter detailing opposition to the proposed boundary changes for the Montville area.

It is an excellent document detailing reasons why we should remain in the Nicklin electorate, rather than be moved into the electorate of Glasshouse.

Now is our chance to have a say in the proposed redistribution.

You can either print and post the completed letter or forward it via email.

Submissions should be marked QRC/O
and addressed to
Locked Bag 3304, Brisbane, 4001
or email: ecq@ecq.qld.gov.au

All submissions must be made by the end of this week.

Alan

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Dear Commissioners,

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Since 1992, the organisation has focused on providing specialised support and services to newly arrived migrants and refugees. This includes settlement services which assist newly arrived migrants to build self-reliance and integrate into the local community; employment and training programs which assist the target group to access labour market programs and career based opportunities and family support initiatives which address some of the social and cultural challenges for new entrants to Australia.

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Our organisation believes that by changing the boundaries as recommended by your commission will divide the community and in particular the most disadvantage community members will once again be placed in a no win situation. It has taken many years of very hard work by community groups such as us, with the support of local Member of Parliament Mr. John Mickel, to ensure that Hillcrest, Boronia Heights, Regents Park, Heritage Park and Park Ridge are one community and service and support is provided to the whole community. We have recently join a consortium with The Spot, Lands and Aged Care Services to provide holistic services to this region.

As you are aware the Fire, Ambulance and Police stations are all in the suburb of Boronia Heights and a new health centre is being built, we have retirement and nursing home and soon the new park and ride. All these services help to support the community and it will not
benefit the community to change the boundaries as currently suggested.

We sincerely hope you reconsider your proposed new boundaries and consider the impact on the already highly disadvantaged families and community members.

Yours sincerely

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Acting Director

19 June 2008
14th June, 2008

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SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED NEW BOUNDARIES FOR THE STATE ELECTORATE OF LOGAN

THE ASSOCIATION

The Queensland Consumers' Association (the Association) is the peak body for consumer groups in Queensland. The Association's members work in a voluntary capacity. The Association is a non-profit organisation, advocating advancing the interests of consumers in Queensland.

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Yours sincerely,

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DEAR COMMISSIONERS,

I am writing to you in response against the proposed carve up of the Tablelands electorate.

As a Tablelands constituent and a Dimbulah residence, it is a grave mistake to go ahead with such proposed redistribution, and it will be a disadvantage to all of us here.

Now with the expansion of the mining industry here in the district, registration of mining office in Marreiba. The opening in two months time of the Wolfram camp mine, the expansion in mining at Chicago and District new housing estate development in progress here in Dimbulah for the first time, such development very noticeable at Marreiba and Tablelands.

Cairns is the stepping off city for so many tourist to explore the tropical highlands of Tablelands, and we have nothing in common with the hinterland of Mackay. Cairns is the service centre for the region and the nexus as above "GROWTH."
With the expected growth identified in FHQ 2025 and pointed out to you above, in SMRC, I request to restore this region capacity to a united voice in Brisbane.

Your faithfully

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Objection to Proposed Queensland Electoral Redistribution

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Dear Commissioner,

I agree wholeheartedly with the majority of the proposals for the redistribution of Far North Queensland boundaries, as they largely match my own initial suggestions.

However, I must add my voice of very serious concern to the many others that I have heard regarding the proposal for the new seat of Macrossan.

In my original submission, I suggested that the seat of Tablelands be divided at Rocky Creek (as you too have proposed) due to the need for Cook to expand south and the inappropriateness of including Cairns beach suburbs in Cook at all.

Contrary to many residents do relates well to the people of Cape York which forms the bulk of Cook.

I went on to suggest that the southern end of the Tablelands had much in common with the coastal area around Innisfail, which the old Tablelands electorate touches on. I felt that in the future, the eastern boundary of Tablelands might well have taken in more of the northern end of Hinchinbrook; the remainder of which could have been absorbed by its other neighbours. I propose now that such an electorate could be called Palmersston after Christia Palmerston, one of the pioneers of this area.

There is a major highway connecting Innisfail to the southern Tablelands (Palmerston Highway), as well as similar geography (wet tropics) and Innisfail is an option for Tablelands people when traveling to shop and seek services in a larger town. In general there is a recognised ‘community of interest’ in the area I am describing. Everyone I have spoken to in the Tablelands region agrees with this possibility. They especially feel it is highly preferable to the proposed seat of Macrossan.

There is also an argument for giving Tablelands more than one representative for its seven main townships, when Innisfail is currently served by three parliamentary members for just one town.

By contrast to my proposal for the seat of Palmersston, Macrossan is a complete anachronism to the people of the Atherton Tablelands. They share no interest in the outback regions west of Townsville and Mackay, apart from some aspects of the beef cattle industry. Even there, the wet Tablelands area is predominantly dairy country, not beef.

Furthermore, it must be realised that the relationship between Atherton and Charters Towers is virtually non-existent. Geographically speaking they are very different in climate, with the Atherton Tablelands being part of the wet tropics while the remainder of the proposed electorate is dry savannah grasslands. The Tablelands is also a rapidly growing tourist destination; quite different to the situation in the rest of Macrossan.

Very few Tablelands residents travel down the outback highways; their natural course of travel is always eastward to their major coastal towns of Cairns, Innisfail, Townsville and Mackay.

The rigours of traveling from one end of the proposed seat of Macrossan to the other, with many sparsely situated constituents between the two polarized
population centres, would also be an enormous burden on the member for such a seat, or the residents. The parliamentary member would be traveling constantly and would find it very hard to represent people's interests adequately.

Additionally the people of the Tablelands will feel disenfranchised and poorly represented as they will not have the voting numbers to elect someone with a knowledge of their local issues. If ever the population balance swings in the other direction, the same will apply to people in Charters Towers.

Logically the outback areas to the west of the Great Divide drain to the eastern seaboard for their ports, government and private services, and business centres. It would be far more desirable for parliamentary members to be able to be based in those eastern cities, which have connection to their western 'business'. This is very important as the issues of those coastal cities have an enormous impact on the rural regions to the west of them, which would be best handled by the one representative.

Commissioner, I am a member of many community organisations in Far North Queensland and have sought election recently at both state and local levels. I also run a nature reserve and grazing property in the area of the proposed new seat of Macrossan. As a result I mix with many people in this northern end of the proposed electorate and find that people gravitate to me to discuss this issue of redistribution.

You will no doubt be made aware that many Tablelands residents are very much against the notion of Macrossan. I believe some of their arguments are flawed, but I ask you to look past that to one important fact that the southern end of the Atherton Tablelands belongs vastly more to the Innisfail area than it does to Charters Towers.

Nobody in this region that I have spoken to can justify the proposed seat of Macrossan, and short of keeping Tablelands intact (which many would love, but is impractical due to the requirements of the Electoral Act) they are quite content with the idea of the seat of Palmerston etc as outlined above.

Commissioner, I am aware that relinquishing the idea of Macrossan would be a significant shift from the Electoral Commission's current proposals, but I urge you as strongly as possible to consider my alternative suggestion. The people of Far North Queensland feel that the current recommendations are very out of touch with our way of life up here; they feel that people from the south west corner are unaware of the views of rural people and this proposal fails to provide proper and fair representation for them.

I have tried to think of advantages for the proposed seat of Macrossan, but can only say that the need for a trafficable route parallel to the Bruce Highway is all I can imagine and this could just as easily (or perhaps more easily) be argued by a small number of adjacent members of parliament.

Conversely I feel that for the commission to best fulfill the criteria set out for redistribution, it is imperative that there be a major re-think on the idea of the seat of Macrossan, with that idea replaced by electorates based on coastal towns as the centres of each electorate.

I urge you to take this request very seriously; it is made only with the interests of equitable representation in mind.

Thanking you for your time and consideration,

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