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Submission text: Our current governmental structure (I.e. 3 tiers) was established at a time when travel and communication systems were quite primitive. Hence the initial need for a large and diverse (3 tiered) governance system for our great large and diverse country. Today with the now “excellent/strong transport and communication systems”, our governance system should fit the times and be downsized to become more effective/efficient, and not as large financial/cumbersome burden on the nations populace. The logical change is to “remove one tier of government”. Given our constitution only/already recognises a federal and state based structure, the way to remove one tier of government is to amalgamate local councils together until they are of a size that can enjoy the efficiencies/effectiveness of the “economies of scale” system. At this point governance issues that are common right across our wonderful country (I.e. education, health, police etc) should be federalised, and our small number of state/territories type structure be restructured to one “many state”; namely each of the large/efficient amalgamated councils. These hundreds of smaller sized states can then efficiently and effectively concentrate on the “localised community needs” (I.e. roads, rubbish, sewerage etc). The moving of the suburbs Glendale, Glenlee and Rockyview to the Rockhampton Regional Council is one small positive step towards the “big picture” governance changes required to ensure that Australia can continue to be the wonderful nation that we are also so proud to be part of.

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