



THE FEDERAL
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Comment on objection number 1

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3 pages

Comments on Objection to the proposed redistribution of Queensland

Overall

On the whole, most objections contend with only a few specific issues. Where objections focus on a single, or several related, issues, I have provided comments regarding all objections within scope.

OBI: Hedger

While I agree that "Wide Bay" is a rather bland division name that geographically restricts the location of the division, I do not suggest the name be changed at this time. Wide Bay is a Federation Division, and without compelling reasons, I see no need to change the name.

OB2: Keenan; OB3: Whipps; OB7: Warner; OB13 Synak; OB22: Karandrews (& petitioners) OB23: Synak;

Given the proposed divisions, I do not support these objections. Mount Crosby and Karana Downs are a part of Brisbane, however communities within this area are relatively close to Ipswich, and maintain links with Chuwar. This area also has historic links with Ipswich and in order to accommodate other changes, these changes should proceed. I would also remind objectors to the fact that the redistribution process has no effect on local government, postcode boundaries or connection or delivery services provided by private enterprises.

OB4: Ryan

I agree with the sentiment of this objection, and would support maintaining Mackay within one division. However, given the proposal provided by the Committee, I cannot see that this objection can be upheld.

OB5: Waddell OB21: Yore

I agree with almost all the opinions expressed by these objections. I had the fortune to read both Mr Waddell's and Mr Yore's objections through prior private correspondence. I agree with Mr Waddell's objection to the Brisbane-Ryan boundary, as it parallels my own objection. I agree with Mr Yore's proposal to transfer Moreton Island to Petrie.

OB6: McSweeney

Obviously, I agree with everything that I objected to.

OB8: Mulcair

Once again, I agree with the objections of Dr Mulcair. Following Wardell St to the creek, then along the creek to Waterworks Rd corresponds in part to my objection. However having read other objections regarding Dorrington, I propose that the northern part of this boundary be adjusted as described in these objections (listed below). I have no issue with, and support his proposals in Moreton-Oxley and transfers in Kennedy.

OB9: Liberal National Party

While my original suggestion proposed incorporating Crows Nest into Groom, I believe that such a change is unnecessary and complicated at this time. I do not support this part of the objection. I do support the other objections, namely uniting Burdekin and Moreton Island. I also support transferring Boulia Shire should this opinion be confirmed by Council or local community representatives.

OB10: Richardson

I will admit that I have not read all 62 pages of Mr Richardson's objection. I found the formatting, text size and presentation difficult to read. I note that he seems adamant to continue to advocate for uniting all regional cities, which is admirable. For some reason that I still have not comprehended, this attitude changes considerably when his own home of Cairns is concerned, and he is happy to see this city continue to be split. I do not support his proposed changes.

OB11: Ashley

My own original suggestion proposed transferring the area around Gaythorne from Brisbane to Ryan, while leaving the area east of Enoggera Barracks within Brisbane. I agree that this transfer also assists the below objections regarding Dorrington. I do not see the additional transfers to Lilley described as necessary.

OB12: Rossiter

I agree with Mr Rossiter's objection to move the Fadden-Moncrief boundary north of Stevens St to Lodgers Creek. I support the transfer of Lake Manchester into Blair as it correlates to my own objection. Likewise, I support uniting Burdekin within Dawson and transfer of Boulia to Maranoa. I do not support the complicated transfers in Springfield, nor the transfers in Lilley-Petrie or Brisbane-Ryan.

OB14: Lawson; OB15: Smith; OB16: Metcalfe; OB17: Hagenon; OB20: Richmond;

I agree with the sentiments expressed in these objections. The community of Dorrington would be separated by the Enoggera Barracks from the rest of Ryan, should it be transferred. I support retaining the existing boundary around the Barracks.

OB18: Stormont

I would ultimately like to see the entire locality of Stafford united within the one division, and if this could be accommodated within divisional tolerances I would have no objection to this.

OB19: Townsend

I fully support transferring Lake Manchester into Blair, as I declared in my original objection. I would support retaining part of Karana Downs in Brisbane should this make sense. I agree with the objection to retain Dorrington in Brisbane, I would also agree with uniting Everton Park and Stafford if these changes can be accommodated.