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Dear Redistribution Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to make comments in relation to the 2009 redistribution of electoral division boundaries in Queensland.

Attached are comments on the submissions received by the Committee thus far, along with a proposal that may provide the Committee with a real, viable alternative to the overtly partisan submissions lodged by the major political parties.

It appears from previous redistributions that the Committee is sometimes constrained in implementing the comments and objections made by lay members of the public because of the need to fit these comments into a workable, State-wide solution. This difficulty is perfectly understandable – hence the comments in this submission are made in the context of a workable State-wide proposal which, it is submitted, is far superior to those lodged by the major parties.

This submission is better than those submitted by the major parties because:

- **This submission does not propose any “dog-leg” areas sticking out from the boundaries of divisions.** These dog-leg areas protruding out from the general area of a division are an obvious attempt by political parties to seek to influence the political margins of divisions by joining non-contiguous areas together within one division, when other adjacent areas are more suitable together. For examples, look at the ALP’s suggestion for the north-east corner of Forde, or its suggestion for the north-east corner of Fisher, or look at the LNP’s suggestion for Kennedy or the eastern end of Moreton;
- In fact, **this submission remedies a number of apparent “dog-leg” areas that currently exist** in the present boundaries. For example, it remedies the southern boundary of Herbert (near Kelso), the western boundary of Fairfax, the western boundary of Ryan and the long, narrow strip of suburbs stretching to the south of Petrie. This submission concedes that there were valid reasons for most of these areas at the time they were created (they were usually due to the accumulation of minor changes over several redistributions – such as in Petrie, or followed old LGA boundaries that no longer exist – eg Fairfax). However, the boundaries suggested in this submission will help to diminish the existing dog-leg areas and will thus eliminate a potential source of public criticism in the future;
- This submission will create a set of divisions which better promotes the principle of “one vote, one value”. It creates a set of divisions that **meets more ambitious quota targets of +/-3.00% at the projection date** of 9 July 2012. (Of course the current numerical quotas of +/-10.00% are also met);
- This submission will create **a set of divisions with far simpler boundaries** in total. For every single division, boundaries are proposed that are as simple or even simpler than those which currently exist. This is a really beneficial outcome for electors because it makes it easier for new or transferred electors to identify their new division, their incumbent MP and their candidates at the next election. It will help to decrease confusion and disenfranchisement for a great many electors;

- This submission proposes **no changes to the boundaries of more divisions** than the submissions of the major political parties. This submission leaves four divisions with the same electors (Bonner, Bowman, Griffith and Groom – plus Moncrieff, where a minor change does not require the transfer of any electors), as opposed the ALP submission (two divisions un-changed) and the LNP submission (zero divisions un-changed). Therefore, under this proposal, far more divisions are left unaffected by the redistribution;
- This submission proposes the **creation of a new division** based on Lockyer Valley LGA, Somerset LGA, parts of north and west Ipswich and the far western suburbs of Brisbane City LGA. This is not so different to the submissions of the major political parties, except that this location (north-west of Ipswich) takes more effective advantage of the surplus electors from Moreton LGA and the Sunshine Coast compared to the other submissions;
- **This submission finally proposes a “fix” for the boundaries in the northern suburbs of Brisbane**, which have been distorted for too long due to the narrow, crooked “dog-leg” area in Petrie protruding from the Redcliffe peninsula all the way south to the suburb of Stafford. This submission proposes much better boundaries in this region – the division of Brisbane becomes properly centred on the very inner-suburbs, Lilley better becomes focused on outer north-eastern suburbs along the bayside, Dickson becomes better focused on the outer north-western suburbs, Ryan moves fully north of Brisbane River, and Petrie becomes properly centred on the Redcliffe peninsula and adjoining Bruce Hwy suburbs. These suggestions go a long way towards improving the identifiable communities of interests represented in these five divisions. Furthermore, all of this is achieved without transferring a significant number of electors, when compared to the other submissions or other decisions of the Committee in recent redistributions;
- This submission **maintains or improves the cohesiveness of community interests represented in every single division**. This is more than can be said of the partisan submissions of the major political parties, who apply very loose and inconsistent arguments about what constitutes a good set of community interests, and who basically never mention the means of communication or transport within a division;

It is hoped that, for the first time, the Redistribution Committee is able to take advantage of a genuine alternative to the submissions lodged by the major political parties.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments.

Yours sincerely



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The redistribution and the quota numbers

The Electoral Commissioner has determined that the rapid population growth in Queensland means there must be a redistribution of the federal electoral divisions in the State. Queensland is now entitled to 30 divisions, one more than its previous entitlement of 29.

The Redistribution Committee is to make the proposed redistribution, in accordance with the requirements of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Electoral Act).

The Electoral Commissioner has determined that the quota of electors for Queensland is 88,343 (the current total of 2,650,299 electors divided by the future 30 divisions). The redistribution cannot propose electoral divisions that exceed a margin of 10% below and above this quota (so 90% and 110% of 88,343). The permitted range for the current number of electors within any electoral division is therefore 79,509 to 97,177 electors.

The Electoral Commissioner has also determined that the projection date will be 9 July 2012. On this date, the projected total enrolment for Queensland is 2,916,951. The projected average enrolment of 30 divisions at that time would be 97,232. The redistribution cannot, as far as is practicable, propose electoral divisions that will exceed a margin of 3.5% below and above this average enrolment at the projection date (so 96.5% and 103.5% of 97,232). The permitted range for the number of electors within any electoral division on 9 July 2012 is therefore between 93,829 and 100,634 electors.

Summary of quota numbers:

Quota date:	19 February 2009
Quota	88,343
Lower quota limit:	79,509
Upper quota limit:	97,177
Projection date:	9 July 2012
Average enrolment at projection date:	97,232
Lower projection date limit:	93,829
Upper projection date limit:	100,634

Other important factors to consider

Apart from the quota numbers just outlined, the Redistribution Committee must give consideration to several other factors:

- (a) the community of interests within a proposed electoral division, including economic, social and regional interests;
- (b) the means of communication and travel within a proposed electoral division;
- (c) the physical features and area of a proposed electoral division; and
- (d) the boundaries of existing divisions in the State.

The Redistribution Committee has previously stated that it considers “meeting the quota numbers” to be the primary factor to consider when conducting the redistribution.

The Redistribution Committee has stated that the community of interests, the means of communication and travel, and the physical features and area of the division are secondary factors compared to meeting the quota numbers.

This approach accords with the requirements in sections 66(3)(a) and (b) of the Electoral Act, which expressly state that the secondary factors are “subject to” the primary factor of meeting the quota numbers.

The legislation states that the final factor, to consider the boundaries of existing divisions in the State, is subordinate to all the other factors noted above.

Additionally, the Redistribution Committee has stated that it is also highly desirable for electoral boundaries to be readily recognisable. It therefore uses Local Government boundaries, locality boundaries, main roads, railways, waterways and other linear features as a guide when conducting the redistribution, so long as this approach works within the limits imposed by the quota numbers and the other considerations above.

This submission fully supports this approach and believes it should be continued in the present process.

Summary of importance of factors to take into consideration:

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| 1. Primary factor: | Limits imposed by quota numbers |
| 2. Secondary factors (all equal): | Community of interests within division |
| | Means of communication and travel within division |
| | Physical features and area of division |
| 3. Subordinate factor | Boundaries of existing divisions in the State |
| 4. Other, lesser factors | Having simple and readily recognisable boundaries
(eg LGA boundaries, main roads, locality boundaries etc) |
| | Minimising the number of electors transferred |

The importance of “one vote, one value”

It is worth reiterating why the quota numbers are the primary factor to consider when conducting a redistribution – it ensures adherence to the principle of “one vote, one value”, a fundamental cornerstone of democracy. So long as the number of electors is as close to equal as possible in each division, the value of each vote cast remains equal for every elector.

While there are presumably a number of potential outcomes in this redistribution, it is submitted that the Redistribution Committee should not merely seek to meet the quota limits by proposing divisions which are just a whisker within the quota numbers, if it can help it. Meeting the quota requirements should not be merely treated as a checkbox exercise. Rather, the Redistribution Committee should aim to excel by proposing divisions containing as close to the same number of electors as it can (while still having proper regard to the other considerations such as community of interests, of course). It is submitted that this is the approach that best reflects the intention of the process set out in section 66 of the Electoral Act.

One example might be a hypothetical trade-off between promoting “one vote, one value” and attempting to minimise the number of electors transferred between divisions. Seeking to minimise the number of electors transferred between divisions is a worthy aim, for reasons discussed elsewhere in this submission. However, it is clearly not a factor that was considered important enough to warrant inclusion in the list of priorities stated in the legislation. The quota requirements, on the other hand, are the most important factor to consider, according to the legislation.

Therefore, confronted with a hypothetical choice between an outcome that proposes divisions with closer to equal numbers of electors and one which abandons that principle in order to save transferring a reasonably small number of electors, the Redistribution Committee should choose the first outcome because it appropriately promotes “one vote, one value”. Choosing the alternate approach may fail to comply with the requirements of the legislation.

Furthermore, any approach which merely treated the quota requirements as a checkbox exercise could give rise to a logical or legal paradox. If it is enough to meet the bare minimum requirement of one important factor without aspiring to more, is it enough to meet the bare minimum requirement of the others? What is the bare minimum requirement when considering the secondary factors (community interest, means of travel etc)? After all, these factors are qualitative, not quantitative.

Clearly the only sensible outcome is to aspire to excel in relation to all of the legislative requirements, especially the primary factor, where success will be measured by how close to equal the number of electors will be across all divisions at the projection date.

On that point, note that it is the quota limits at the projection date that are crucial. It is no coincidence that the quota limits at the projection date (+/-3.5%) are far tighter than the current quota limits (+/-10%). Given that the redistribution process can take anything up to one year to complete, the current numbers of electors in proposed divisions are mostly irrelevant to ensuring “one vote, one value” at the time of the next election. In the unprecedented event that an early election *is* called prior to the redistribution process being completed, the recommendations in any partially-completed redistribution would be abandoned in favour of a “mini-redistribution” process, as described in section 76 of the Electoral Act. Therefore, the Redistribution Committee has to proceed on the basis that an election will be called after the redistribution process is completed.

It is therefore submitted that the Redistribution Committee should aim to excel by aiming to create divisions which contain as close as is possible to equal numbers of electors, as at the projection date. To assist, this submission suggests a set of divisions which are within only +/-3.00% of the projection date quota, as at 12 July 2012. These more ambitious quota targets are a small, but significant, step closer to achieving “one vote, one value.”

Having simple, readily recognisable boundaries

It is beneficial to have simple, readily recognisable boundaries for the following reasons:

1. It is easy to explain them to electors;
2. The boundary descriptions are relied upon particularly by new electors or electors who have just moved into an area, in order to understand the division in which they reside. They are also relied upon by electors who are transferred as a result of the redistribution process;
3. An elector who cannot understand the boundaries easily faces an increased risk of disenfranchisement, if they attend the wrong polling booth, or fail to recognise their division or their candidates. On the other hand, if electors can understand the boundaries easily, then there is less chance of confusion, which helps to guard against disenfranchisement.

This submission aims to propose divisions which have simpler boundaries. Whether the boundaries are simpler for a division is usually ascertained by looking at how many “descriptors” are needed to explain the boundary line to an elector. For instance, a road, a watercourse, a railway line, an LGA boundary or a property boundary are all counted as a “descriptor”.

Generally speaking, the more descriptors that are needed to describe the boundaries of a division, the more complicated the boundary is, and the risk of voter confusion is increased.

Of course, this aim is considered less critical than, say, meeting the quota limits or ensuring strong community interests are represented within divisions. Nonetheless, this submission achieves a massive decrease in the total number of boundary descriptors used around the State. Furthermore, this submission manages to make proposals that decrease (or hold constant) the number of boundary descriptors needed for every division that currently exists.

The use of LGA boundaries

With regards to Local Government boundaries, it is noted that the number of Local Government Areas (LGAs) decreased significantly following the amalgamation of councils in 2007.

It is submitted that the Committee should not succumb to the temptation to describe new or existing divisional boundaries as “the old boundary for such-and-such council LGA” when it conducts its redistribution. This type of description is not helpful to those who need to understand the new boundaries the most: new electors and those who move house into a new division. In many cases, these new electors will not be aware of old Council names and boundaries in the area in which they have just enrolled.

Additionally, it should be noted that while LGA boundaries are of less use for determining community interests in inner-city and urban areas, they remain useful for defining community interests in rural and regional areas.

This submission proposes the realignment of divisional boundaries with the new LGA boundaries in several instances. Where this is possible, it tends to simplify the boundary and reinforce conclusions that an acceptable set of community interests has been captured within a division.

Reducing the number of “dog-leg” areas in division boundaries

It is noted that previous redistributions have occasionally been subject to criticism on the basis that they created divisions with “dog-leg” areas that protrude out from the general area of the division.

Generally, the inference drawn in these criticisms has been that “dog-leg” areas might be seen as an attempt to influence the political margins of divisions (for example, by including a certain geographic area in a Division in preference to other areas that may be more closely adjacent to that Division).

A common subject of such criticism has been the division of Petrie, which is based on the Redcliffe Peninsula and adjoining Bruce Highway localities, but which has historically also included a long narrow stretch of geography through Bracken Ridge and Aspley all the way to the inner-city suburb of Stafford.

Other examples of “dog-leg” areas that can be found in the existing divisions include Herbert (the area from Rasmussen to Kelso); Ryan (the north-western boundary of the Brisbane City Council); Brisbane (the area containing Ferny Grove and Keperra), Fairfax (the western area which used to be the boundary of what was the Maroochy Shire Council), the suburb of Murrumba Downs in Dickson, and both the eastern and western extremities of Rankin.

It is submitted that every recent case of “dog-leg” areas appears to have been properly justified at the time on sound community-of-interest reasons. For instance, the existing boundaries of Petrie are due to historical reasons, while many other examples were based on old LGA boundaries (which do not exist this time around).

Nonetheless, this submission has sought to address each one of the cases listed above, and it proposes a set of divisional boundaries which are more immune from such criticism.

All of the divisions proposed in this submission are far more contiguous than was previously the case. They are therefore far less likely to provide ammunition for critics raising claims of political interference.

Notes on determining the location of the new division

It is proposed that the new division be created to contain the Lockyer Valley LGA, Somerset LGA, parts of north and west Ipswich and the far western suburbs of Brisbane City LGA.

This location was determined using the following process of elimination:

Approaching the State in the order outlined in this submission, it becomes apparent that while there are significant numbers of surplus electors in Leichhardt and Herbert, when you consider the sum of Far North Queensland, Central Queensland and South-West Queensland, it is discovered that this large region is self-sufficient in terms of the number of electors needed. So there is no justification for creating a new division in these areas.

That leaves the South East corner of the State. There are three general ‘zones’ containing significant numbers of surplus electors:

1. the Gold Coast (namely, the divisions of Fadden, Forde and McPherson);
2. Ipswich (namely, the divisions of Oxley and Blair); and
3. the area stretching from Wide Bay through the Sunshine Coast to north Brisbane (namely, the divisions of Hinkler, Fairfax, Fisher, Longman and Dickson).

None of these general zones by themselves contain enough surplus electors to create a new division. Therefore, surplus electors will need to be transferred through a chain of divisions between two or more of these zones in order to gather enough surplus electors in one place to found the new division.

If one aim of this redistribution process is to try to minimise the number of electors transferred between divisions, then logic suggests that it is most efficient to locate the division between two of these zones, or near within the zone located in the middle. Geographically, the zone in the middle is Ipswich.

The decision to locate the new division just north of Ipswich, rather than just south of Ipswich, is justified because:

- (a) there are a number of under-quota divisions in south Brisbane (including Moreton and Rankin) which are able to absorb some of the surplus electors from the Gold Coast, which diminishes the contribution that needs to be made to the new division by the Gold Coast zone;
- (b) the northern zone stretches a lot further away from Ipswich, through a greater number of divisions. If reducing the number of electors being transferred between divisions is one aim of this process, then this makes it better to locate the new division closer to the northern zone than the Gold Coast zone. (To see that this is true, note how 1,000 surplus electors that have to be transferred through 10 divisions are just as significant, for the purposes of total elector transfers, as 10,000 surplus electors that need to be transferred next door.

The new division proposed is located in a position where it is able to source surplus electors directly from four over-quota divisions: Oxley, Blair, Dickson and Fisher. This greatly assists when seeking to minimise disruption to electors.

In comparison, the location of the new division proposed by the ALP (south and west of Ipswich) does not take advantage of any surplus electors from Moreton Bay LGA or the Sunshine Coast. It thus causes changes to the divisions around south Brisbane and Logan that are far more excessive than need be the case. Furthermore, the flow-on effects it causes gives the adjacent divisions Blair and Forde truly strange looking boundaries! In the ALP proposal, Blair becomes linked to Somerset LGA via a tiny narrow strip of land containing only one linking road – just looking at the general shape of the boundaries makes it clear there are serious inadequacies in the community interests and means of transport within the division. Forde gains a strange area shaped like the letter M that somehow creeps up all the way to the Bayside, placing the suburb of Carbrook in the same division as the upcoming estates in New Beith, on the other side of Springfield Lakes. Strange “dog-leg” areas in boundaries are an obvious sign of attempts to subvert community interests in favour of political margins.

Similarly, the location of the new division proposed by the LNP misses the opportunity to efficiently transfer surplus electors directly from Moreton Bay LGA and the Sunshine Coast. Instead, their proposal seeks to transfer areas from regional South Queensland. It is discussed elsewhere in this submission how the regional parts of the State are self-sufficient on this occasion, and do not need to contribute surplus electors to the south-east corner.

For these reasons, the location of the new division should be similar to, but not exactly the same as, the proposals made by the major political parties. See the section below titled New Division for the full details of the best boundaries for the new division.

An overview of this submission

In the past, the Committee has generally opted to begin its assessment in a corner of the State, then move to the next adjacent division and so on, throughout the rest of the State. This approach to conducting a redistribution of divisions makes sense for four reasons:

1. The divisions in the corners of the State effectively have fixed boundaries along several sides, due to the existence of the coastline and the State border;
2. The corner divisions are not usually impacted by any flow-on effects caused by any changes to nearby divisions;
3. If the smallest possible changes are made in the corner divisions, this can significantly reduce the impact of flow-on effects throughout other divisions in the rest of the State, which saves electors from being transferred unnecessarily; and
4. The divisions which are most likely to be impacted by the flow-on effects from other divisions should logically be dealt with last, after the extent of the likely flow-on effects is ascertained.

Following the logic previously employed by the Committee, this submission considers the redistribution in three broad stages:

This submission starts in the northern corner of the State, by considering Far North Queensland and Central Queensland. By making the smallest possible changes to Leichhardt, Kennedy and Herbert (while still meeting all other redistribution requirements), the flow-on effects through Central Queensland and beyond are minimised. This can save a large number of electors from being unnecessarily transferred in adjacent areas such as Wide Bay, the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane Valley.

This submission then moves to the southern end of the State. It begins this analysis by looking at Maranoa and Groom, where it is discovered that northern, central and south-western Queensland are self-sufficient in terms of the number of electors needed in these divisions. This confirms that the new division does not need to be located in any of these areas.

The submission then moves to the south east corner of the State. The Gold Coast is a natural place to begin in the south east corner because its boundaries are fixed by the coast and the State border. Similarly, the Brisbane River provides a natural and longstanding boundary for divisions on the Brisbane Bayside and in Brisbane's south-east. By making the smallest possible changes in the Gold Coast, Bayside and Brisbane's southern suburbs, it is then possible to consider the area stretching from Beaudesert and Logan through to Ipswich. because the flow-on effects to this region will have been minimised.

After a consideration of the Ipswich area, it becomes apparent that the creation of the division north of Ipswich is warranted. The new division takes in Lockyer Valley LGA, Somerset LGA, and parts of Ipswich LGA and Brisbane.

The submission then considers northern Brisbane, where it realigns the boundaries of Petrie to create a much more consistent set of community interests in that division. This is followed by an analysis of the Sunshine Coast, and final the Wide Bay-Burnett region.

This submission begins its assessment in the Far North Queensland region, with an analysis of the divisions of Leichhardt, Kennedy and Herbert.

The division of Leichhardt is a natural place to begin the proposal because it is located in the very top of the State and so all its boundaries are fixed by the State border except for one – its southern boundary. This means Leichhardt can never be affected by flow-on effects caused by changes in other divisions.

This is also where the Committee has begun its redistribution in the past, presumably for similar reasons.

Leichhardt

The proposals for Leichhardt made by the ALP and by Bob Katter MP are basically sound. The LNP proposal suggests changes to Leichhardt that are far more drastic than need be the case.

On its current boundaries, Leichhardt will be over-quota at the projection date, meaning that areas containing more than 7,250 future electors must be transferred out of the division. The surplus electors must be transferred into Kennedy (the only division which shares a common boundary with Leichhardt). Flow-on effects through other divisions will be reduced if the transfer is kept as small as possible, but the likely future population growth in the division must also be considered.

All of Leichhardt's boundaries, apart from the southern boundary, are fixed by the State border. Along the southern boundary, there is a choice as to whether changes are made to the rural section of the boundary or to the section which passes through the outer suburbs of Cairns.

We submit that it is more appropriate to make any changes to the part of the southern boundary which passes through the outer suburbs of Cairns, because:

- (a) the rural section of the southern boundary of Leichhardt is a long-standing and well-recognised boundary;
- (b) due to the relatively high number of electors that must be transferred from Leichhardt, it is difficult to nominate any change to the rural section of the boundary that will be significant enough to satisfy the quota requirements but avoid radically altering the current makeup of community interests represented by the division;
- (c) any large changes to the rural section of the boundary, such as those proposed by the LNP, would have an unnecessarily severe effect on the overall physical features and area of the division; and
- (d) all other recent changes to the boundaries of Leichhardt have been made to the part of the boundary passing south of Cairns, so this proposal maintains the approach of previous redistributions.

It is strongly submitted that no changes should be considered which remove vast tracts of the Cape York Peninsula from Leichhardt, because this would radically alter the community interests that have been traditionally represented by the division. It is noted that the Committee has previously expressed support for the notion that redistributions should seek to tie rural areas (with low population growth) to adjacent coastal centres (with high population growth). In regards to Leichhardt, this appears to be the best approach to take once again.

It is proposed that the area to be transferred out of the division should be the most outlying suburbs south of Cairns. This will continue the approach taken in the last redistribution, which removed Gordonvale, Meringa, Mt Peter and Wrights Creek. There is one possible change that will meet the quota requirements and maintain a simple boundary line along the southern edge of the division. That is to remove the entire suburb of Edmonton and the southernmost part of Bentley Park (the part south of Robert Road and east of the railway line).

Remove: part of Cairns (C) – Trinity SLA including CCDs 3012101, 3012103, 3012104, 3012129, 3012202, 3012203, 3012212, 3012213, 3012214, 3012218, 3012220, 3012221, 3012223, 3012702, and part of 3012705 (the part south of Skeleton Creek, as pictured below).

Current boundary for Leichhardt (part near Cairns):



- Current boundary (south of Cairns):**
1. Trinity Inlet
 2. Crookhaven River
 3. Blackfellows Creek
 4. Watercourse
 5. Light Rail Line
 6. Thompson Road
 7. Property bds
 8. Bruce Hwy
 9. Petersen Rd
 10. Coombak Close
 11. Property bds

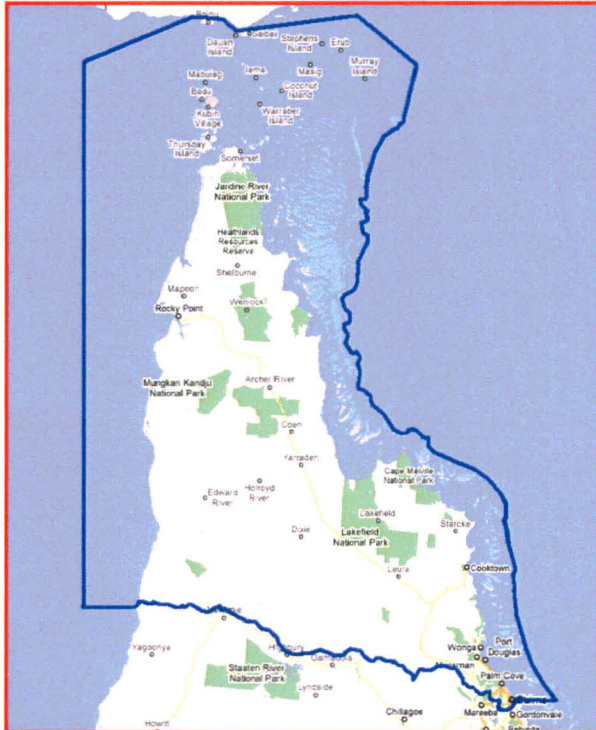
Proposed boundary for Leichhardt (part near Cairns):



- Proposed boundary south of Cairns:**
1. Trinity Inlet
 2. Smiths Creek
 3. Skeleton Creek
 4. Bruce Hwy
 5. Robert Road
 6. A railway line
 7. Blackfellows Creek
 8. Walker Road
 9. Property bds
 10. Whereat Road
 11. Property bds

This proposal maintains the strong community interests that have been traditionally represented by Leichhardt: the Cape York Peninsula and the majority of the City of Cairns. It also maintains the existing area and physical features of the division, as shown here:

Current boundary of Leichhardt



Proposed boundary for Leichhardt



Because only one, fairly minor change is made to the boundary in the south-eastern corner of the division, the current means of travel and communication within the division are maintained.

This proposal transfers approximately 6,379 electors to Kennedy. The proposed division of Leichhardt is 1.26% over the current quota and will be 2.64% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits, and also meets the more ambitious projection date target of +/-3.00%).

This outcome is better than the proposals of the ALP and LNP (particularly the latter) because fewer electors need to be transferred and it produces simpler boundaries.

Summary of proposed division of Leichhardt:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries** (same number of boundary descriptors as previously)
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Kennedy is immediately south of Leichhardt. An assessment of Kennedy therefore follows naturally from an analysis of Leichhardt.

Kennedy

The proposal for Kennedy made by Bob Katter MP is the best out of the proposals submitted because it minimises the changes that need to be made to the division whilst still creating a division containing a close-to-equal number of electors.

The submission of the LNP proposes far more drastic changes for Kennedy than need be the case. It is strongly submitted that the existing boundaries of the division contain a strong set of community interests, which should be maintained to the extent that is possible. The ALP proposal for Kennedy would unnecessarily split the LGA of Charters Towers Regional Council, which is presently wholly contained within Kennedy. As a consequence, it would require the creation of a much more complicated boundary between the two divisions. Also note that the ALP submission proposes changes to Kennedy which place it 3.25% over the projection date quota. The overall suggestion outlined in this submission better promotes “one vote, one value” by achieving more ambitious projection data targets of +/-3.00%.

Returning to basics, Kennedy is not over-quota, but is pushed over quota at the projection date by the unavoidable transfer of electors from Leichhardt. With the 6,379 electors transferred from Leichhardt proposed above, Kennedy requires areas containing more than 4,050 future electors to be transferred out of the division. Flow-on effects through the rest of the State will be reduced if this transfer is kept as small as possible, but again population growth in the division must be considered.

The eastern and western boundaries of Kennedy are fixed by the coastline and State border. The northern boundary is locked in by the changes made to the division of Leichhardt. This means that changes can essentially only be made to the southern boundary. Along the southern boundary, there is a choice as to whether changes are made to the section nearest the Townsville coast, or to the rural inland section of the boundary.

It is submitted that it is more appropriate to make any changes to the southern boundary along the section nearest to the Townsville coast, because:

- (a) due to the number of electors that must be transferred from Kennedy, it is difficult to nominate any change to the rural section of the boundary that will be significant enough to satisfy the quota requirements without radically altering the current makeup of community interests represented by the division;
- (b) any large changes to the rural section of the boundary of Kennedy would have a more severe affect on the overall physical features and area of the division;
- (c) the rural section of the southern boundary of Kennedy is a long-standing and well-recognised boundary;
- (d) the Committee has previously received strong submissions against separating many of the rural local government areas that makeup the division of Kennedy; and
- (e) other recent changes to the boundaries of Kennedy have been made near to Townsville, so this proposal maintains the approach of previous redistributions.

It is strongly submitted that no changes should be considered which remove vast tracts of the regional shires such as Mount Isa, Cloncurry or Charters Towers from Kennedy, because this would alter the regional community interests that have been traditionally represented by the division. In addition, it would significantly affect the physical features and area represented by Kennedy, and the means of travel and communication within the division.

There is one very simple change that will meet the quota requirements, maintain a straightforward boundary line along the southern edge of the division *and* align the division more closely with LGA borders. That is to simply remove the southernmost part of the remainder of Townsville City Council LGA.

Add (from Leichhardt):

part of Cairns (C) – Trinity SLA, including CCDs 3012101, 3012103, 3012104, 3012129, 3012202, 3012203, 3012212, 3012213, 3012214, 3012218, 3012220, 3012221, 3012223, 3012702, and part of 3012705.

Remove:

remainder of Condon-Rasmussen-Bohle Basin SLA
part of Northern Beaches-Pinnacles SLA, including CCDs 3040801, 3040808 and 3040815.

Current boundary of Kennedy (part near Townsville):



Current boundary near Townsville:

1. Coastline
2. A line
3. A line
4. Coastline
5. Black River
6. North Coast Railway
7. Bohle River
8. Property bdys
9. Lake Ross
10. Central Creek
11. Property bdy
12. Boundary of Mingela State Forest
13. A line
14. Boundary of Mingela State Forest
15. Charters Towers LGA
(prev Dalrymple LGA)

Proposed boundary for Kennedy (part near Townsville):



Proposed boundary near Townsville:

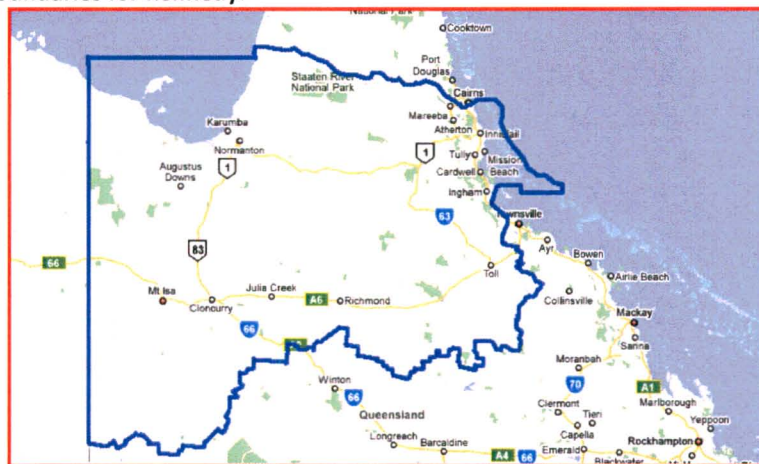
1. Coastline
2. Black River
3. Alice River
4. A line
5. Hinchinbrook Shire LGA
6. Charters Towers LGA

A much simpler boundary, with only 6 descriptors, not 15 (9 less).

Current boundaries for Kennedy:



Proposed boundaries for Kennedy:



This proposal transfers 5,222 electors from Kennedy into Dawson (not Herbert, because it is already over-quota).

The proposed division of Kennedy is 6.18% over the current quota and will be 1.58% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits).

Summary of proposed division of Kennedy:

- ✓ **Within quota limits**
- ✓ **Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- ✓ **Much simpler boundaries – 9 less boundary descriptors needed**
- ✓ **Better community interests represented**
- ✓ **Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- ✓ **Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The divisions of Herbert and Dawson are immediately south-east of Kennedy. The excess electors from Kennedy could be transferred into either of these, but Herbert is already over-quota. It will minimise the total number of electors transferred in the redistribution if the excess electors from Kennedy are transferred into Dawson.

Given that excess electors from both Herbert and Kennedy will impact upon Dawson, Herbert should be considered first.

Herbert

On its current boundaries, Herbert will be over-quota at the projection date, meaning that an area containing at least 1,900 electors at the projection date must be transferred out of the division. Excess electors must be transferred into Dawson, given that Leichhardt and Kennedy have already been finalised.

As with other divisions located in the far north of the State, flow-on effects through other divisions will be reduced if the transfer is kept as small as possible, but the likely future population growth in the division must also be considered.

Changes could potentially be proposed to any of the boundaries of Herbert. None stand out as being more longstanding or crucial to the community interests represented in the division. Generally, recent redistributions have continued to shrink the boundaries of Herbert as the population of Townsville has grown. As a result, the division is becoming more and more focused on the community interests in inner Townsville.

In order to continue this approach, it is necessary to consider what areas the least connected to the inner-Townsville community Herbert now represents. Geographic proximity is likely to be a significant factor to consider. On this basis, there appear to be three outlying areas: the islands off the coast and the outlying mainland suburbs of Kelso and Bushland Beach.

It has been submitted in previous redistributions that the Palm Islands should be removed from the division. However, the Committee has previously chosen not to adopt this suggestion.

It is submitted that the case for the removal of the Palm Islands is getting stronger as the boundaries of Herbert shrink towards the Townsville city centre. However, on this occasion, there are more apparent and urgent changes that should be made to the boundaries – in particular, the removal of the southernmost parts of Kelso.

The existing southern boundary of Herbert, around the suburbs of Kelso and Rasmussen, is one of the current examples of “dog-leg” areas that protrude from the general area of the division. It was explained previously why these “dog-leg” areas can be subject to public criticism. It is submitted that the Committee was previously justified in creating this boundary, on the grounds of community interests and means of travel (it kept a string of suburbs together along the Ross River). However, “dog-leg” areas are best avoided if possible, and there are now a number of reasons why this area should be removed:

- (a) the suburb of Kelso is the mainland suburb which is furthest by road from the Townsville city centre, and which is therefore the least connected to the existing community interests represented by Herbert. That is not to say that Kelso has no connection with inner-city Townsville – far from it – merely that it has *less* of a connection than other, closer suburbs, such as Annandale or Mount Low. Bushland Beach is a similar distance by road from the Townsville city centre, but is connected by the Bruce Highway rather than local roads;
- (b) recall that parts of Townsville City LGA that were previously within Kennedy has now been transferred to Dawson, to be reunited with the other rural part of Townsville City LGA currently within Dawson.

Removing Kelso from Herbert will improve the level of connectedness between the eastern half and western half of the Townsville City Council LGA within Dawson;

(c) it will diminish the “dog-leg” area and so avoid a topic of potential public criticism.

It is therefore suggested that part of the suburb of Kelso be removed from Herbert. It is also submitted that a small area of Wulguru (on the eastern side of Stuart Hwy) be removed from Herbert, which makes for a simpler boundary line along that edge of the division.

Remove: part of Kelso SLA, including CCDs 3041102, 3041103 and 3041114.
part of Wulguru SLA, being the CCD 3043203.

Current boundary of Herbert (part around Townsville): **Proposed boundary of Herbert (part around Townsville):**



- Current boundary from Wulguru to Kelso:**
1. Flinders Hwy
 2. Dommett Street
 3. A line
 4. North Coast Railway line
 5. A line
 6. Flinders Hwy
 7. Property bdys
 8. Ross River
 9. Lake Ross
 10. Property bdy
 11. Kelso Drive
 12. Round Mountain Road
 13. Property bdys
 14. Bohle River

- Proposed boundary from Wulguru to Kelso:**
1. Flinders Hwy
 2. Property bdys
 3. Ross River
 4. A line
 5. Ponti Road
 6. Ross River Road
 7. Dunlop Street
 8. Oldenburg Place
 9. Property bdys
 10. Bohle River
- A simpler boundary, with only 10 descriptors needed, not 14 (4 less).**

The number of descriptors needed to describe that section of the boundaries of Herbert is reduced from 14 to 10. This means that the new southern boundary is simpler and will be very easy for electors to understand.

This proposal maintains the strong community interests that have been traditionally represented by Herbert – namely the city of Townsville and inner-Townsville areas, plus Palm Island. The only change in these community interests is to remove part of some of the most outlying suburbs.

This proposal retains the existing means of travel and communication within Herbert. It also maintains the existing physical features and area of the division.

This proposal transfers 2,144 electors from Herbert into Dawson. The proposed division of Herbert is 1.76% over the current quota and will be 2.96% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits and within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

This proposal is superior to those submitted by the ALP and LNP, because it makes far fewer changes to the existing boundaries and better maintains the existing community interests represented by the division. The ALP and LNP proposals contain suggestions that are too excessive. For instance, both cause many more electors to be transferred between divisions.

Summary of proposed division of Herbert:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 4 less boundary descriptors needed**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Dawson is immediately south-east of Kennedy and Herbert, and absorbs the surplus electors from these divisions.

Dawson

Dawson is not over-quota in its own right, but it *is* affected by the flow-on effects of changes made to other divisions to its north. With the proposed intake of 5,222 electors from Kennedy and 2,144 electors from Herbert, Dawson requires the removal of an area that contains more than 3,850 electors at the projection date.

Flow-on effects through the rest of the State will be reduced if this transfer is kept as small as possible, but again the future population growth in the division must be considered.

Note that the ALP submission manages to make more minimal changes to Dawson, but only because it sacrifices considerable voter equality in the neighbouring division of Kennedy. By leaving more electors within Kennedy, the ALP submission minimises the transfer of electors into, and out of, Dawson. But Kennedy becomes a division that contains far more electors than average. This proposal recognises that “one vote, one value” is the most important factor to consider in the relevant legislation. It is therefore submitted that the extra electors should be transferred, as described below, for the benefits gained when considering the number of electors contained in each division at the projection date.

The eastern boundary of Dawson is fixed by the coastline and by the boundaries of Herbert. The northern and north-western boundaries of Dawson are locked in by the changes already proposed for Kennedy.

Therefore, changes to Dawson can only be made to its southern and south-western boundaries. These boundaries contain the part of Mackay Regional Council LGA that is presently within Dawson, including the city of Mackay and some localities surrounding the southern outskirts of the city.

A very simple change can be made here – simply transfer the parts of Mackay Regional Council LGA that are outside of the suburban fringe of Mackay to the division of Capricornia. The division of Capricornia already contains outlying localities such as Rosella, McEwens Beach and Greenmount. This will reunite, within one division, these localities with other localities situated south of Mackay, such as Bakers Creek, Walkerston and Ooralea..

Add (from Kennedy):

remainder of Condon-Rasmussen-Bohle Basin SLA
part of Northern Beaches-Pinnacles SLA, including CCDs 3040801, 3040808 and 3040815.

Add (from Herbert):

part of Kelso SLA, including CCDs 3041102, 3041103 and 3041114.
part of Wulguru SLA, being the CCD 3043203.

Remove:

part of Mackay (R) – Mackay Pt A, including CCDs 3051507, 3051508, 3051509, 3051510, 3051511, 3051513, 3051520, 3051805, 3051811, 3051814 and 3051818.

It is submitted that this approach is far preferable to making changes that would divide electors who live in the suburbs of Mackay into two different divisions.

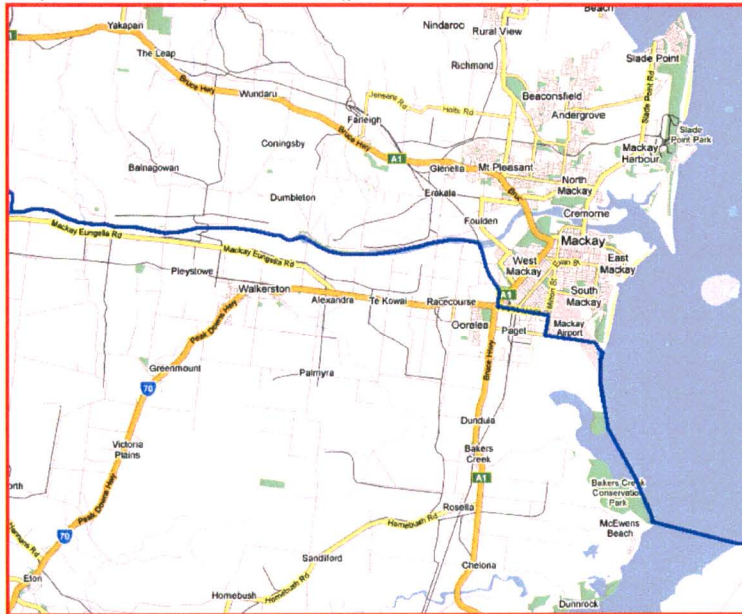
Current boundary of Dawson (part near Mackay):



Current boundary near Mackay:

1. Coastline
2. Property bds
3. Walz Road
4. Bruce Highway
5. Homebush Road
6. North Coast Railway Line
7. A line
8. Property bds
9. Lembergs Road
10. Barkers Creek
11. Property bds
12. Pioneer River

Proposed boundary of Dawson (part near Mackay):



Proposed boundary near Mackay:

1. Coastline
2. Property bdy
3. East Boundary Road
4. Milton Street
5. Archibald Street
6. Nebo Road / Bruce Hwy
7. Alexandra Street
8. North Coast Railway Line
9. Pioneer River

A simpler boundary, with only 9 descriptors, not 12 (3 less).

These boundaries are much simpler than the previous boundaries, needing only 9 descriptors to describe the boundaries around Mackay to electors (presently you 12 descriptors are needed). This makes the overall boundaries for Dawson far simpler and easier to understand for new and transferred electors, which will help reduce disenfranchisement.

The boundary near Townsville changes as follows:

Current boundary of Dawson (part near Townsville):



Proposed boundary of Dawson (part near Townsville):



Considering Dawson from an overall perspective, it is presently a coastal division, including electors from the outskirts of Townsville and the city centre and outskirts of Mackay (and all of the coastline in between). This submission does not seek to alter that overall community makeup. It merely proposes to add further electors from the outskirts of Townsville and remove some electors from the outskirts of Mackay:

Before:

- Part of Townsville LGA
- All of Burdekin LGA
- Part of Whitsunday LGA
- Part of Mackay LGA

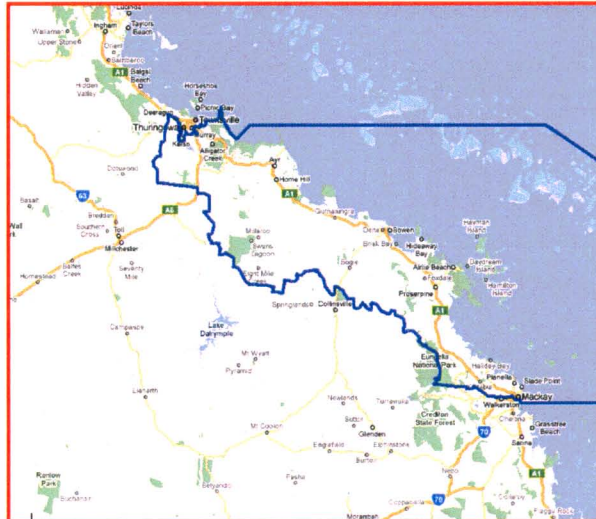
After:

- Part of Townsville LGA (more)
- All of Burdekin LGA
- Part of Whitsunday LGA
- Part of Mackay LGA (less)

Current boundary of Dawson:



Proposed boundary of Dawson:



As illustrated, this proposal retains the existing means of travel and communication within Dawson. It also maintains the existing physical features and area of the division. This proposal transfers 4,680 electors from Dawson into Capricornia. The proposed division of Dawson is 3.22% over the current quota and will be 2.15% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits, and meets the more ambitious projection date target of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed division of Dawson:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 3 less boundary descriptors needed**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Capricornia is immediately south of Dawson, and will absorb the surplus electors from the divisions to its north, so it is necessary to consider it next.

Capricornia

This submission supports the ALP proposal for the southern boundary of Capricornia, creating a boundary around the suburbs of Rockhampton, and transferring the balance of Fitzroy SLAs and Mount Morgan into Flynn. This is the approach that best maintains the existing community interests, area and geographic features represented within Capricornia. It also creates a much simpler boundary.

However, for the reasons explained in the section on Dawson above, it is proposed that the northern boundary of Capricornia should only move marginally in the area close to Mackay. It is submitted that including parts of Charters Towers and Dalrymple in this division is far too drastic a change – it radically alters the area and geographic features of both divisions, it requires splitting an LGA that is presently wholly contained in the division of Kennedy; and because it splits an LGA it creates a much more complicated boundary line that will cause unnecessary confusion for electors.

Capricornia in its own right is not over-quota, although it is close to our more ambitious quota targets +3.00% at the projection date. However, it becomes over-quota due to the flow-on effects of changes made to other divisions to its north. With the proposed intake of 4,680 electors from Dawson, Capricornia requires the removal of an area containing at least 4,630 electors at the projection date to meet the quota limits.

The eastern boundary of Capricornia is fixed by the coastline. Its northern boundary is locked in by the changes already made to Dawson and Kennedy.

Therefore, changes to Capricornia can only be made to its southern boundary, which it shares with the division of Flynn. Changes could potentially be made to either the rural section of the southern boundary, or to the coastal section that runs through Rockhampton Regional Council LGA.

It is submitted that changes should be made to coastal section of Capricornia's southern boundary, rather than the rural section of the boundary, because:

- a) the current rural boundary aligns perfectly with the border of Isaac Regional Council LGA, which is a well-recognised and convenient boundary line;
- b) any other potential boundary through the middle of Isaac LGA would be a lot more difficult to describe to electors, and therefore could lead to confusion and disenfranchisement; and
- c) due to the number of electors that must be transferred from Capricornia, it is difficult to nominate any change to the rural section of the boundary that is significant enough to satisfy the quota requirements but would not radically alter the current makeup of community interests represented by the division;

It is submitted that no changes should be considered which remove vast tracts of Isaac LGA from Capricornia because this would alter the regional community interests that are represented by the division. In addition, it would significantly affect the physical features and area represented by Capricornia, as well as the means of travel and communication within the division.

Instead, it is possible, if the ALP proposal is adopted in this part, to make a change that transfers more of southern Rockhampton Regional Council LGA into Flynn, whilst keeping the entirety of Rockhampton city within the division of Capricornia.

Add (from Dawson):

part of Mackay (R) – Mackay Pt A, including CCDs 3051507, 3051508, 3051509, 3051510, 3051511, 3051513, 3051520, 3051805, 3051811, 3051814 and 3051818.

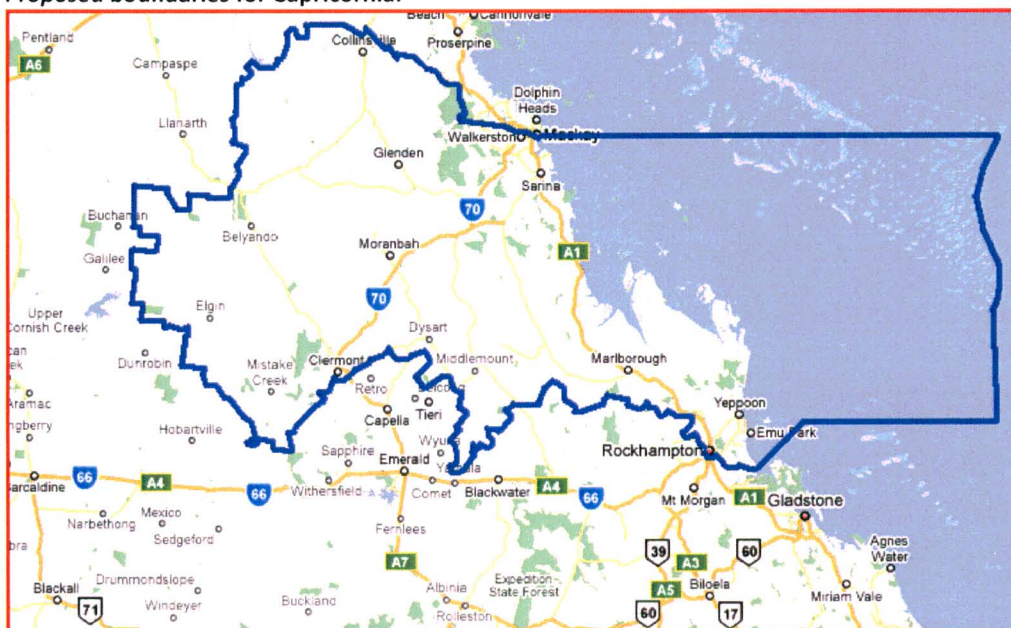
Remove:

all of Rockhampton (R) - Fitzroy Pt A SLA.
all of Rockhampton (R) - Fitzroy Pt B SLA.
all of Rockhampton (R) - Mount Morgan SLA.

Current boundaries for Capricornia:



Proposed boundaries for Capricornia:



This proposal will meet the statistical quota requirements, whilst maintaining the existing community interests represented by both Capricornia as follows:

Current:

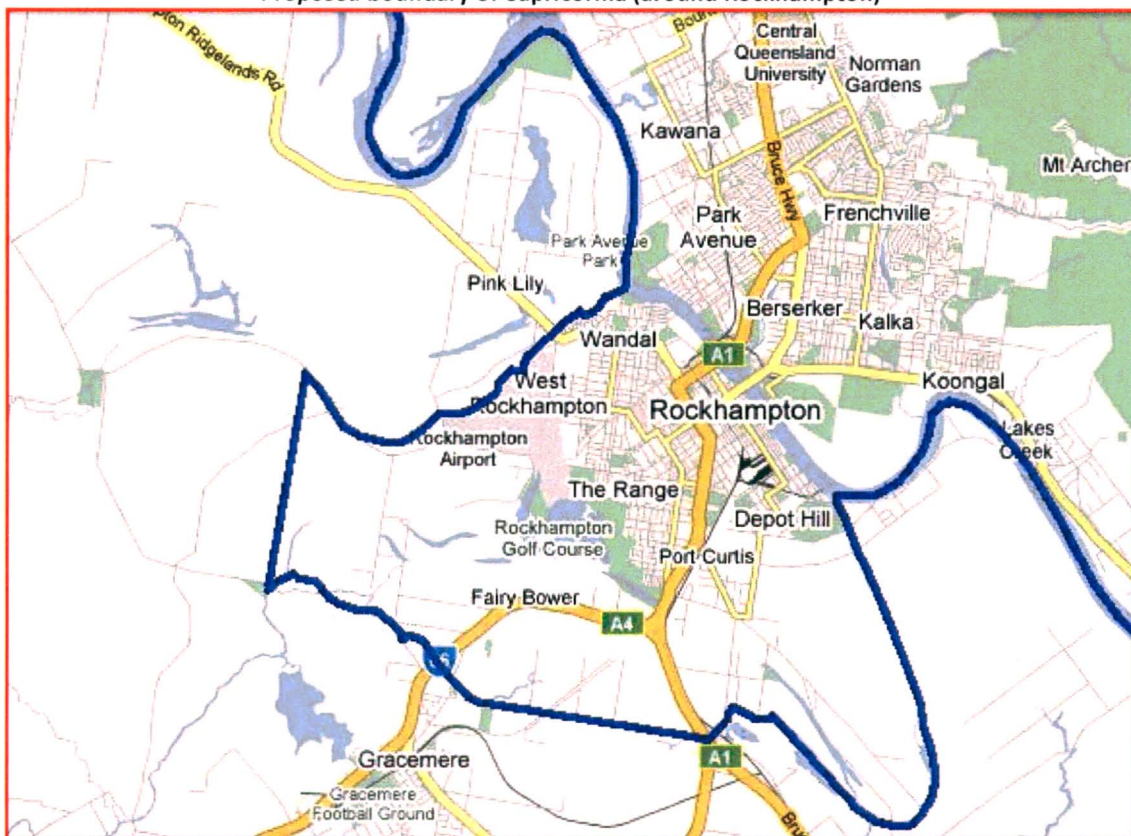
- Part of Mackay LGA
- Part of Whitsunday LGA
- All of Isaac LGA
- Part of Rockhampton LGA

Proposed:

- Part of Mackay LGA (more)
- Part of Whitsunday LGA
- All of Isaac LGA
- Part of Rockhampton LGA (less)

As shown below, this proposal ensures that all of central Rockhampton is retained within Capricornia. Only the towns located in southern Rockhampton Regional Council LGA are removed, being Mount Morgan and

Proposed boundary of Capricornia (around Rockhampton)



When taken together with the changes to the northern boundary of Capricornia (around Mackay), the boundary of the proposed Capricornia is much simpler than the current boundary, in terms of the number of descriptors needed to describe it to electors:

Current boundary around eastern side of Capricornia:

1. Pioneer River
2. Property bdys
3. Barkers Creek
4. Lembergs Road
5. Property bdys
6. A line
7. North Coast Railway Line
8. Homebush Road
9. Bruce Highway
10. Walz Road
11. Property bdys
12. Coastline
13. A line
14. Isaac LGA boundary
15. Rockhampton LGA boundary
16. Property bdys
17. Razorback Road
18. Property bdys
19. Mount Morgan Branch Road
20. Kabra Road
21. A railway line
22. Central Railway line
23. Property bdys
24. A lake
25. Holland Street
26. Capricorn Highway
27. Archer Road
28. McLaughlin Street
29. Property bdys
30. Scrubby Creek
31. A line
32. Nine Mile Road
33. Lion Creek
34. Fitzroy River

Proposed boundary around eastern side of Capricornia:

1. Pioneer River
2. North Coast Railway Line
3. Alexandra Street
4. Nebo Road (Bruce Hwy)
5. Archibald Street
6. Milton Street
7. East Boundary Road
8. Property bdy
9. Coastline
10. A line
11. Isaac LGA boundary
12. Rockhampton LGA boundary
13. Fitzroy River
14. Gavial Creek
15. Property bdys
16. A creek
17. Property bdys
18. Nine Mile Road
19. Lion Creek
20. Fitzroy River

14 less descriptors needed to describe the eastern boundary of Capricornia

This proposal transfers 7,430 electors from Capricornia into Flynn, the same as the ALP proposal. The proposed division of Capricornia will be 2.93% over the current quota and will be 0.22% under the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits, and well within our more ambitious projection date target of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed division of Capricornia:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Much simpler boundaries (14 less boundary descriptors needed)**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Flynn is immediately south of Capricornia, and absorbs the surplus electors from the divisions to its north, so it is necessary to consider Flynn next.

After considering Flynn we move from our analysis of Central Queensland and move to the Southern corners of the State, Maranoa and then McPherson.

Flynn

For the reasons explained above in the section on Capricornia, it is submitted that the ALP proposal for the boundary between Capricornia and Flynn should be adopted. The ALP's proposals for the boundary between Flynn and Maranoa are also mostly sound, although they are more excessive than need to be the case (there is no need or justification for transferring Blackall SLA).

Flynn is within the allowable quota limits, however it becomes over-quota at the projection date due to the flow-on effects of changes made to other divisions to its north. With the proposed intake of 7,430 electors from Capricornia, Flynn requires the transfer of more than 2,200 electors out of the division to meet the quota limits at the projection date. As always, flow-on effects through the rest of the State will be reduced if this transfer is kept as small as possible. On this particular occasion, it is possible to make a change that ensures no flow-on effects affect further divisions throughout the State.

The eastern boundary of Flynn is fixed by the coastline. Its northern boundary is locked in by the changes already made to Capricornia and Kennedy.

Therefore, changes to Flynn can really only be made along its southern boundary, which it shares with the divisions of Maranoa, Wide Bay and Hinkler. Changes could potentially be made to either the rural section of the southern boundary, shared with Maranoa, or to the more coastal section shared with Hinkler and Wide Bay. Given that Hinkler is already over-quota, it would be counter-productive to transfer surplus electors across that boundary.

There are two relatively simple, yet very effective, changes that should be made to the southern boundary of Flynn, both of which involve the realignment of the boundary with new LGA boundaries. Elsewhere in this submission it is explained that while LGA boundaries are not always the best determinant of community interests in urban areas, they are much more useful in rural and regional areas. In particular, they are readily recognisable and easy to understand for those electors who are new to an area or who have been transferred between divisions.

The two changes proposed for the southern boundary of Flynn, on the basis of new LGA boundaries are:

1. Allocate the region south of the town of Taroom according to the new boundary that runs between Dalby Regional Council LGA and Banana Shire Council LGA, so that the northern part of Dalby LGA is reunited with the southern part already contained in Maranoa; and
2. Reunite Wondai SLA with the majority of South Burnett Regional Council SLA contained in Maranoa.

Ideally, it would be beneficial to then reunite Biggenden SLA with the majority of North Burnett Regional Council LGA already contained in Flynn. However, this will not be possible within the allowable quota limits. Furthermore, it would involve a wasteful transfer of electors back in a direction from which surplus electors are already flowing, which would unnecessarily increase the total number of electors being transferred in this redistribution. That sort of two-way transfer would only be justified where it would significantly enhance a potential community of interests, which is not the case here.

For similar reasons, there is no need to take the additional step of transferring Blackall-Tambo into Maranoa, which is what the ALP has proposed. The rest of the ALP proposal for Flynn is sound, but transferring Blackall-Tambo is unnecessary and unjustified. It would simply transfer more electors than needs to occur.

Add (from Capricornia):

- all of Rockhampton (R) - Fitzroy Pt A SLA
- all of Rockhampton (R) - Fitzroy Pt B SLA
- all of Rockhampton (R) - Mount Morgan SLA

Remove:

- part of Banana (S) SLA, including part of CCD 3080903 (south of the new LGA boundary)
- part of Dalby (R) - Murilla-Wandoan SLA, including CCDs 3080908, 3080909, 3080910 and 3080911 and parts of 3080906 and 3080907 (the parts south of the new LGA boundary)
(These two changes above ensure the new boundary aligns perfectly with new LGA boundaries)
- all of South Burnett (R) – Wondai SLA

Current boundaries of Flynn



Proposed boundaries of Flynn



The two changes proposed to Flynn transfer a total of 4,016 electors to the division of Maranoa. As will be seen next, this corrects perfectly for Maranoa being under-quota, which means no flow-on effects impact upon further divisions. Note that this transfer is smaller and more efficient than the one proposed by the ALP.

The proposed division of Flynn is 4.44% over the current quota and will be 1.44% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits, and well within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

The boundaries are simplified as follows:

Current boundary near Taroom (26 descriptors needed):

Banana Shire LGA boundary - Property bdys – Dascombes Road – Zilmans Road – Property bdys – Knights Road – Old Chinchilla Road – Property bdy – Upper Downfall Creek Road – Martindale Road – Stiller Brothers Road – Property bdys – Gurulmundi Road – Property bdys – Gurulmundi Road – Jackson Wandoan Road – Property bdys – Sugarloaf Road – Property bdy – Sugarloaf Road – Property bdys – Slate Hill Creek Road – Property bdys – Roma Taroom Road – Property bdys – Banana Shire LGA boundary

Proposed boundary near Taroom (1 descriptor needed – 25 less!): Banana Shire LGA boundary.

Current boundary near Wondai (35 descriptors needed):

North Burnett Regional Council LGA – Property bdys – Durah Boondoomba Road – Burra Burri Ck Road – Hoares Boundary Road – Property bdys – Chinchilla Wondai Road – Allcocks Boundary Road – Covertly Road – Duffs Boundary Road – Underwoods Road – Property bdys – Belgrave Road – Property bdys – Cants Road – Home Creek Road – Wellers Road – Dunforde Road – Learmonts Road – Transmitter Road – Wondai East Road – Transmitter Road – Hoggs Road – Charlestown Boundary Road – Property bdys – Hoggs Road – Old Wondai Road – Property bdys – Castledine Road – Barker Creek – Lake Barambah – Property bdys – South Burnett Regional Council LGA boundary – Barambah Creek – North Burnett Regional Council LGA boundary

Proposed boundary near Wondai (1 descriptor needed – 34 less!): North Burnett Regional Council boundary.

Having regard to the fact that 14 additional descriptors are needed along the northern boundary near Rockhampton, Flynn can now be described to electors using 73 less descriptors. This is a vast improvement for the purposes of keeping boundaries simple and easy to understand.

This proposal will maintain the existing means of travel and communication within Flynn. It will also maintain the physical features and area of the division, as illustrated above.

The existing community interests represented by Flynn are also mostly maintained. If anything, the community interests represented by Flynn become more cohesive, due to the better correlation of Flynn’s boundaries with the boundaries of the relevant regional LGAs. The improvement in Flynn’s community interests is summarised here:

Current:

All of Winton LGA
 All of Longreach LGA
 All of Barcaldine LGA
 All of Blackall-Tambo LGA
 All of Central Highlands LGA
 All of Banana Shire LGA
 Part of Dalby LGA
 Part of North Burnett LGA
 Part of South Burnett LGA
 Part of Bundaberg LGA
 All of Gladstone LGA
 Part of Rockhampton LGA

Proposed:

All of Winton LGA
 All of Longreach LGA
 All of Barcaldine LGA
 All of Blackall-Tambo LGA
 All of Central Highlands LGA
 All of Banana Shire LGA
 Part of North Burnett LGA
 Part of Bundaberg LGA
 All of Gladstone LGA
 Part of Rockhampton LGA (more)

Note how Flynn becomes more concentrated on its main constituent LGA areas, after the removal of the small parts of Dalby LGA and South Burnett LGA it presently contains.

Also note how several “dogleg” areas are removed from the general geographic shape of Flynn, particularly around Wondai and Rockhampton, resulting in smoother and more consistent looking boundaries overall.

Summary of proposed division of Flynn:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Much simpler boundaries – 73 less boundary descriptors needed**
- Similar or even better community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Maranoa is immediately south and south-west of Flynn. It extends to the far south-western corner of the State.

The surplus electors carried over from the northern end of the State can be transferred into Maranoa, without the need for further flow-on effects to other divisions. This effectively proves that there is no need for the new division to be located in the north or western parts of Queensland.

After examining Maranoa and Groom, we move to an assessment of the final corner of Queensland, starting in the very corner of the State with the division of McPherson.

Maranoa

Maranoa is presently under-quota at the projection date. It needs at least 3,000 additional electors at the projection date in order to be within the allowable quota limits.

As noted above, 4,016 electors are able to be transferred from the division of Flynn, which is over-quota after absorbing excess electors from other divisions further north.

It is submitted that this transfer from Flynn should be conducted, because:

- (a) Maranoa would then be within the allowable quota limit (even better, it would meet our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%);
- (b) no further changes would need to be made to Maranoa, meaning that no flow-on effects would need to impact on other divisions in the south-east corner of the State; and
- (c) this change would better align the boundaries of Maranoa with the boundaries of some of its major LGAs, including Dalby Regional Council and South Burnett Regional Council.

This stage of the submission effectively proves that there is no need for the new division in Queensland to be located in the northern, central or western parts of the State. As demonstrated by the preceding analysis, these parts of the State are clearly self-sufficient in terms of the number of electors they require post-redistribution.

Note that the LNP submission tries to suggest that it is necessary to use part of Maranoa to create the new division. As seen here, since the rural and regional parts of the State are entirely self-sufficient in terms of the number of electors they contain, there is absolutely no need for any transfer of electors to occur from the rural / regional parts of the state to the south east corner.

Add (from Flynn):

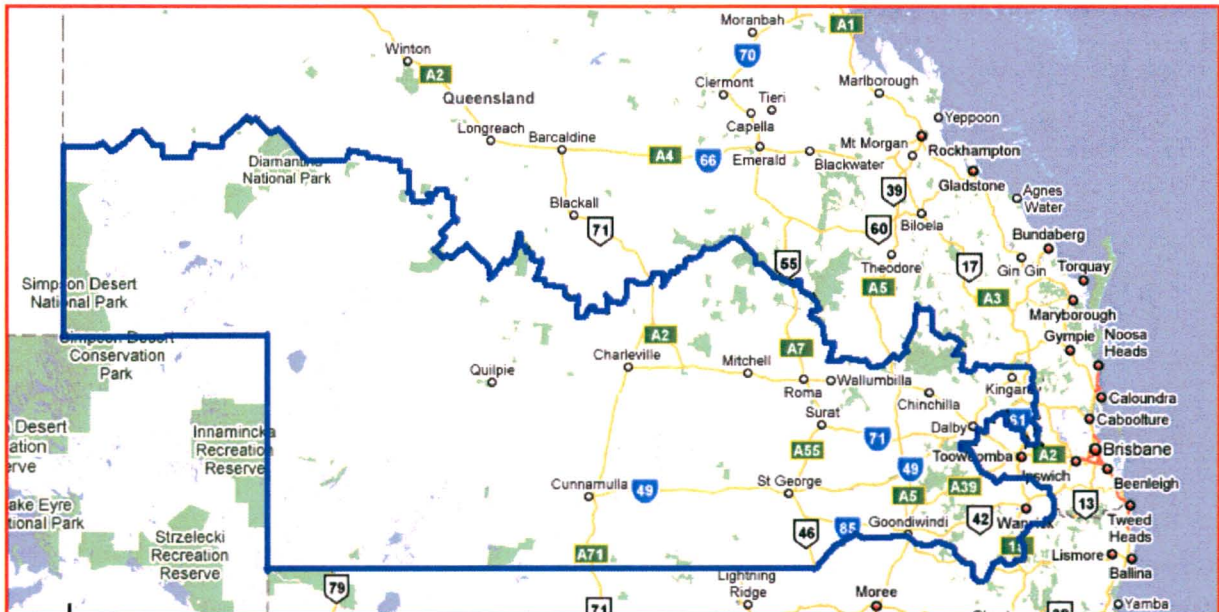
- part of Banana (S) SLA, including part of CCD 3080903 (south of the new LGA boundary)
- part of Dalby (R) - Murilla-Wandoan SLA, including CCDs 3080908, 3080909, 3080910 and 3080911 and parts of 3080906 and 3080907 (the parts south of the new LGA boundary)
- all of South Burnett (R) – Wondai SLA

Remove: nil

This proposal will maintain the existing means of travel and communication within Maranoa. It will also maintain the physical features and area of the division, as illustrated above. The community interests within Maranoa will remain similar, since no areas are lost and no new LGA areas are introduced. If anything, the communities of

interests represented by Maranoa become slightly more cohesive, due to the better correlation of its boundaries with the boundaries of its constituent LGAs. Also note that there is no need to take the additional step of transferring Blackall-Tambo from Flynn into Maranoa, as is suggested by the ALP. This step would simply cause too many electors to be unnecessarily disrupted.

Current boundaries of Maranoa:



Proposed boundaries for Maranoa:



The proposed division of Maranoa is 3.91% over the current quota and will be 2.20% under the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits and within the more ambitious projection date target of +/-3.00%).

Lastly, because it shares a boundary with Flynn that is vastly simplified by this proposal, the proposed boundary changes for Maranoa significantly reduce the number of descriptors needed to describe the boundaries to electors. In total, 59 less descriptors are needed to describe the proposed boundaries to electors, which will clearly go a considerable way towards preventing elector confusion and disenfranchisement.

Summary of proposed division of Maranoa:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Much simpler boundaries – 59 less boundary descriptors needed**
- Similar or even better community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Groom, centred on Toowoomba, is mostly surrounded by Maranoa.

No changes are necessary for Groom, and it is dealt with now for convenience.

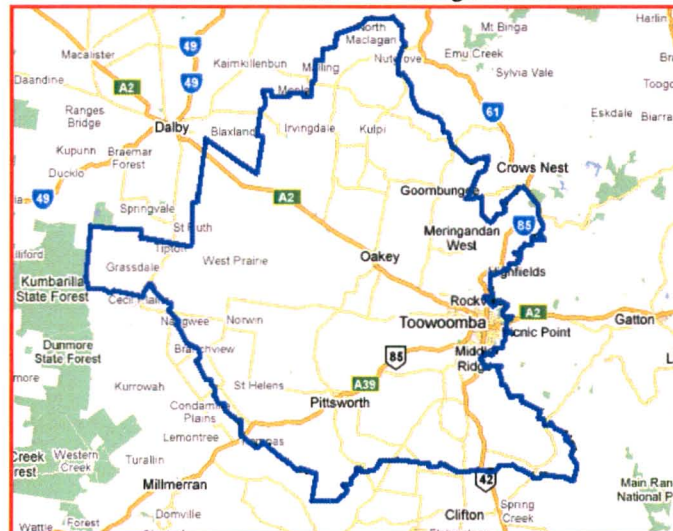
Groom

The ALP proposal for Groom (no changes) should be adopted. The LNP proposal for Groom unnecessarily transfers electors between divisions.

Groom is currently within quota and it will remain within quota at the projection date.

Given that no flow on effects from Maranoa need to occur in this region, no changes need to be made to the boundaries of Groom. As such, its existing community interests, its geographic features and area, the means of travel and communication within the division, and its current boundaries, are all maintained.

Boundaries of Groom – no changes needed:



With no changes, Groom is 3.66% over the current quota and will be 0.05% *under* the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits).

Remove: nil

Summary of proposed division of Groom:

- ☑ **Within quota limits**
- ☑ **Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- ☑ **Simple boundaries –no changes proposed to existing boundaries**
- ☑ **Maintains existing community interests within division**
- ☑ **Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- ☑ **Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

Having dealt with the northern and western corners of the State, we move to the final, south-east corner of Queensland. By first dealing with the corners of the State (where it is extremely unlikely that any new division would ever be created), it becomes a simpler task to determine where the new division should be located.

The division of McPherson is located in the south-east corner of the State, so it is the natural place to begin.

McPherson

The division of McPherson is the natural place to begin in South East Queensland because it is in the very corner of the State and its boundaries are fixed along two sides (the State border and the coastline). This means that it can never be significantly affected by flow-on effects caused by changes to other divisions.

Both the proposals of the major political parties suggest transferring electors into Moncrieff, albeit in slightly different ways. It is submitted that neither of these two proposals are optimal – they both transfer more electors than needs to be the case.

McPherson is presently over-quota at the projection date. At least 740 electors must be transferred into another division for McPherson to be within the projection date quota limits.

The southern boundary of McPherson is fixed because it is the State border. The eastern boundary is fixed because it is the coastline.

Out of the remaining boundaries, it appears best to make any changes near the north-western edge of the division. This is because the south-western boundary is a long-standing and well recognised boundary – any changes would remove areas such as Springbrook and Tallebudgera Valley, which would quite significantly impact upon the community interests and physical features McPherson currently represents.

On the other hand, making changes to the northern boundary that McPherson shares with Moncrieff would cause unnecessary double-transfers of electors – into and then out of Moncrieff – because Moncrieff has little capacity to absorb additional electors. Since it is important to try to minimise the total number of electors transferred in a redistribution, it would be best to transfer surplus electors into Forde, which is a division better placed to move surplus electors closer to parts of the State likely to support the new division.

It is therefore proposed that a small part of McPherson near Advancetown Lake be transferred into Forde, as follows:

Remove:

- part of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA, being a part of CCD 3160106 containing zero (0) electors, located between Little Nerang Road and Little Nerang Creek.
- part of Mudgeeraba-Reedy Creek SLA, including the CCDs 3172006, 3172011, 3172015
- remainder of Worongary-Tallai SLA.

This proposal maintains the strong community interests that have been traditionally represented by McPherson: the southern end of the Gold Coast including the hinterland areas of Bonogin and Springbrook. It retains the existing means of travel and communication within the existing division. It also maintains the physical features and area currently represented by the division.

Importantly, the changes made are quite minor, and so will reduce the impact of flow-on effects throughout the rest of the State.

Current boundaries of McPherson



Current boundary around Advancetown Lake:

1. A line
2. Little Nerang Creek
3. Advancetown Lake
4. A line
5. Range Road
6. Property bdys
7. A line
8. Property bdys
9. Tallai Road
10. Old Coach Road
11. Mudgeeraba Road

Proposed boundaries of McPherson



Proposed boundary around Advancetown Lake:

1. A line
2. Little Nerang Creek
3. Property bdy
4. Gold Coast
Springbrook Road
5. Franklin Drive
6. Old Coach Road
7. Mudgeeraba Road

(4 less boundary descriptors needed)

Under this proposal, 2,524 electors are transferred from McPherson to the division of Forde.

Note how this is a smaller number than is proposed by either the ALP or the LNP. Their proposals unnecessarily disrupt too many electors. This proposal is much more economical with the number of electors that need to be transferred. Furthermore, the other submissions transfer their electors into Moncrieff, which essentially causes double transfers (into, then out of, Moncrieff) because Moncrieff has little capacity to absorb additional electors.

This proposed division of McPherson is 1.82% over the current quota and will be 1.47% under the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits and within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed division of McPherson:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 4 less boundary descriptors needed**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Moncrieff is immediately north of McPherson, so it is analysed next.

Moncrieff

The proposals of the ALP and LNP make changes to Moncrieff that are far too extreme. As is demonstrated in the comments below, there is no need to transfer any electors either into, or out of, this division. At most, a small area containing zero electors should be transferred into Forde, merely to create a better eastern boundary for Forde.

The division of Moncrieff is the division immediately north of McPherson.

Its eastern boundary is fixed because it is the coastline. Its southern boundary is locked in by changes already proposed to McPherson, as discussed above. Moncrieff does not need to absorb any surplus electors from McPherson.

Moncrieff is currently within quota and it will remain within quota at the projection date.

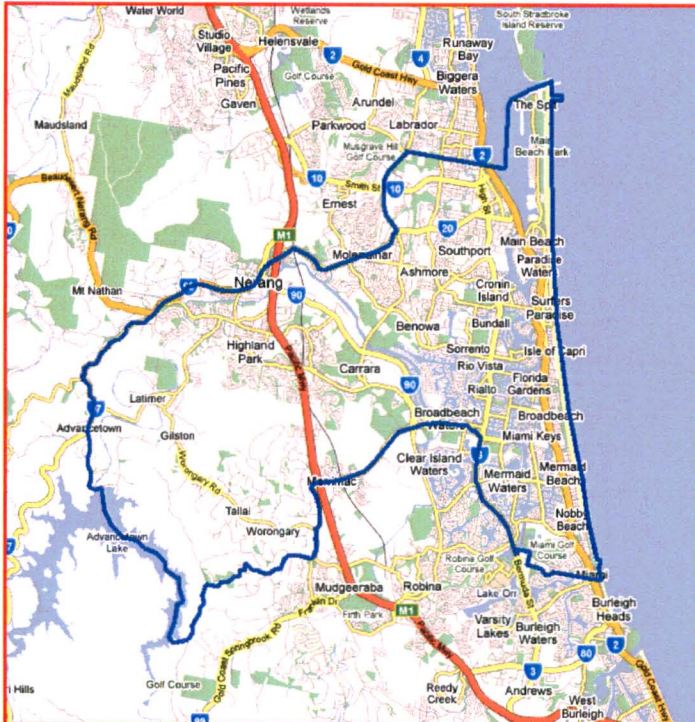
Given that Moncrieff is not impacted by any flow on effects from McPherson, no electors need to be transferred into or out of the division.

However, one small change to the boundaries, which does not transfer any electors, appears warranted. That is, the removal of the area between Advancetown Lake and The Panorama, west of Tallai. The removal of this area will remove a minor “dogleg” area protruding from the south-west corner of the division. Furthermore, it will complement the changes proposed for McPherson, by ensuring that the total area that is transferred to Forde is more contiguous with the other parts of Forde around Advancetown Lake.

Remove: part of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA, being a part of CCD 3160118 **containing zero (0) electors**, located between Advancetown Lake and The Panorama.

This proposed change is illustrated below:

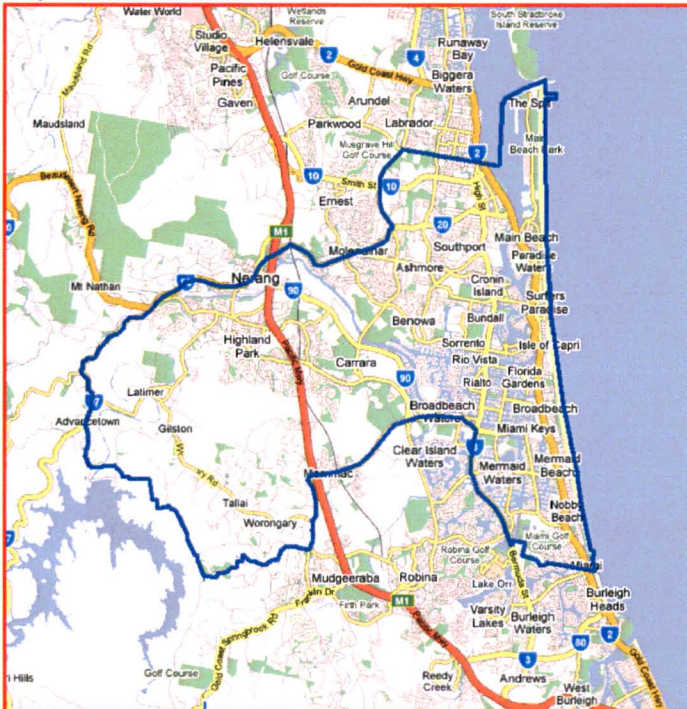
Current boundaries of Moncrieff:



Current boundary near Advancetown Lake:

1. Tallai Road
2. Property bdys
3. A line
4. Property bdys
5. Range Road
6. A line
7. Advancetown Lake
8. Hinze Dam
9. Hinze Dam Access Road
10. Advancetown Road
11. Nerang Murwillumbah Road

Proposed boundaries of Moncrieff:



Proposed boundary near Advancetown Lake:

1. Tallai Road
2. Property bdys
3. A line
4. Property bdys
5. Range Road
6. The Panorama
7. Property bdys
8. Duncan Road
9. Spillway Road
10. Advancetown Road
11. Nerang Murwillumbah Road

Same number of descriptors needed to explain these boundaries to electors (from 11 to 11)

As shown above, the geographic features and area, the means of travel and the means of communication within Moncrieff are all maintained. The communities of interests represented by Moncrieff are also maintained because no electors are transferred out of the division. Moncrieff remains a division based on the central Gold Coast localities of Broadbeach, Bundall and Southport, stretching west to the residential areas bordering the Pacific Motorway.

The proposals of the major parties seem to be suggesting that it is necessary to make changes to Moncrieff in order to:

- (a) manage the massive population growth in the neighbouring division of Fadden; or
- (b) assist with the location of the new division.

As is established in this submission, neither of these two aims justifies any changes to be made to Moncrieff.

Firstly, this submission will demonstrate that Forde, and Forde alone, is able to absorb the surplus electors coming from Fadden (see the sections on Fadden and Forde below).

Secondly, this submission will demonstrate that the entire Southern region, including the Gold Coast, Beenleigh, Logan, South Brisbane and Beaudesert, does not contain enough surplus electors to justify the creation of a new division in this area. The entire region does have surplus electors to contribute, of course, but this submission proves that the exact number is merely 21,000. That is how many electors, in this submission, flow into Ipswich (the division of Oxley), after taking account of the number of surplus electors that Moreton needs to absorb to stay within quota.

So no electors need to be transferred into, or out of, Moncrieff.

With the one small change proposed (and no change to its population), the Moncrieff suggested here is 2.74% over the current quota and will be 1.75% over the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits, and within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed division of Moncrieff:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – same number of boundary descriptors needed**
- Maintains existing community interests represented within division**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The division of Fadden is immediately north of Moncrieff, so it is analysed next.

Fadden

Again, the proposals of the LNP and ALP are far too excessive for Fadden. They both propose “double transfers”, involving transferring electors into, and then out, the division. This approach is completely unnecessary, and it causes massive dislocation for electors in the Gold Coast region without any identifiable benefits (for example, in terms of the community interests represented in the relevant divisions).

It is submitted that no additional electors should be transferred into Fadden from other divisions because it is already severely over-quota. In fact, Fadden is the division that is most over-quota at the projection date, needing to shed at least 24,842 electors as at that date if it is to be within quota.

However, this huge over-enrolment also does not justify the location of a new division nearby. The surplus electors in Fadden would only go roughly one quarter of the way towards forming a new division (at the projection date). As demonstrated in this submission, the entire Gold Coast – Beaudesert – Logan – South Brisbane region does not have enough surplus electors to warrant the creation of a new division in that region. At the point that this submission considers the Ipswich area (below), it becomes apparent that only 21,000 electors need to be transferred out of this region, meaning that the entire region ends up only contributing less than one third of the surplus electors needed (at the projection date) to form the new division. (The other surplus electors needed come from Ipswich, North Brisbane, Moreton Bay LGA and the Sunshine Coast).

It is submitted that on this occasion it is most appropriate to make changes to the western boundary of the division of Fadden. This is because the northern boundary aligns with the border of the Gold Coast City Council, which is a convenient and well-recognised boundary line.

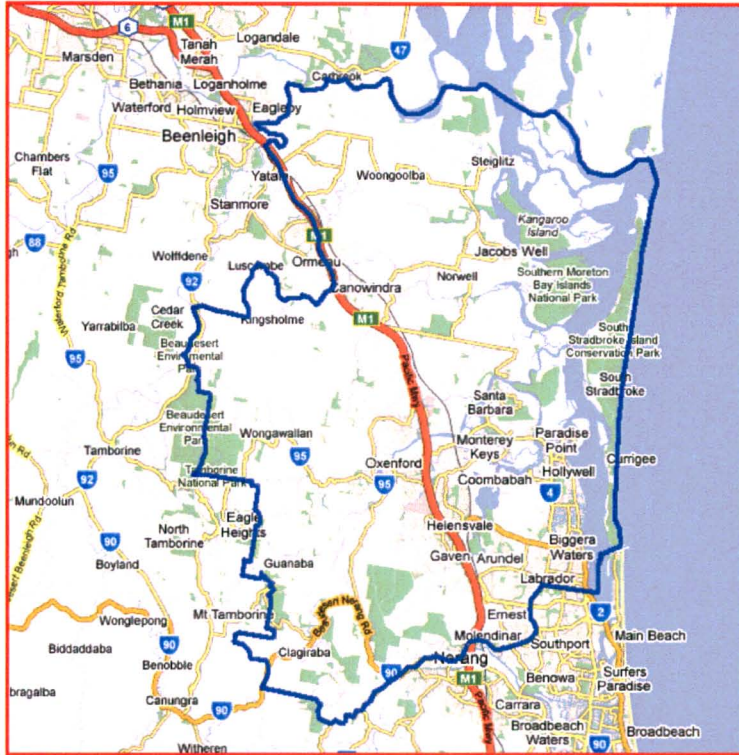
In particular, it is submitted that only areas west of the Pacific Motorway should be transferred out of Fadden. These should be transferred into the neighbouring division of Forde. It is not easy to nominate a change to the boundaries of Fadden that simultaneously meets both the current and future quota limits, however it *is* possible. The following change is proposed to meet the quota requirements *and* maintain a simple, easily-described boundary along the western edge of the division:

Remove:

- remainder of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA.
- part of Kingsholme-Upper Coomera SLA, including CCDs 3160101, 3160103, 3160109, 3160112, 3160120, 3160121, 3160321, 3160333, 3160334, 3160335, 3160336 and 3160337.
- remainder of Nerang SLA.
- part of Ormeau-Yatala SLA, being CCD 3160209.
- part of Oxenford-Maudsland SLA, including CCDs 3160414, 3160421, 3160422, 3160607 and 3160612, and
- all of Pacific Pines-Gaven, except for CCD 3160413.

This proposed change uses the Pacific Motorway, Old Coach Road, Reserve Road, Maudsland Road and Kopps Road as major boundary lines defining the western limits of Forde. The new boundaries are illustrated below:

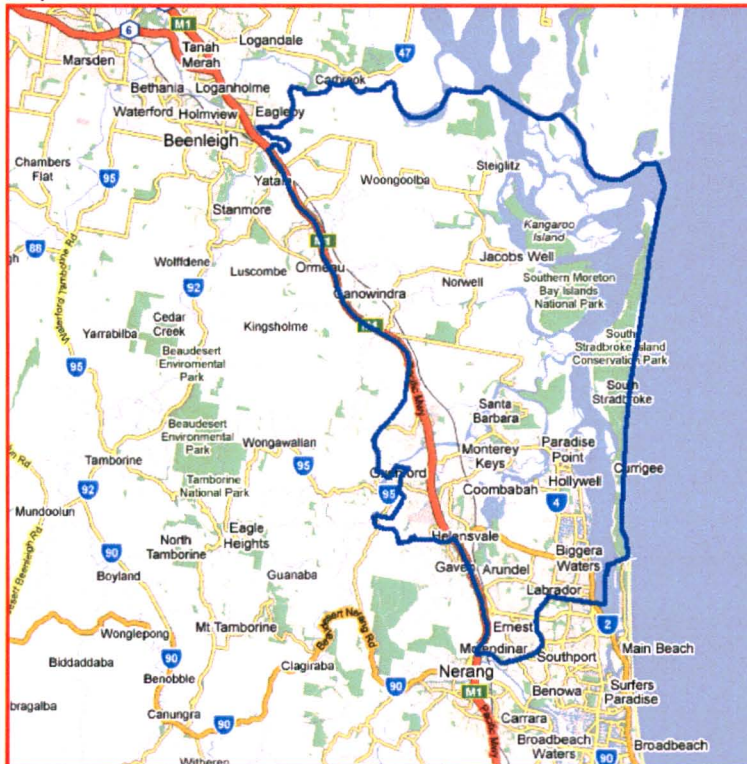
Current boundaries of Fadden



Current west boundary for Fadden:

1. Southport Nerang Road
2. Price Street
3. Beaudesert Nerang Road
4. Nerang Murwillumbah Road
5. Beechmont Road
6. Property bdys
7. Coomera River
8. Gold Coast LGA boundary
9. Shaws Pocket Road
10. A road
11. Property bdys
12. A road
13. A creek
14. Pimpama River
15. Pacific Motorway

Proposed boundaries of Fadden



Proposed west boundary for Fadden:

1. Southport Nerang Road
2. Pacific Motorway
3. Binstead Way
4. Kopps Road
5. Yallaroi Road
6. Maudsland Road
7. Property bdys
8. Tamborine Oxenford Road
9. Property bdy
10. Coomera River
11. Property bdys
12. Reserve Road
13. Old Coach Road
14. Pacific Motorway

So 1 less descriptor is needed to explain the proposed boundaries.

This proposal reduces the number of descriptors needed to explain the boundaries of this division. It also promotes the Pacific Motorway to become the most significant boundary defining the western edge of the division, which makes the boundaries much more recognisable and easy to understand.

This proposal maintains the strong community interests that have been traditionally represented by Fadden: the northern end of the Gold Coast. However, it further concentrates on the communities of interest on the eastern side of the Pacific Motorway, while removing much of the hinterland area previously contained within Fadden.

This proposal does have the effect of changing the geographic features and area of the division. These changes are not insignificant – the quota limits preclude options involving only minor changes being made to Fadden. However, it is submitted that this proposal enhances the community interests represented by the division, rather than detracting from them. Note that no new areas have been added to Fadden, so the proposed boundaries contain areas that were all originally part of this division. In addition, the proposed change removed the most outlying hinterland areas that are least connected to the population centre around Biggera Waters, Labrador, Arundel and Runaway Bay.

Fadden becomes a division based at the north end of the Gold Coast, almost entirely on the east side of the Pacific Highway. This appears to be a set of community interests that is just as strong, if not stronger, than those that are presently contained in the division.

It is conceivable, given the high population growth in this area, that the boundaries of Fadden will shrink further over time so that it becomes a division based entirely on the east side of the Pacific Motorway.

The means of travel and the means of communication within Moncrieff are mostly maintained. With the removal of the hinterland areas, Tamborine-Oxenford Road is removed, as well as other local roads running through the hinterland areas of Kingsholme and Guanaba.

This proposal transfers 16,662 electors into the division of Forde. Note that these electors are based in high-growth areas – this means that we are able to transfer a relatively small number of electors now, in an area that will contain a much larger number of electors at the projection date. This approach helps to minimise the number of electors that have to be transferred between divisions in this redistribution process.

Also note that the total proposed transfers here are about half the number of transfers in and out of the division proposed in the submissions of the LNP and ALP. In an area close to a corner of the state, where there are few flow-on effects, and where there are longstanding, well-recognised and commendable sets of community interests contained within the divisions, why make large changes? It seems far better to make the minimal changes necessary. The drastic changes proposed to Fadden by the ALP and LNP are unnecessary – what's more, they are unsupported by any of the statutory factors which must be taken into account when determining the boundaries:

- the statistical requirements;
- the community of interest factor;
- geographic features, area, means of travel and communication.

With these changes, the proposed Fadden is 9.66% under the current quota and will be 2.70% over the projection date quota. This is within the allowed statistical limits, and is even within our more ambitious projection date quota targets of +/-3.00%. However, note that it is quite close to the current lower quota limit and the upper projection date limit, due to the massive population growth anticipated in this area.

Also note that the submissions of the major parties, with respect to Fadden, do not appear to have been able to meet our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%.

Summary of proposed division of Fadden:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 1 less boundary descriptor needed**
- Improves community interests represented within division**
- Mostly maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Mostly maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

We continue to examine the divisions locked in by one side by the Gold Coast, Bayside and Brisbane River, before returning inland. The division of Bowman is immediately north of Fadden, so it is analysed next.

No changes need to be made to Bowman.

Bowman

The submissions of the LNP and ALP for Bowman should be rejected, because it is not necessary to make any changes to the boundaries of Bowman.

The division of Bowman is the next division north of Fadden. Its boundaries are effectively fixed along two sides by the coastline and its boundary with Fadden (discussed above). It is also noteworthy that the boundaries of this division almost perfectly align with the boundaries of Redland Shire Council LGA.

Bowman falls within the allowable quota limits, and it just falls outside of our more ambitious targets for the projection date quota limits of +/-3.00%. It is therefore proposed that no changes be made to its boundaries.

Remove:

- nil.

The boundaries remain as follows:



- Current boundaries for Bowman:**
1. Redland LGA boundary
 2. Logan River
 3. California Creek
 4. Beenleigh Redland Bay Road
 5. Mount Cotton Road
 6. Gramzow Road
 7. West Mount Cotton Road
 8. Redland LGA boundary

A small aspect of the proposal of the ALP has a small amount of merit. While LGA boundaries are not as crucial in determining community interests in urban areas, there is some merit in proposing a division that wholly aligns with an entire LGA area. For similar reasons, the division of Rankin was created to align with most of the boundaries of Logan LGA (now changed). Similarly, the division of Dickson recently aligned almost perfectly with the boundaries

of the Pine Rivers LGA area, before population growth in the area required changes and the Pine Rivers Council was amalgamated.

That approach would transfer 860 electors into Rankin (which presently contains most of the remainder of Logan LGA). However, there is no real justification for transferring electors unnecessarily. The existing community interests within Bowman are strong and easily identifiable. The division also meets the statistical requirements.

With no changes, the division of Bowman remains 2.41% above the current quota and 2.84 above the projection date quota (well within the allowable limits, and within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed division of Bowman:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – no changes made to current boundaries**
- Maintains community interests represented within division**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division**

The divisions of Bonner and Griffith are immediately north-east of Bowman. They are considered next because they are effectively in a corner, with their boundaries fixed on three sides by the Bayside, the Brisbane River and the lack of changes needed in Bowman. **No changes need to be made to Bonner or Griffith.**

Bonner

The ALP proposal (no changes made) should be adopted.

Bonner is currently within quota and it will remain within quota at the projection date. It is also within our more ambitious projection date quota targets of +/-3.00%. With no changes, Bonner is 3.13% over the current quota and will be 2.75% *under* the projection date quota (within the allowed statistical limits).

Bonner – no changes needed:



Remove: nil

Summary of proposed division of Bonner:

- Within quota limits
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)
- Simple boundaries –no changes proposed to existing boundaries
- Maintains existing community interests within division
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division

Griffith

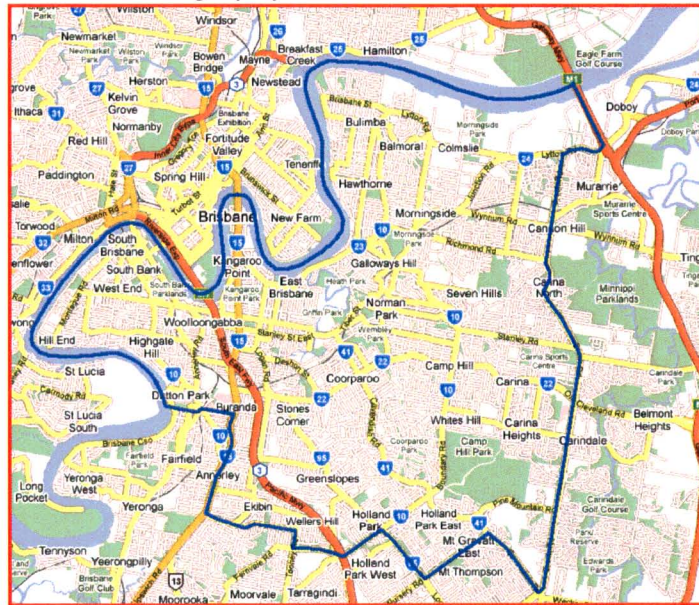
Griffith is also currently within quota and it will remain within quota at the projection date. It is also within our more ambitious projection date quota targets of +/-3.00%. The ALP proposal (no changes) should again be adopted. Given that it is effectively located in a corner, with its boundaries fixed mostly by the Brisbane River and changes already made to Bonner (above), no flow on effects from other divisions need affect it.

It is therefore strongly submitted that no changes need to be made to the boundaries of Griffith. As such, its existing community interests, its geographic features and area, the means of travel and communication within the division, and its current boundaries, are all maintained.

With no changes, Griffith is 3.71% over the current quota and will be 1.02% *under* the projection date quota (well within the allowed statistical limits).

Remove: nil

Griffith – no changes proposed:



Summary of proposed division of Griffith:

- Within quota limits
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)
- Simple boundaries –no changes proposed to existing boundaries
- Maintains existing community interests within division
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division
- Maintains the existing physical features and area of division

The next division to be considered is Forde, which is immediately adjacent to the divisions of McPherson, Moncrieff and Fadden (already considered). It collects the surplus electors from McPherson and Fadden.

Forde

The division of Forde is the division immediately west of McPherson, Moncrieff and Fadden. Its eastern boundaries are effectively locked in by the changes already proposed to those divisions. Its boundary on the south is also fixed by the Queensland border.

Forde is significantly over-quota at the projection date. Even before considering flow-on effects from McPherson and Fadden, Forde must lose approximately 5,000 electors to be within quota at the projection date. *After* absorbing the excess electors transferred from McPherson and Fadden (particularly the high-growth areas from Fadden), Forde becomes more than 33,000 electors over-quota at the projection date.

This is insufficient to justify the creation of a new division in this area because:

- (a) 33,000 surplus electors is still only roughly one-third of the electors needed to create a new division;
- (b) some of these surplus electors can be transferred into Rankin which is a little under quota;
- (c) as established elsewhere in this submission, the entire region covering the Gold Coast, Beaudesert, South Brisbane and Logan does not contain sufficient surplus electors to warrant the creation of a new division here.

However, significant changes must be made to the boundaries of Forde to account for these surplus electors.

It is submitted that the required changes should be made to the northern boundary of Forde, so that electors are transferred into the divisions of Rankin and Oxley.

This has some similarities to the approaches proposed by the LNP and ALP. However, this approach is much simpler than those other submissions. The ALP submission, in particular, makes massive, unnecessary changes to Forde, based on the false premise that the new division needs to include Beaudesert.

There is a fairly simple change that can be made to Forde, which will ensure that Forde is within its quota limits but retains a strong set of community interests and a simple boundary. That is to remove only the areas that fall north of the Logan River.

The Logan River is a very good boundary line because it is the only solid border that runs the entire width of Forde from East to West. There are no major roads that run in a similar direction, and the new LGA boundary between Logan City Council and the Scenic Rim Council is too far south to be used – it would require the transfer of too many electors.

The Logan River is a boundary that can be explained to electors very easily. It is a relatively consistent, smooth line to use as a boundary, so the divisions it helps define do not have “dog-leg” areas protruding out. In the area of Eagleby, Beenleigh and Loganlea, the Logan River is the boundary between various suburbs, so it is clearly also a good boundary to use for the purposes of defining communities of interests.

It is strongly submitted that the surplus electors should be transferred into both Rankin and Oxley. The split between these two divisions will become more apparent when those divisions are discussed in detail (below). Briefly, it helps to create a division of Rankin that is better concentrated on the suburbs of Logan LGA located around the Pacific Motorway and Logan Motorway. Similarly, it helps to create a division of Oxley that is better concentrated on the district between Ipswich Road and the Mount Lindesay Hwy.

One other minor transfer is proposed, to Blair, for part of a CCD which is affected by the recent LGA boundary changes. This change realigns the boundaries according to the LGA boundaries, and only affects 8 electors.

Add (from McPherson):

- part of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA, being a part of CCD 3160106 containing zero (0) electors, located between Little Nerang Road and Little Nerang Creek.
- part of Mudgeeraba-Reedy Creek SLA, including the CCDs 3172006, 3172011, 3172015, and
- remainder of Worongary-Tallai SLA.

Add (from Moncrieff):

- part of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA, being a part of CCD 3160118 containing zero (0) electors, located between Advancetown Lake and The Panorama.

Add (from Fadden):

- remainder of Guanaba-Springbrook SLA.
- part of Kingsholme-Upper Coomera SLA, including CCDs 3160101, 3160103, 3160109, 3160112, 3160120, 3160121, 3160302, 3160321, 3160333, 3160334, 3160335, 3160336 and 3160337.
- remainder of Nerang SLA.
- part of Ormeau-Yatala SLA, being CCD 3160209.
- part of Oxenford-Maudsland SLA, including CCDs 3160414, 3160421, 3160422, 3160607 and 3160612, and
- all of Pacific Pines-Gaven, except for CCD 3160413.

Remove (to Rankin):

- all of Loganholme SLA.
- all of Loganlea SLA.
- part of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA, being CCD and 3252511.
- the remaining CCD from Tanah Merah SLA (CCD 3251101)
- all of Waterford West SLA

Remove (to Oxley):

- part of Jimboomba-Logan Village SLA, including the CCDs 3151303, 3151304, 3151305, 3151307, 3151309, 3151310, 3151316, 3151317, 3151318, 3151320, 3151322, 3151323, 3151324, 3151325, 3151326, 3151327, 3151328, 3151329, 3250501, 3250502, 3250503, 3250504, 3250505, 3250506, 3250507, 3250508, 3250509, 3250510, 3250511, 3252402, 3252404, 3252405, 3252406, 3252408 and 3252409,
- part of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA, being CCD 3252502, and
- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Beaudesert SLA, being the part of CCD 3151312 north of the new LGA boundary that becomes part of Logan City Council LGA (contains approximately 31 electors).

Remove (to Blair):

- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Beaudesert SLA, being the part of CCD 3151312 south of the new LGA boundary that remains in Scenic Rim LGA (contains approximately 8 electors only).

Current boundaries for Forde:



Current north boundary for Forde:

1. Property bdys
2. Teviot Brook
3. Property bdys
4. A road
5. Property bdys
6. Logan LGA boundary
7. Goodna Road
8. Oxley Creek
9. Goodna Road
10. Old Greenbank Road
11. A road
12. Sheppards Drive
13. Park Avenue
14. A line
15. Stoney Camp Road
16. Mount Lindesay Highway
17. Rosia Road
18. Virgil Road
19. Koplick Road
20. Chambers Flat Road
21. Kingston Road
22. Logan Motorway
23. Slacks Creek
24. A line
25. Murrays Road
26. A line
27. Pacific Motorway
28. Bryants Road
29. Beenleigh Redland Bay Road
30. California Creek
31. Logan River
32. Albert River
33. Pacific Motorway
34. Pimpama River
35. A creek
36. A road
37. Property bdys
38. A road
39. Shaws Pocket Road
40. Scenic Rim LGA boundary
41. Coomera River
42. Property bdys
43. Beechmont Road
44. Nerang Murwillumbah Road
45. Advancetown Road
46. Hinze Dam Access Road
47. Hinze Dam
48. Advancetown Lake
49. Little Nerang Creek
50. A line

Proposed boundaries for Forde



Proposed new northern and eastern boundaries for Forde:

1. Property bdys
2. Teviot Brook
3. Wallaman Creek
4. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
5. A creek
6. Homestead Drive
7. Teviot Road
8. Flagstone Creek
9. Logan River
10. Albert River
11. Pacific Motorway
12. Old Coach Road
13. Reserve Road
14. Property bdys
15. Coomera River
16. Property bdy
17. Tamborine Oxenford Road
18. Property bdys
19. Maudsland Road
20. Yallaroi Road
21. Kopps Road
22. Binstead Way
23. Pacific Motorway
24. Price Street
25. Beaudesert Nerang Road
26. Nerang Murwillumbah Road
27. Advancetown Road
28. Spillway Road
29. Duncan Road
30. Property bdys
31. The Panorama
32. Range Road
33. Property bdys
34. A line
35. Property bdys
36. Tallai Road
37. Old Coach Road
38. Franklin Drive
39. Gold Coast Springbrook Road
40. Property bdy
41. Little Nerang Creek
42. A line

Compare the shape of this proposed division, and the community interests it contains, with the proposals of the LNP and ALP (particularly the latter).

This proposed division is comprised of far more contiguous areas, and represents a closer set of community interests. It has simpler boundaries. Furthermore, it retains far more of its original electors.

The ALP proposal, for instance, contains a very odd-looking area, in the shape of a letter M, protruding out of the north-east corner of the division, which stretches all the way to Carbrook.

So 8 fewer descriptors are needed, resulting in a simpler overall boundary that is easier for electors to understand.

This proposal transfers 28,718 electors out of Forde (16,014 into Rankin, 12,696 into Oxley and 8 into Blair).

Overall, despite the relatively large transfers of electors into and out of Forde, it retains a very similar profile. It becomes a division that is more concentrated on the Gold Coast hinterland and the region from Beaudesert to Jimboomba. It loses areas comprising the new Logan City Council LGA, including Loganholme, Loganlea, Chambers Flat and Park Ridge, yet it retains the suburb of Beenleigh and neighbouring suburbs south of the Logan River, such as Eagleby and Bethania.

The proposed Forde covers a roughly similar area overall, with similar geographic features. Regarding the means of communication and travel within the division, it gains a closer relationship with the Pacific Motorway but loses the northern end of the Mount Lindesay Hwy. That tends to suggest a closer alignment, in terms of the community interests represented within the division.

With these changes, the proposed Forde is 9.57% under the current quota and will be 1.35% over the projection date quota. This is within the allowed statistical limits, and is even within our more ambitious projection date quota targets of +/-3.00%. However, note that it is quite close to the current lower quota limit. This is essentially due to the massive population growth anticipated in the areas gained from the division of Fadden.

Lastly, note that the suggestions of the major political parties appear to fail against our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%. This submission better promotes the principle of "one vote, one value".

Summary of proposed division of Forde:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – 8 less descriptors needed to explain boundaries**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains similar means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains similar physical features and area of division**

The next division to be considered is Rankin, which is immediately north of Forde and collects some of the surplus electors from Forde.

Rankin

The division of Rankin is currently within quota. However, it is submitted that some changes should be made to Rankin in order to improve the communities of interests it represents.

Furthermore, given that Rankin is slightly under-quota, it provides an opportunity to absorb some of the excess electors from Forde without the need for those to be passed on through further divisions.

Previously, Rankin was created to take advantage of the boundaries of Logan LGA. However, those boundaries have now changed, and the division of Rankin that remains is a narrow string of suburbs within Logan LGA, stretching from Cornubia to past Forestdale. This result reinforces the view that while LGA boundaries can be a convenient boundary marker, they are not necessarily the best determinant of community interests in urban areas.

Rankin will represent a stronger and closer set of community interests if it attains a more contiguous group of adjacent suburbs. It is therefore proposed that Rankin gains suburbs like Loganholme, Waterford West and Loganlea from Forde.

It is proposed that the westernmost areas currently within Rankin, such as Forestdale, Hillcrest, Regents Park and Boronia Heights be transferred to Oxley, where they will themselves become part of a more cohesive group of suburbs within a single division.

The proposed changes to Rankin can be summarised as follows:

Add (from Forde):

- all of Loganholme SLA.
- all of Loganlea SLA.
- part of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA, being CCD 3252511.
- the remaining CCD from Tanah Merah SLA (CCD 3251101)
- all of Waterford West SLA

Remove (to Oxley):

- part of Browns Plains SLA, including the CCDs 3252101, 3252102, 3252103, 3252104, 3252105, 3252106, 3252107, 3252108, 3252109, 3252110, 3252111, 3252112, plus part of CCD 3251011 containing zero electors (south of Green Road).
- all of Greenbank-Boronia Heights SLA, and
- all of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA.

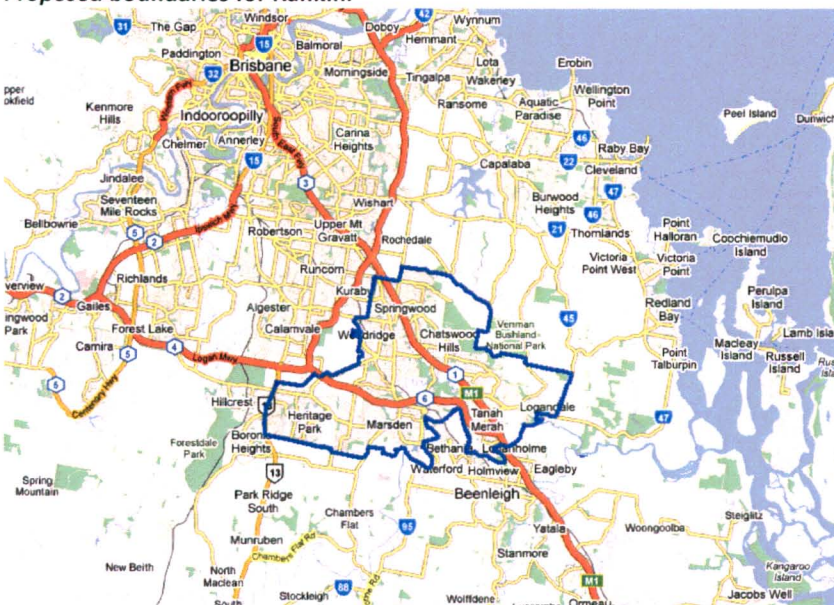
Current boundaries for Rankin:



Current boundaries for Rankin:

1. Mount Cotton Road
2. Beenleigh Redland Bay Road
3. Bryants Road
4. Pacific Motorway
5. A line
6. Murrays Road
7. A line
8. Slacks Creek
9. Logan Motorway
10. Kingston Road
11. Chambers Flat Road
12. Koplick Road
13. Virgil Road
14. Rosia Road
15. Mount Lindesay Highway
16. Stoney Camp Road
17. A line
18. Park Avenue
19. Sheppards Drive
20. A road
21. Old Greenbank Road
22. Goodna Road
23. Oxley Creek
24. Goodna Road
25. Old Logan Road
26. Logan LGA boundary

Proposed boundaries for Rankin:



Proposed boundaries for Rankin:

1. Mount Cotton Road
2. Beenleigh Redland Bay Road
3. California Creek
4. Logan River
5. A creek
6. Logan Reserve Road
7. Bayes Road
8. Property bdys
9. Chambers Flat Road
10. Bumstead Road
11. Clarke Road
12. Green Road
13. Mount Lindesay Highway
14. Logan LGA boundary

So 12 fewer descriptors are needed to explain the boundaries for Rankin.

The proposed Rankin is still comprised entirely of suburbs within Logan LGA. However, these Logan suburbs are much closer together. Note how the length of the division is greatly reduced relative to its breadth. Rankin

therefore becomes a much more tightly-knit community between the Logan River and the edges of Redlands and Brisbane LGAs.

This proposal transfers 11,738 electors out of Rankin into Oxley. This is a much smaller number than that proposed by the ALP and the LNP. While the ALP submission is closer to this proposal, note that it requires almost 4,000 electors to be unnecessarily removed from Rankin. The LNP proposal suggests that vast tracts of the division, east of the Pacific Motorway, to be transferred into Moreton, and then for vast tracts of Rankin, near Karawatha and Drewvale, to be transferred in the other direction. This double transfer is a far more drastic change than needs to occur, particularly in the absence of any strong benefits (such as better communities of interests within each division). Without any such justification, the double transfer is simply wasteful in that it unnecessarily separates a lot of electors from their existing divisions.

Overall, under this proposal, and despite the relatively large transfers of electors into Rankin from Forde, and out of Rankin to Oxley, Rankin retains a very similar profile. It continues to be comprised entirely of suburbs within Logan LGA, predominantly between the Pacific Motorway and the Mount Lindesay Highway.

However, it is submitted that its new triangular shape, from Springwood to Cornubia to Browns Plains, is a vast improvement on the current makeup of suburbs within the division. The new group of suburbs are much closer geographically, and share much closer transport and communication links given their proximity.

Under this proposal, Rankin continues to cover a roughly similar total area. Its physical features remain similar, but are enhanced by the removal of the skinny “dog-leg” areas that currently stick out from either end of the division.

Regarding the means of communication and travel within the division, it forms an even closer relationship with the Pacific Motorway and Logan Motorway but loses the areas west of the Mount Lindesay Hwy.

With these changes, the proposed Rankin is 6.83% over the current quota and will be 2.95% under the projection date quota. This is well within the quota requirements and is close to the of our more ambitious projection date quota targets of +/-3.00%.

Summary of proposed division of Rankin:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – 12 less descriptors needed to explain boundaries**
- Improvements made to the community interests represented**
- Improves consistency of means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains area of division and enhances physical features of division**

The next division to be considered is Moreton, where only minor changes are needed.

Moreton

On its current boundaries, the division of Moreton will be under-quota at the projection date.

Moreton needs at least 1,200 additional electors at the projection date in order to be within the quota limits. However, note that it is able to absorb many more surplus electors than this (more than 7,000) and remain within the quota limits – this capacity is one of the reasons why the creation of a new division in the South Brisbane region is not warranted.

The proposals made for Moreton by the ALP and LNP are far more drastic than need to occur. It is possible to propose very minor changes to Moreton, rather than transferring large areas into, and then out of, the division. The submissions of the major political parties transfer too many electors unnecessarily. Furthermore, they don't adequately explain how those drastic changes are meant to improve the division. In fact, the LNP submission does not appear to have been properly drafted with respect to Moreton, because the final paragraph under the heading of Rankin is nonsensical.

Moreton's boundaries are essentially locked in on two sides by the Brisbane River and the previous decision not to make any changes to Griffith. Furthermore, it does not seem appropriate to change the south boundary of Moreton because it already aligns with the Brisbane LGA boundary, a useful boundary line, and that would introduce parts of Logan LGA into the division.

Therefore, it is strongly submitted that surplus electors from the division of Oxley should be transferred into Moreton along its western boundary. It is proposed that two changes be made to Moreton here. Both changes result in a simpler, smoother and more consistent boundary line for Moreton.

Firstly, it is proposed that a small area from Acacia Ridge be transferred into Moreton (the part that is north of Mortimer Road including Richlands Reserve).

Secondly, it is proposed that most of Corinda be transferred into Moreton. This includes the parts north of Consort Street, east of the railway line, and north of Cliveden Avenue.

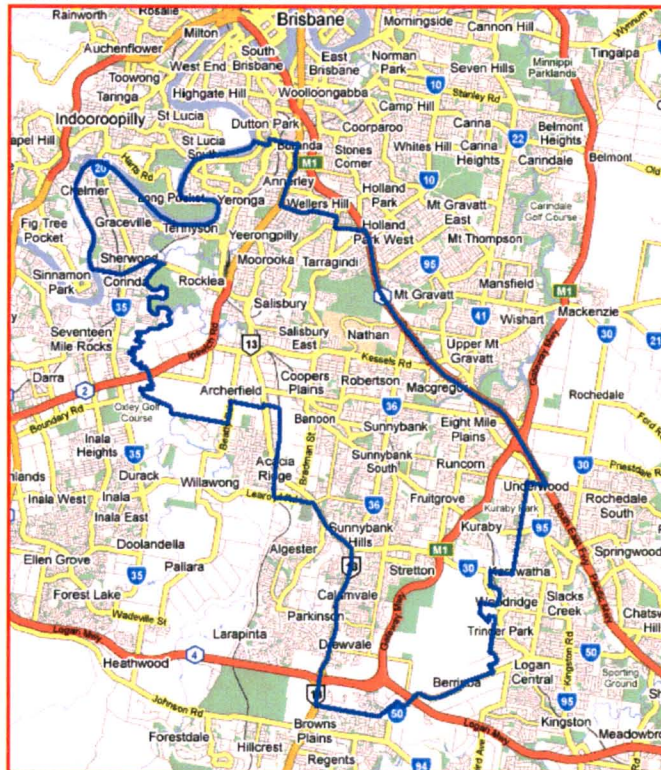
The proposed changes to Moreton can be summarised as follows:

Add (from Oxley):

- CCD 3261801, from Acacia Ridge SLA, and
- part of Corinda SLA, including CCDs 3261201, 3261202, 3261203, 3261204, 3261205 and 3261208.

Remove: nil

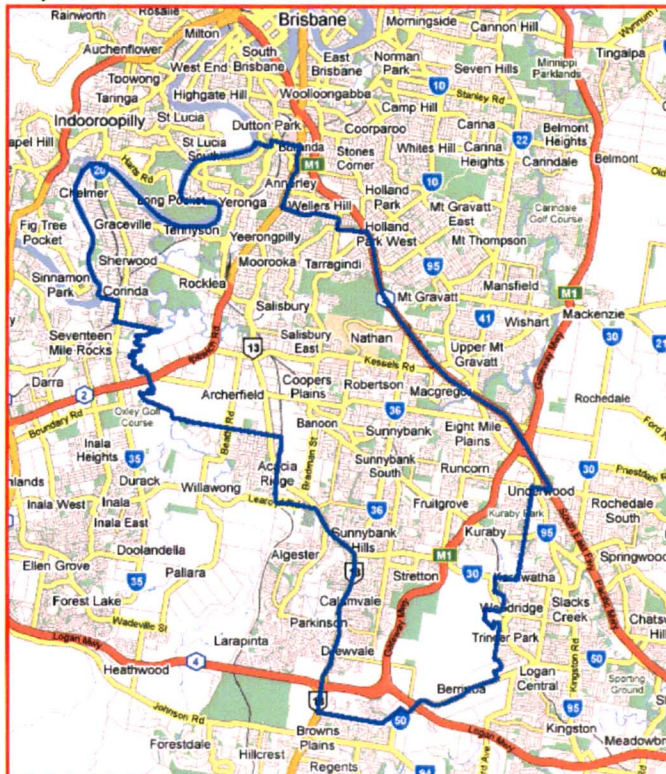
Current boundaries for Moreton:



Current west boundary for Moreton:

1. Learoyd Road
2. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
3. A line
4. Celtic Street
5. Weaver Street
6. Beaudesert Road
7. Kerry Road
8. Beatty Road
9. Mortimer Road
10. Property bdy
11. Oxley Creek
12. Sherwood Road
13. Tennyson Railway Line
14. Hilda Street
15. A line
16. Brisbane River

Proposed boundaries for Moreton:



Proposed west boundary for Moreton:

1. Learoyd Road
2. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
3. A line
4. Mortimer Road
5. Property bdy
6. Oxley Creek
7. A line
8. Cliveden Avenue
9. Tennyson Railway Line
10. A line
11. Consort Street
12. A line
13. Brisbane River

So 3 less descriptors are needed to describe the boundaries for Moreton.

Overall, under this proposal, Moreton remains very similar in terms of its area, physical features and boundaries. Its boundaries are simplified by the proposed changes, in that 3 fewer descriptors are needed to explain the boundaries to electors.

The parts of Acacia Ridge and Corinda transferred into Moreton fit comfortably within the communities of interests already contained within the division, given their geographic proximity. If anything, the proposed boundaries improve the community interests represented by Moreton by adding in areas that were already surrounded by other parts of the division. The proposal also fixes a slight dog-leg area that currently exists in the boundaries, caused by the use of Oxley Creek as a boundary near Sherwood.

Under this proposal, the means of communication and travel within the division also remain much the same.

Compare this proposal to the submissions of the ALP and LNP. Their failure to properly explain why such major changes should be made to Moreton, in terms of community interest, become redundant after it is established that only minimal changes need to be made.

This proposal transfers 3,147 electors into Moreton from the division of Oxley. With these changes, the proposed Moreton is 4.50% over the current quota and will be 1.36% under the projection date quota (well within the allowed quota limits).

Summary of proposed division of Moreton:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 3 less descriptors needed to explain boundaries**
- Similar community interests represented**
- Maintains existing means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains existing physical features and area of division**

The next division to be considered is Oxley. It is at this point in the analysis that it becomes evident that the new division should be located in an area where it can absorb surplus electors from Ipswich LGA.

Oxley

The division of Oxley is significantly over-quota. It is the second most over-quota division in the State, as at the projection date. Without considering the flow-on effects caused by other divisions to its south, Oxley would require the removal of more than 11,400 electors at the projection date to be within the allowable statistical limits.

After the proposed addition of surplus electors from Rankin and Forde, Oxley is even further over-quota and requires the removal of almost 40,000 surplus electors. These numbers of surplus electors almost hits the 50% mark for the number needed to justify the creation of a new division. However, taking account of the fact that 3,147 electors that are being transferred from Oxley into Moreton, the number of available surplus electors in Oxley is closer to around 37,000.

Having regard to the fact that Blair is also significantly over-quota at the projection date, it becomes apparent at this point that the new division should be located in an area where it can absorb surplus electors from the greater Ipswich area (which includes both Oxley and Blair).

It is therefore submitted that the new division should be in a position to absorb surplus electors from both Oxley and Blair, but also be located so it is able to easily absorb surplus electors that must come from the remaining parts of the State, including Wide Bay, the Sunshine Coast, Moreton Bay LGA and northern Brisbane.

In relation to Oxley, its southern and eastern boundaries are essentially already locked in by the changes proposed to Moreton, Rankin and Forde. It is only able to shed surplus electors to its north and west.

With the addition of areas from Rankin such as Forestdale, Hillcrest, Regents Park and Boronia Heights, and the addition of areas such as Park Ridge and New Beith from Forde, Oxley becomes a more cohesive division centred on the region where the western half of Logan LGA meets the south-western part of Brisbane City LGA.

In order to complement and cement this strong identity, it is proposed that the areas north of the Ipswich Motorway and much of Ipswich LGA be removed from Oxley.

The proposed changes to Oxley can be summarised as follows:

Add (from Rankin):

- part of Browns Plains SLA, including the CCDs 3252101, 3252102, 3252103, 3252104, 3252105, 3252106, 3252107, 3252108, 3252109, 3252110, 3252111, 3252112, plus part of CCD 3251011 containing zero electors (south of Green Road).
- all of Greenbank-Boronia Heights SLA,
- all of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA.

Add (from Forde):

- part of Jimboomba-Logan Village SLA, including the CCDs 3151303, 3151304, 3151305, 3151307, 3151309, 3151310, 3151316, 3151317, 3151318, 3151320, 3151322, 3151323, 3151324, 3151325, 3151326, 3151327, 3151328, 3151329, 3250501, 3250502, 3250503, 3250504, 3250505, 3250506, 3250507, 3250508, 3250509, 3250510, 3250511, 3252402, 3252404, 3252405, 3252406, 3252408 and 3252409,
- part of Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA, being CCD 3252502, and
- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Beaudesert SLA, being the part of CCD 3151312 north of the new LGA boundary that becomes part of Logan City Council LGA (contains approximately 31 electors).

Remove (to Moreton):

- CCD 3261801, from Acacia Ridge SLA, and
- part of Corinda SLA, including CCDs 3261201, 3261202, 3261203, 3261204, 3261205 and 3261208.

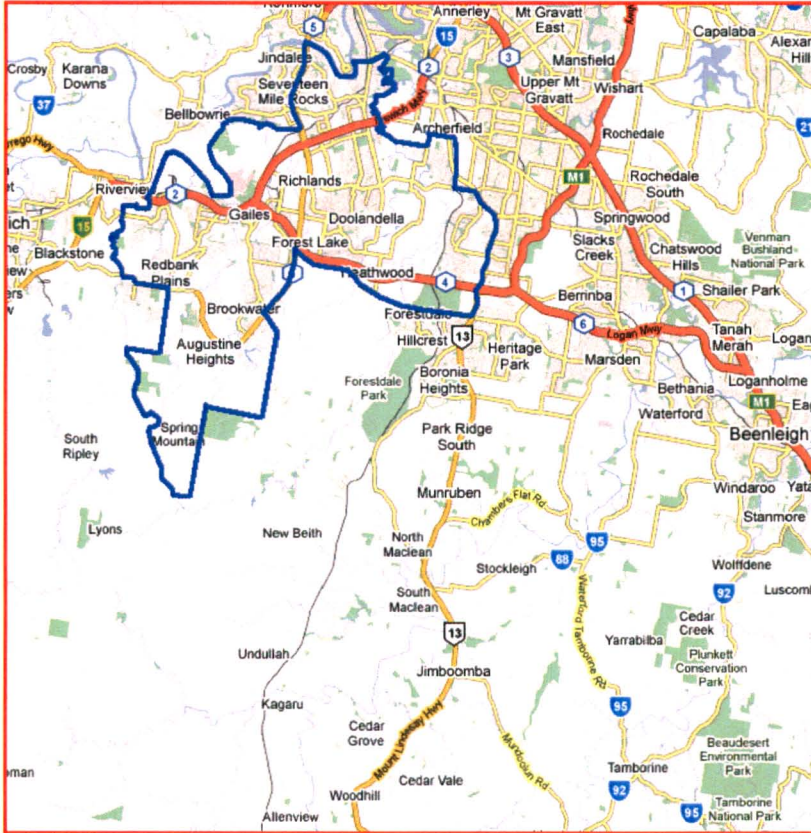
Remove (to Blair):

- part of Ipswich (C) – East SLA, including the CCDs 3130801, 3130802, 3130803, 3130807, 3130808, 3130809, 3130810, 3130811, 3130812, 3130815, 3130820, 3130821, 3130826, 3130827, 3130901, 3130902, 3130903, 3130904, 3130905, 3130906, 3130907, 3131002, 3131003, 3131004, 3131005, 3131007, 3131011, 3131012, 3131202, 3131203, 3131204, 3131205, 3131206, 3131207, 3131208, 3131210, 3131211, 3131212, 3131213, 3131301, 3131308, 3131309, 3131404, 3131406, 3131410, 3131411, 3131412, a part of 3131001 (north of a line extending from Moss Road to the Centenary Hwy, as illustrated below), a part of 3131209 (the part south of the Ipswich Motorway), and a part of 3131307 (the part south of the Ipswich Motorway).

Remove (to a New Division):

- part of Corinda SLA, including CCDs 3261206 and 3261207,
- part of Darra-Sumner SLA, including CCDs 3260909, 3260910, 3261102, 3261103, 3261106 and a part of 3262304 (the part north of the Ipswich Motorway),
- part of Oxley SLA, including CCDs 3261101, 3261105, 3261107, 3261108, 3261110, 3261112, 3261113, 3261114 and 3261115,
- all of Seventeen Mile Rocks SLA
- part of Wacol SLA, including CCDs 3260904 and 3260908, and
- part of Ipswich SLA, including CCDs 3131201, a part of 3131209 (the part north of Ipswich Motorway) and a part of 3131307 (the part north of the Ipswich Motorway).

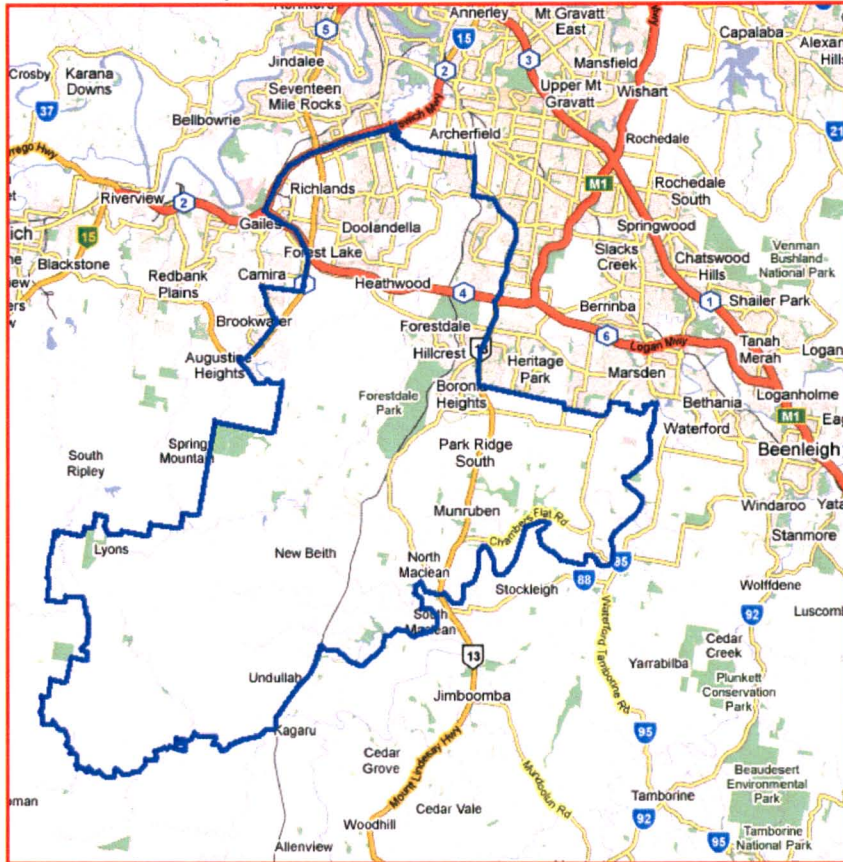
Current boundaries for Oxley:



Current boundaries for Oxley:

1. Beaudesert Road
2. Mount Lindesay Highway
3. Brisbane LGA boundary
4. Ipswich LGA boundary
5. O'Briens Gully
6. A line
7. Woogarook Creek
8. Watershed
9. Six Mile Creek
10. Property bdy
11. Keidges Road
12. Redbank Plains Road
13. Six Mile Creek
14. Brisbane River
15. Wolston Creek
16. Wacol Station Road
17. Property bdy
18. Wolston Road
19. Bullock Head Creek
20. Main Line Railway
21. Centenary Highway
22. Brisbane River
23. A line
24. Hilda Street
25. Tennyson Railway Line
26. Sherwood Road
27. Oxley Creek
28. Property bdy
29. Mortimer Road
30. Beatty Road
31. Kerry Road
32. Beaudesert Road
33. Weaver Street
34. Celtic Street
35. A line
36. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
37. Learoyd Road

Proposed boundaries for Oxley:



Proposed boundaries for Oxley:

1. Beaudesert Road
2. Mount Lindsey Highway
3. Green Road
4. Clarke Road
5. Bumstead Road
6. Chambers Flat Road
7. Property bdys
8. Bayes Road
9. Logan Reserve Road
10. A creek
11. Logan River
12. Flagstone Creek
13. Teviot Road
14. Homestead Drive
15. A creek
16. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
17. Logan LGA boundary
18. Springfield Greenbank Arterial
19. Centenary Highway
20. Old Logan Road
21. Moss Road
22. A straight line
23. Centenary Highway
24. Logan Motorway
25. Ipswich Motorway
26. Oxley Creek
27. Property bdys
28. Mortimer Road
29. A line
30. Brisbane Sydney Railway Line
31. Learoyd Road

So, 6 less boundary descriptors for Oxley needed.

The proposed Oxley is significantly different to the existing division. Given its proximity to high growth areas near Ipswich, and its proximity to the location of the new division (in the submissions of the ALP and LNP as well), it seems that making fairly significant changes to Oxley will be unavoidable.

Under this proposal, Oxley still contains the area of south-western Brisbane suburbs between Inala, Forest Lake and Acacia Ridge. It still comprises significant parts of the new Springfield and Springfield Lakes estates.

However, the division moves south of the Ipswich Motorway, and gains areas that have recently become the western end of Logan LGA. In fact, its new western boundary aligns perfectly with the new Logan LGA boundary. This new area, which is bordered on the south by the Logan River, includes high growth areas such as New Beith and Park Ridge.

The major roads and means of transport within the division remain the Logan Motorway, the Ipswich Motorway and the Centenary Highway. The division also gains areas that adjoin the western side of Mount Lindesay Hwy. The division now also contains a significant length of the Sydney-Brisbane railway line.

Overall, the proposed division has a physical area that is quite cohesive, and contains a series of contiguous suburbs linked by major arterial roads. In summary, the proposed Oxley can be described as “south-west Brisbane, the rural parts of Logan LGA, and Springfield”.

The proposed Oxley also has a much simpler boundary than the existing division, making it relatively easy to explain to electors.

This proposal removes a total of 36,008 electors from Oxley (3,147 to Moreton, 19,167 to Blair and 13,694 to the New Division). The proposed Oxley is 9.55% under the current quota and will be 0.34% under the projection date quota (almost spot on). The proposed Oxley is therefore within the allowable quota limits, and is well within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%. Note that it is very close to the current lower quota limit – this is unavoidable in this region due to the high growth areas around Ipswich.

Lastly, note that the suggestion of the ALP for Oxley appears to fail against our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%. The proposal outlined here will better promotes the principle of “one vote, one value”.

Summary of proposed division of Oxley:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 6 less descriptors needed to explain boundaries**
- Improved community interests represented**
- Improves the means of travel and communication within division**
- Improves physical features of division, with larger overall area**

The next division to be considered is Blair, which will contribute a significant number of surplus electors directly into the new division.

Blair

The submissions of the ALP and LNP should be adopted insofar as they suggest that parts of Blair should be used to form the new division. In particular, Laidley and Gatton should be transferred in this manner, consistent with the proposals of both major parties. It is also submitted that South-West Ipswich should be transferred in this manner, consistent with the ALP proposal. The general approach suggested by the LNP, in terms of shrinking Blair in towards Ipswich city, is also fundamentally sound.

However, for unknown reasons, neither major political party makes the obvious suggestion that Blair should essentially *become* the boundaries of Ipswich LGA, to the extent that is possible.

It is submitted that the LNP proposal, to include parts of Brisbane LGA (along the Ipswich Road corridor) is unnecessary. Essentially, it is less than ideal when you consider that Blair can become a division focused entirely on Ipswich LGA and Boonah areas alone.

Similarly, it is submitted that the ALP proposal, to include Somerset LGA with Blair, is also unnecessarily complex. What's more, the ALP suggestion, which links Somerset with Ipswich via a very narrow strip of land, looks very odd indeed. It is questionable whether a shape like that meets the legislative criteria for community interests and a suitable physical area.

The division of Blair is significantly over-quota in its own right. Without considering the flow-on effects caused by other divisions to its south, Blair would require the removal of an area containing more than 6,700 electors at the projection date, to be within the allowable statistical limits.

After the proposed addition of surplus electors from Oxley (plus the 8 from Forde), Blair is even further over-quota and requires the removal of more than 34,500 surplus electors.

It is proposed that these surplus electors should all go towards the creation of the New Division in this area. Along with the 13,694 electors contributed by Oxley to the New Division, these numbers of surplus electors finally cross the 50% mark for the amount needed for a new division.

Note how the approach used in this submission disproves the ALP suggestion that the new division needs to be located in the Gold Coast hinterland / Beaudesert region. The approach that has been taken so far establishes that the entire Southern region, including the Gold Coast, Logan, South Brisbane and Beaudesert, only contributes approximately 21,000 surplus electors to the new division. It is only after the Ipswich region is considered that the number of surplus electors reaches a threshold that justifies the creation of a new division.

In particular, note how the remaining 40% of the population of the new division will need to come from north of the Brisbane River, including North Brisbane, Moreton Bay Shire and the Sunshine Coast. Hence, the location of the new division should clearly be a place where it can take easy advantage of surplus electors in those areas. That is why this submission calls for the new division to be located west and north of Ipswich – because it can absorb electors directly from over-quota divisions in these areas, such as Fairfax and Dickson.

The proposal for Blair is as follows:

Add (from Forde):

- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Beaudesert SLA, being the part of CCD 3151312 south of the new LGA boundary that becomes part of Scenic Rim LGA (contains approximately 8 electors).

Add (from Oxley):

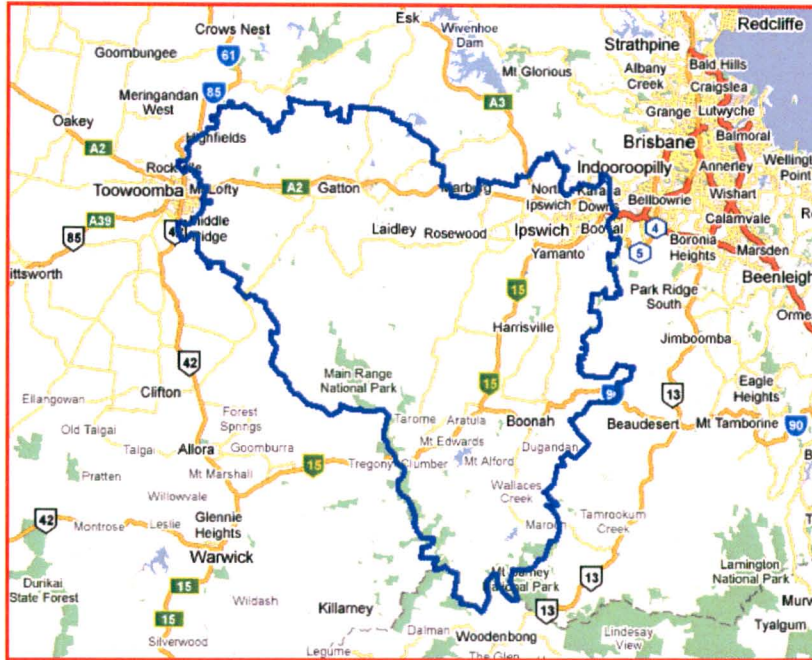
- part of Ipswich (C) – East SLA, including the CCDs 3130801, 3130802, 3130803, 3130807, 3130808, 3130809, 3130810, 3130811, 3130812, 3130815, 3130820, 3130821, 3130826, 3130827, 3130901, 3130902, 3130903, 3130904, 3130905, 3130906, 3130907, 3131002, 3131003, 3131004, 3131005, 3131007, 3131011, 3131012, 3131202, 3131203, 3131204, 3131205, 3131206, 3131207, 3131208, 3131210, 3131211, 3131212, 3131213, 3131301, 3131308, 3131309, 3131404, 3131406, 3131410, 3131411, 3131412, a part of 3131001 (north of a line extending from Moss Road to the Centenary Hwy, as illustrated below), a part of 3131209 (the part south of the Ipswich Motorway), and a part of 3131307 (the part south of the Ipswich Motorway)

Remove (to the New Division):

- all of Lockyer Valley (R) – Gatton SLA,
- all of Lockyer Valley (R) – Laidley SLA,
- part of Ipswich (C) – Central SLA, including CCD 3131302 and part of 3131501 (the part north of the Warrego Hwy).
- remainder of Ipswich (C) – North SLA, including CCDs 3130501, 3130502, 3130505, 3130506, 3130507, 3130511, 3130604, 3130605, 3130609, 3130612 and 3132101,
- part of Ipswich (C) - South-West SLA, being CCD 3130401,
- all of Ipswich (C) – West SLA, and
- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Boonah SLA, being the part of CCD part of 3130410 west of Bremer River.

This proposal ensures that Blair is comprised only of areas of Ipswich LGA and Boonah SLA. It contains all of Ipswich city and the inner suburbs of Ipswich, and its boundaries also align with Ipswich LGA boundaries in many places.

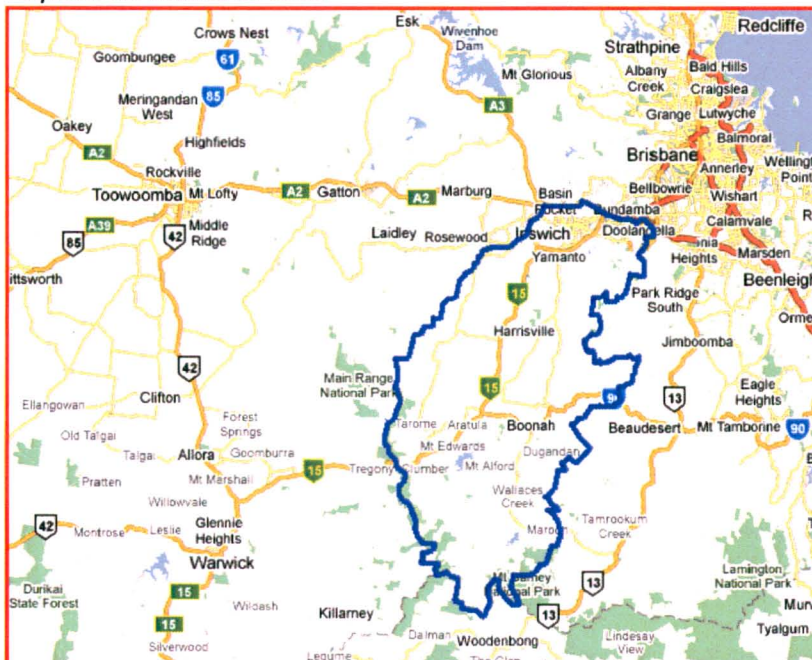
Current boundaries for Blair:



Current boundaries for Blair:

1. Scenic Rim LGA boundary
2. Lockyer Valley LGA boundary
3. Ipswich LGA boundary
4. Kholo Road
5. Blackwall Road
6. Schottes Road
7. Lansdowne Way
8. Allawah Road
9. A road
10. A line
11. Brisbane River
12. Six Mile Creek
13. Redbank Plains Road
14. Keidges Road
15. Property bds
16. Six Mile Creek
17. Watershed
18. Woogaroo Creek
19. A line
20. O'Briens Gully
21. Ipswich LGA boundary
22. Property bds
23. A road
24. Property bds
25. Teviot Brook

Proposed boundaries for Blair:



Proposed boundaries for Blair:

1. Scenic Rim LGA boundary
2. Bremer River
3. A line
4. Wulkuraka Connection Road
5. Warrego Highway
6. Ipswich Motorway
7. Ipswich LGA boundary
8. A line
9. Moss Road
10. Old Logan Road
11. Centenary Highway
12. Springfield Greenbank Arterial
13. Ipswich LGA boundary
14. Scenic Rim LGA boundary
15. Teviot Brook

So 10 fewer boundary descriptors needed for Blair

It is submitted that the community interests represented within Blair are improved by this proposal. Firstly, this proposal reinforces that Ipswich city is the heart of the division of Blair. The addition of Brookwater, Goodna, Gales and Redbank Plains and parts of Springfield ensures that almost all of the major suburban Ipswich areas are now reunited within one division. Secondly, this proposal removes many of the outlying rural areas from the division, such as Laidley and Gatton. This also has the effect of focusing the division upon a more consistent set of community interests.

This proposal does retain one rural area in the division – Boonah SLA, which is the region linked to Ipswich via the Ipswich-Boonah Road and the Cunningham Hwy . But essentially, the entire area west of Ipswich, which is focused on the Warrego Hwy, is transferred to the new division.

This is a much simpler proposal to describe, overall, than the LNP suggestion. It also avoids the odd looking boundaries suggested by the ALP.

Furthermore, this proposal simplifies the boundaries for electors, making them easier to understand, which will help to reduce confusion and disenfranchisement.

This proposal transfers a total of 32,174 electors from Blair into the New Division.

The proposed Blair is 9.94% under the current quota and will be 1.73% over the projection date quota (within the allowable limits, although just within the current quota due to high population growth in the area). Note that this is well within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%.

Summary of proposed division of Blair:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 10 less descriptors needed to explain boundaries**
- Improved community interests represented**
- Improves the means of travel and communication within division**
- Maintains similar physical features of division, with more concentrated area**

Next, the New Division is created, using surplus electors transferred from Blair, Oxley, Ryan, Dickson and Fisher. The area and physical features of the new division are based on the Lockyer Valley and Somerset LGA areas. However, a portion of its population comes from northern Ipswich and the far western suburbs of Brisbane.

The major transport link that joins the entire new division is the Warrego Hwy / Ipswich Motorway. The New Division has a cohesive area and simple boundaries. It is comprised mostly of rural areas and farmland, but also includes fringe suburban areas near the Brisbane River that are mostly acreage properties.

New Division

The New Division is created as follows:

Add (from Oxley):

- part of Corinda SLA, including CCDs 3261206 and 3261207,
- part of Darra-Sumner SLA, including CCDs 3260909, 3260910, 3261102, 3261103, 3261106 and a part of 3262304 (the part north of the Ipswich Motorway),
- part of Oxley SLA, including CCDs 3261101, 3261105, 3261107, 3261108, 3261110, 3261112, 3261113, 3261114 and 3261115,
- all of Seventeen Mile Rocks SLA
- part of Wacol SLA, including CCDs 3260904 and 3260908, and
- part of Ipswich SLA, including CCDs 3131201, a part of 3131209 (the part north of Ipswich Motorway) and a part of 3131307 (the part north of the Ipswich Motorway).

Add (from Blair):

- all of Lockyer Valley (R) – Gatton SLA,
- all of Lockyer Valley (R) – Laidley SLA,
- part of Ipswich (C) – Central SLA, including CCD 3131302 and part of 3131501 (the part north of the Warrego Hwy).
- part of Ipswich (C) – North SLA, including CCDs 3130501, 3130502, 3130505, 3130506, 3130507, 3130511, 3130604, 3130605, 3130609, 3130612 and 3132101,
- part of Ipswich (C) - South-West SLA, being CCD 3130401,
- all of Ipswich (C) – West SLA, and
- part of Scenic Rim (R) – Boonah SLA, being the part of CCD part of 3130410 west of Bremer River.

Add (from Dickson):

- all of Somerset (R) – Esk SLA

Add (from Fisher):

- all of Somerset (R) – Kilcoy SLA
- part of Caboolture Hinterland SLA, being CCD 3120106

Add (from Ryan):

- all of Anstead SLA,
- all of Bellbowrie SLA,
- part of Brookfield (incl. Brisbane Forest Park) SLA, being CCD 3231202,
- remainder of Darra-Sumner SLA,
- all of Jamboree Heights SLA,
- all of Jindalee SLA,
- all of Karana Downs-Lake Manchester SLA,
- all of Middle Park SLA,
- all of Moggill SLA,
- all of Mount Ommaney SLA,
- all of Pinjarra Hills SLA (one CCD),
- all of Pullenvale SLA,
- all of Riverhills SLA, and
- all of Westlake SLA.

Proposed boundaries of New Division:



Proposed boundaries for New Division:

Somerset LGA boundary - Brisbane LGA boundary - Mount Glorious Road - Brisbane LGA - Mount Glorious Road - Mount Nebo Road - Brisbane LGA - Property bdys - Haven Road - Moggill Creek - Upper Brookfield Rd - Brookfield Road - Gap Creek - Moggill Creek - Rafting Ground Road - Moggill Road - Moggill Creek - Brisbane River – A line - Consort Street - A line - Tennyson Railway Line - Cliveden Avenue - A line - Oxley Creek - Ipswich Motorway - Warrego Highway - Wulkuraka Connection Road - A line - Bremer River - Ipswich LGA boundary - Lockyer Valley LGA boundary - Somerset LGA boundary

So 32 new descriptors are needed to explain the boundaries of the New Division to electors.

Close up of proposed boundaries for New Division (north of Ipswich Motorway):



The major transport link that joins the entire new division is the Warrego Hwy / Ipswich Motorway. Other major transport routes include the Brisbane Valley Hwy and Moggill Road.

The New Division has a cohesive area and simple boundaries. It is comprised mostly of rural areas and farmland, but also includes fringe suburban areas near the Brisbane River that are mostly acreage properties. This mix is common in South-East Queensland divisions. For example, a similar mix is contained within the current divisions of Forde, Blair, Dickson and Fisher. In actual fact, this New Division bears some similarities to the division of Blair when it was first created. This similarity tends to confirm that it contains a strong set of community interests.

The New Division proposed is located in a position where it is able to source surplus electors directly from four over-quota divisions: Oxley, Blair, Dickson and Fisher. This greatly assists when seeking to minimise disruption to electors.

Compare this to the potential locations of the New Division as proposed by the major political parties. The New Division proposed by the ALP (south and west of Ipswich) does not take advantage of any surplus electors from Moreton Bay LGA or the Sunshine Coast. It thus causes changes to the divisions around south Brisbane and Logan that are far more excessive than need be the case. Furthermore, the flow-on effects it causes gives the adjacent divisions Blair and Forde truly strange looking boundaries! In the ALP proposal, Blair becomes linked to Somerset LGA via a tiny narrow strip of land containing only one linking road – just looking at the general shape of the boundaries makes it clear there are serious inadequacies in the community interests and means of transport within the division. Forde gains a strange area shaped like the letter M that somehow creeps up all the way to the Bayside, placing the suburb of Carbrook in the same division as the upcoming estates in New Beith, on the other side of Springfield Lakes. Strange “dog-leg” areas in boundaries are an obvious sign of attempts to subvert community interests in favour of political margins.

Similarly, the location of the New Division proposed by the LNP misses the opportunity to efficiently transfer surplus electors directly from Moreton Bay LGA and the Sunshine Coast. Instead, their proposal seeks to transfer

areas from regional South Queensland. It is discussed elsewhere in this submission how the regional parts of the State are self-sufficient on this occasion, and do not need to contribute surplus electors to the south-east corner.

For these reasons, the location of the New Division should be similar to, but not exactly the same as, the proposals made by the major political parties.

This proposal creates a New Division that is 0.29% above the current quota and will be 1.21% below the projection date quota, so it is very nearly spot-on at the current date and will be well within the allowable statistical limits at the projection date of 9 July 2012. Furthermore, the New Division easily meets our more ambitious projection date quotas of +/-3.00%.

The New Division is comprised of 13,694 electors transferred from Oxley, 32,174 electors transferred from Blair, 29,563 electors transferred from Ryan, 10,811 electors transferred from Dickson, and 2,360 from Fisher.

No submission is made with respect to the naming of the new division.

Summary of proposed New Division:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – only 32 descriptors needed to explain new boundaries**
- Strong set of community interests represented**
- Consistent and strong means of travel and communication throughout division**

The next division to be considered is Ryan, because a significant portion of its electors have been transferred into the new division.

As with all Brisbane north-side divisions, Ryan benefits from a realignment of the boundaries which will finally resolve the current “dog-leg” area that protrudes south from the division of Petrie all the way to Stafford.

It is proposed that Ryan be improved by making changes that will ensure it only contains suburban and outer suburban areas, north of the Brisbane River.

Ryan

Some parts of the ALP submission for Ryan should be adopted – moving the division north of the Brisbane River, and adding areas around The Gap. The submission of the LNP, which involves adding further suburbs south of the Brisbane River to Ryan, should be rejected.

In this proposal, a significant portion of Ryan is transferred into the New Division. That means that Ryan is one of the few divisions that is impacted more under this submission than under the submissions of the major political parties.

There are two reasons for this suggestion:

- (a) Firstly, it helps create a New Division with a far better geographic area and a better set of community interests, compared to the proposals of the ALP and LNP.
- (b) Secondly, it leads into one of the major achievements of this submission, which is the realignment of the Brisbane north-side divisions to fix the existing problems with those boundaries.

The division of Ryan is presently within quota, in its own right. However, given its location, flow-on effects are likely to impact upon Ryan’s boundaries under any viable proposal. No submission received by the Committee suggests that the current boundaries of Ryan can be left unchanged.

Under this proposal, it is suggestion that the division of Ryan be moved entirely north of the Brisbane River. Ryan should gain additional outer-western suburbs around The Gap, so that it essentially becomes the division that contains an arc of all the outer Brisbane suburban areas that are between 6km and 12km west of the CBD. This is similar to the approach suggested by the ALP. However, because the ALP suggested a New Division too far south, and have taken inadequate steps to remedy the problems with the current boundaries on Brisbane’s northside, their approach needs to be taken one step further.

In addition to the transfer of Ferny Grove, Upper Kedron and Keperra, it is suggested that the entire Samford Road residential corridor should be moved into Ryan from Brisbane. This includes Mitchelton, Alderley, Enoggera and Everon Park. Furthermore, a part of the tail end of the division of Petrie should be transferred into Ryan, so that all of Everton Park is reunited within one division. This area also includes all of Stafford and Stafford Heights west of Appleby Road.

It is also suggested that a small area, essentially the suburb of Auchenflower, is transferred from Ryan into Brisbane. This improves the sets of community interests contained in both divisions. It reunites all of the suburbs of Bardon and Paddington within Brisbane, and it removes the only inner-city area within Ryan, so that Ryan becomes focused entirely on more suburban areas. The physical shapes of both divisions are improved by this small change, and the boundary between the two divisions is greatly simplified. Although “double transfers” are generally discouraged in this submission, the benefits of this particular transfer (in terms of community interests, simple boundaries and improved physical shapes of the divisions) makes it worthwhile on this particular occasion.

Add (from Petrie):

- all of Everton Park SLA,
- part of McDowall SLA, including CCDs 3220710 and part of 3220704 (the part south of Rode Road),
- part of Stafford Heights, including CCDs 3220901, 3220902, 3220908, 3220909, 3220910 and 3220911.

Add (from Brisbane):

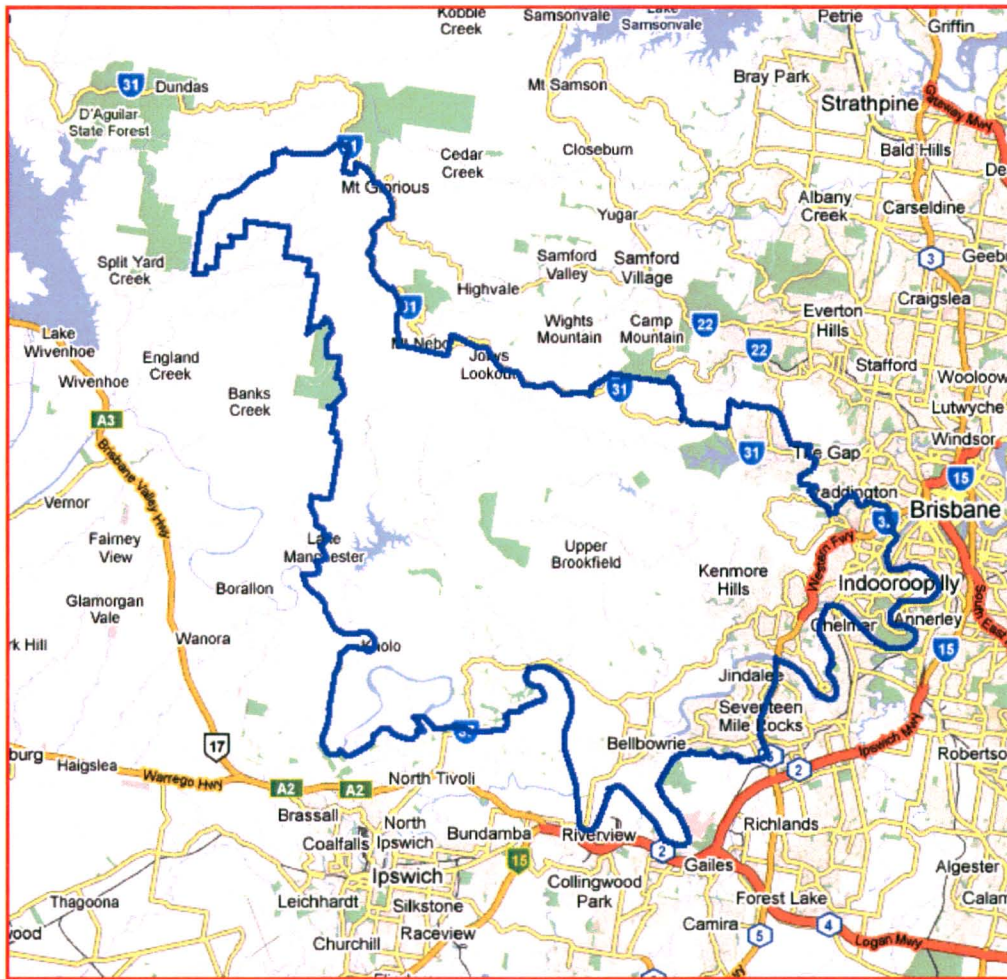
- all of Alderley SLA,
- part of Ashgrove SLA, including CCDs 3230602, 3230603, 3230604, 3230602 and part of 3230609 (the part north of Enoggera Creek),
- all of Enoggera SLA,
- all of Everton Park SLA,
- all of Ferny Grove SLA,
- all of Keperra SLA,
- all of Mitchelton SLA,
- part of Stafford SLA, including CCDs 3221101, 3221102, 3221103 and 3221112
- all of Upper Kedron SLA

Remove (to New Division):

- all of Anstead SLA,
- all of Bellbowrie SLA,
- part of Brookfield (incl. Brisbane Forest Park) SLA, being CCD 3231202,
- remainder of Darra-Sumner SLA,
- all of Jamboree Heights SLA,
- all of Jindalee SLA,
- all of Karana Downs-Lake Manchester SLA,
- all of Middle Park SLA,
- all of Moggill SLA,
- all of Mount Ommaney SLA,
- all of Pinjarra Hills SLA (one CCD),
- all of Pullenvale SLA,
- all of Riverhills SLA, and
- all of Westlake SLA.

Remove (to Brisbane):

- remainder of Bardon SLA (two CCDs only),
- remainder of Paddington SLA (one CCD only),
- part of Toowong SLA, including CCDs 3231302, 3231303, 3231304, 3231305, 3231306, 3231307, 3231308, 3231309, 3231401-411

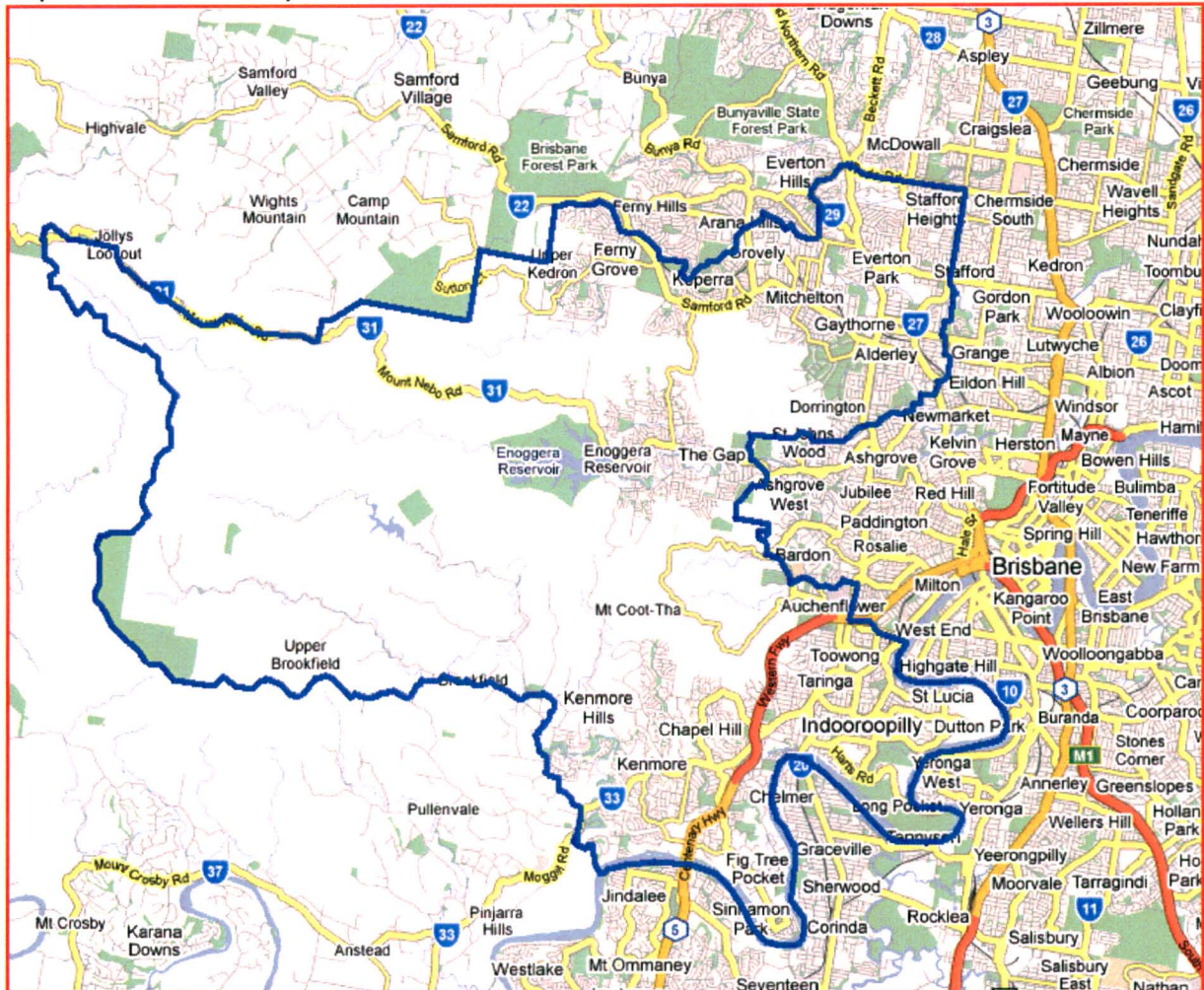


Current boundaries for Ryan:

Brisbane LGA boundary – Mount Glorious Road – Brisbane LGA – Mt Glorious Road – Mount Nebo Rd – Brisbane LGA – Property bdys – Mount Nebo Road – Brompton Road – Property bdys – Settlement Rd – Yarrabee Rd – Property bdys – Bennett Road – Waterworks Rd – Property bdys – Simpsons Road – Sir Samuel Griffith Drive – Birdwood Terrace – Stuartholme Road – Boundary Road – Hebe Street – Baroona Road – Bayswater Street – Haig Road – Torwood Street – Eagle Terrace – Roy Street – Lang Parade – A line – Brisbane River – Centenary Highway – Main Railway Line – Bullock Head Creek – Wolston Rd – Property bdys – Wacol Station Rd – Wolston Creek – Brisbane River – Kholo Road – Blackwall Rd – Schottes Road – Lansdowne Way – Allawah Road – A road – A line – Brisbane LGA boundary.

So 47 boundary descriptors are needed to explain the current boundaries of Ryan.

Proposed boundaries for Ryan:



Proposed boundaries for Ryan:

Brisbane LGA boundary – Queens Road – Rode Road – Appleby Road – Shand Street – A line – Kedron Brook – A line – Mornington Street – Longsight Street – Chelford Street – Raymond Road – Billington Street – Progress Parade – Yarradale Street – A line – Alderson Street – Enoggera Road – Kate Street – Property bdys – View Street – A line – Enoggera Creek – Property bdys – Chaprowe Road – Bennett Road – Waterworks Road – Property bdys – Simpsons Rd – Sir Samuel Griffith Drive – Birdwood Terrace – Frederick Street – Milton Road – Croydon Street – Sylvan Road – A line – Brisbane River – Moggill Creek – Moggill Road – Rafting Ground Road – Moggill Creek – Gap Creek – Brookfield Road – Upper Brookfield Road – Moggill Creek – Haven Road – Property bdys.

So 47 boundary descriptors are needed to explain the *proposed* boundaries for Ryan – no change.

The proposed boundaries for Ryan remain simple – they can be explained to electors using the same number of descriptors as is currently needed with the present boundaries.

With these changes, 36,472 electors are transferred out of Ryan: 29,563 to the New Division and 6,909 to Brisbane. 37,510 electors are transferred into Ryan (6,797 from Petrie and 30,713 from Brisbane).

The proposed Ryan will be 4.23% over the current quota and 2.64% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and well within our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Ryan:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simple boundaries – same number of descriptors needed to explain new boundaries**
- Improved set of community interests represented in division**
- Generally maintains area and means of travel and communication within division**

The next division to be considered is Brisbane.

As with all Brisbane north-side divisions, Brisbane benefits from a realignment of the boundaries which will finally resolve the current “dog-leg” area that protrudes south from the division of Petrie all the way to Stafford.

Under this realignment of north-side divisions, Brisbane becomes properly centred on the Brisbane CBD and all inner-city northern suburbs within an approximate 6km arc of the city. The narrow strip of suburbs along Samford Road, from Mithcelton to Upper Kedron is removed so that this better set of community interests can be achieved.

Brisbane

Some parts of the ALP submission for Brisbane should be adopted – transferring the areas of Ferny Grove, Keperra and Upper Kedron into Ryan (as discussed earlier). However for the reasons explained in the section on Ryan, this general approach must be taken a step further if the boundaries on the Brisbane northside (particularly Petrie) are to be realigned and improved.

Neither submission by the major political parties adequately resolves the existing “dog-leg” areas that currently exist in many of the north-side divisions. For examples, look at the north-western end of Brisbane, the northern tip of Lilley, the north-western tip of Ryan and *especially*, the narrow tail of Petrie. This submission proposes an outcome that addresses all of these dog-leg areas.

As discussed elsewhere, it is not suggested that any of these examples were necessarily unjustified at the time they appeared in the boundaries. In fact, most occurred as a result of small and gradual changes in boundaries over many redistributions. However, the fact is that dog-leg areas are not an ideal outcome, because they distort the general physical shape of divisions, raise questions about the community interests contained within the divisions, and cause criticism that implies that boundaries have been manipulated for party political reasons.

The southside is mostly free of such dog-leg areas, because recent redistributions have provided an opportunity to realign the boundaries quite often. However, fewer opportunities have occurred on the northside, and that is why this submission suggests that the Committee take the present opportunity to realign the boundaries here and improve the local divisions. As is demonstrated in this submission, this can be achieved without transferring any greater number of electors, in total, than is proposed in other submissions, or than occurred under other recent redistributions.

In this proposal, as was discussed in the section on Ryan, a significant portion of Brisbane is transferred into Ryan. This is the area containing the Samford Road corridor.

It is strongly submitted that Brisbane should become a division focused entirely on the inner northern suburbs of Brisbane, using the Brisbane River and adjacent suburbs as a major defining feature of the new physical area of the division.

Currently, Brisbane is a mix of some inner-northern suburbs and an outer suburban area centred on the Samford Road corridor that stretches north west from the Alderley area. It is submitted that this redistribution provides an excellent opportunity for the Committee to consolidate all of the inner northern suburbs into a single division, so that the northside reflects the southside in that respect.

Add (from Ryan):

- remainder of Bardon SLA,
- remainder of Paddington SLA,
- part of Toowong SLA, including CCDs 3231302, 3231303, 3231304, 3231305, 3231306, 3231307, 3231308, 3231309, 3231401-411

Add (from Lilley

- all of Albion SLA,
- all of Ascot SLA, apart from CCD 3190710 and a part of 3190703 (the part east of Nudgee Road),
- all of Clayfield SLA,
- all of Hamilton SLA, apart from CCDs 3190807 and 3190811,
- all of Hendra SLA, apart from CCD 3190407 and part of 3190406 containing zero (0) electors (the part east of Nudgee Road),
- all of Lutwyche SLA, and
- all of Woolloowin SLA

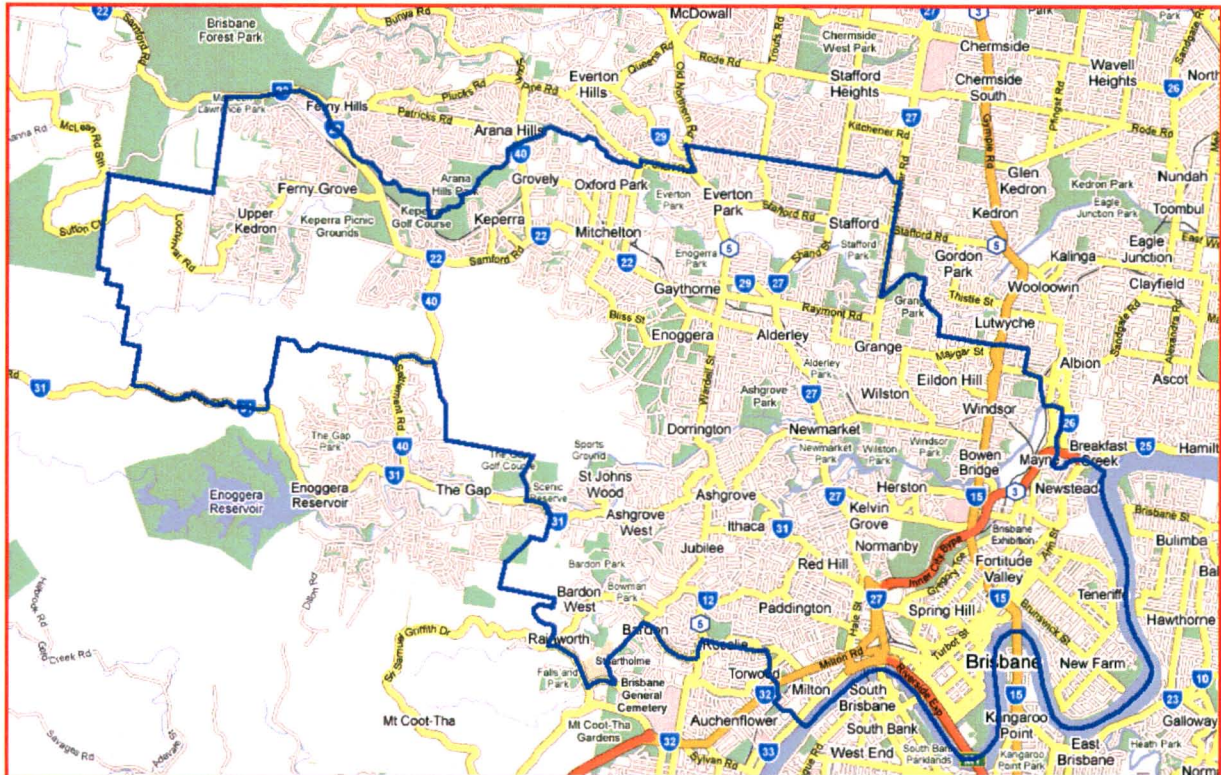
Remove (to Ryan):

- all of Alderley SLA,
- part of Ashgrove SLA, including CCDs 3230602, 3230603, 3230604, 3230602 and part of 3230609 (the part north of Enoggera Creek),
- all of Enoggera SLA,
- all of Everton Park SLA,
- all of Ferny Grove SLA,
- all of Keperra SLA,
- all of Mitchelton SLA,
- part of Stafford SLA, including CCDs 3221101, 3221102, 3221103 and 3221112
- all of Upper Kedron SLA

Remove (to Lilley):

- part of Stafford SLA, including CCDs 3221104, 3221105, 3221106, 3221107 and 3221111.

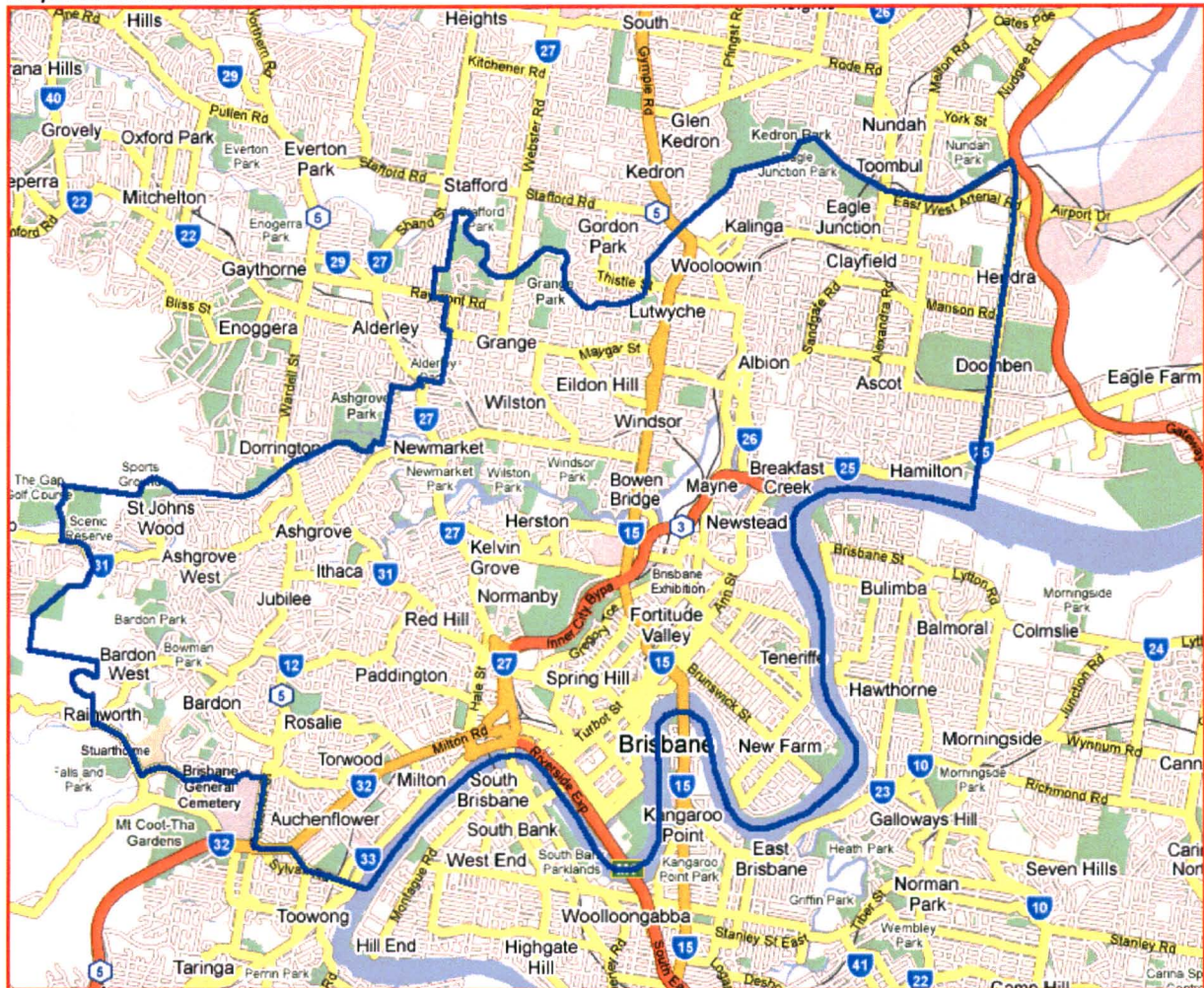
Current boundaries of Brisbane:



Current boundaries for Brisbane:

Brisbane LGA boundary – Kedron Brook – a line – Pullen Road – South Pine Road – Old Northern Road – Felstead Street – Redwood St – Appleby Road – Barbigal Street – Barokee Street – Wilgarning Street – Webster Road – Kedron Brook – Gilbert Road – Daphne Street – Fuller Street – Lutwyche Road – Truro Street – Stoneleigh Street – McLennan Street – Albion Road - Albion Overpass – North Coast Railway line – Breakfast Creek – Brisbane River – A line – Lang Parade – Roy Street – Eagle Terrace – Torwood St – Haig Road – Bayswater St – Baroona Road – Hebe Street – Boundary Road – Stuartholme Road – Birdwood Terrace – Sir Samuel Griffith Drive – Simpsons Road – Property bdys – Waterworks Road – Bennett Road – Property bdys – Yarrabee Road – Settlement Road – Property bdys – Brompton Rd – Mount Nebo Rd – Property bdys – Brisbane LGA. [51 boundary descriptors currently needed]

Proposed boundaries for Brisbane



Proposed boundaries for Brisbane:

Kedron Brook - Nudgee Road - Remora Road - A line - Brisbane River - A line - Sylvan Road - Croydon Street - Milton Rd - Frederick Street - Birdwood Terrace - Sir Samuel Griffith Drive - Simpsons Road - Property bdys - Waterworks Road - Bennett Road - Chaprowe Road - Property bdys - Enoggera Creek - A line - View Street - Property bdys - Kate Street - Enoggera Road - Alderson Street - A line - Yarradale Street - Progress Parade - Gawler Street - Billington Street - Raymont Road - Chelford Street - Longsight Street - Morningson Street - A line - Kedron Brook

[36 descriptors in total, so 15 fewer descriptors are needed to explain the proposed boundaries of Brisbane].

Under this proposal, the community interests represented in the division of Brisbane are greatly improved. The division becomes more closely focused on the inner northern suburbs and the Brisbane River. Outer suburban areas, such as Ferny Grove, Mitchelton, Everton Park and Stafford, are transferred into divisions that focus entirely on outer-suburban areas. This inner northern set of community interests closely mirrors the division of Griffith, which contains only those inner southern suburbs within a small arc south of the Brisbane River.

In inner city areas, it is not always easy to find good, simple boundary lines. However, this proposal manages to vastly simplify the boundaries for Brisbane at the same time that it improves the consistency of the communities that make up of the division.

In particular, the Brisbane River, Nudgee Road, Kedron Brook, Ashgrove Creek and the edge of Mount Coot-tha are all used as simple, readily identifiable boundaries. Between them, they make up the vast majority of the length of the new boundaries.

The means of transport and communication within the division are also improved. Rather than including a narrow strip of outer suburbs along Samford Road, the new boundaries include all of the Inner City Bypass, and all of the inner northern arterial roads to the city. This includes the inner city parts of Kingsford Smith Drive, Sandgate Road, Lutwyche Road, Kelvin Grove Road, Waterworks Road, Milton Road and Coronation Drive. The proposed division includes all of the inner northside train stations. The entire length of the proposed division is also well serviced by the CityCat water ferry system.

The overall area of the division of Brisbane does not change much under this proposal. However, the physical shape improves because the overall cohesiveness between the division's parts improves. The removal of the "dog-leg" area in the north west of the division aids this improvement considerably, as does the inclusion of additional inner city areas to the north east of the city.

In short, the proposed Brisbane can be easily described as an inner-northern division, defined by the Brisbane River and focused entirely on suburbs close to the CBD and the river.

The proposed boundaries are very simple, meaning they are easy to explain to electors. This will help to reduce confusion among electors and disenfranchisement.

The proposed Brisbane is 0.11% under the current quota and will be 2.85% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Brisbane:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 15 fewer descriptors are needed to explain new boundaries**
- Greatly improved set of community interests represented in division**
- Maintains area and improves means of travel and communication within division**

The next division to be considered is Lilley.

As with all Brisbane north-side divisions, Lilley benefits from a realignment of the boundaries which will finally resolve the current “dog-leg” area that protrudes south from the division of Petrie all the way to Stafford.

Under this realignment of north-side divisions, Lilley becomes better centred on the north and north east suburbs of Brisbane, along the bayside and outside of an arc approximately 6km arc from the CBD. The narrow strip of suburbs along Sandgate to Brighton is bolstered and improved by the addition of adjacent areas of Fitzgibbon and Bracken Ridge.

Lilley

As previously mentioned, neither submission by the major political parties adequately resolves the existing “dog-leg” areas that currently exist in many of the north-side divisions. This includes the northern tip of Lilley and particularly the narrow tail stretching south from the division of Petrie. This submission proposes an outcome that addresses all of these dog-leg areas.

It is strongly submitted that Lilley should become a division focused entirely on the suburban areas north and north-east of Brisbane, using the Bayside and Gympie Road as the major defining features of the new physical area of the division. This involves transferring the part of Lilley that is essentially “inner-city” to the division of Brisbane so that Lilley can gain areas of Bracken Ridge, Fitzgibbon and Carseldine.

Currently, Lilley is a mix of some inner-northern suburbs attached to a predominantly outer suburban area centred on the Bayside. It is submitted that this redistribution provides an excellent opportunity for the Committee to consolidate all of the north and north-eastern Brisbane suburbs into a single division.

Under this proposal, the set of community interests represented in the division of Lilley is greatly improved. The division becomes more closely focused on similar types of suburbs, located in the same area, and bordered by very simple boundary lines. Essentially, the division becomes one that can be described as “everything between the bayside and Gympie Road”. Norris Road and Kedron Brook are used as the major boundaries along the northern and southern edges of the division, respectively.

The means of transport and communication within the division are also improved. In particular, Gympie Road and the Gateway Motorway were already major means of transport in the division. A greater extent of both of these major roads is contained within the proposed division.

The overall area of the division of Lilley does not change much under this proposal. The appearance of the slight “dog-leg” area that presently exists in the boundaries of Lilley (the narrow strip from Sandgate to Brighton) is diminished by adding a number of adjacent areas from Petrie.

The proposal for Lilley can be summarised as:

Add (from Petrie):

- part of Aspley SLA, including CCDs 3220101, 3220104, 3220201, 3220202, 3220203, 3220204, 3220205, 3220209 and 3220211.
- part of Bald Hills SLA, being the CCD 3181515.
- part of Bracken Ridge SLA, including CCDs 3181508, 3181512, 3181513, 3181801, 3181802, 3181803, 3181804, 3181805, 3181806, 3181807, 3181810, 3181811, 3181812, 3181813 and 3181814.
- part of Carseldine SLA, including CCDs 3181401, 3181405, 3181406, 3181407 and 3181409.
- part of Chermside West SLA, including CCDs 3220602, 3220603, 3220604, 3220605, 3220608 and 3220609.
- part of Stafford Heights SLA, including CCDs 3220903, 3220905, 3220906 and 3220907.
- all of Taigum-Fitzgibbon SLA.

Add (from Brisbane):

- part of Stafford SLA, including CCDs 3221104, 3221105, 3221106, 3221107 and 3221111.

Remove:

- all of Albion SLA,
- all of Ascot SLA, apart from CCD 3190710 and a part of 3190703 (the part east of Nudgee Road),
- all of Clayfield SLA,
- all of Hamilton SLA, apart from CCDs 3190807 and 3190811,
- all of Hendra SLA, apart from CCD 3190407 and part of 3190406 containing zero (0) electors (the part east of Nudgee Road),
- all of Lutwyche SLA, and
- all of Woolloowin SLA

Current boundaries of Lilley:

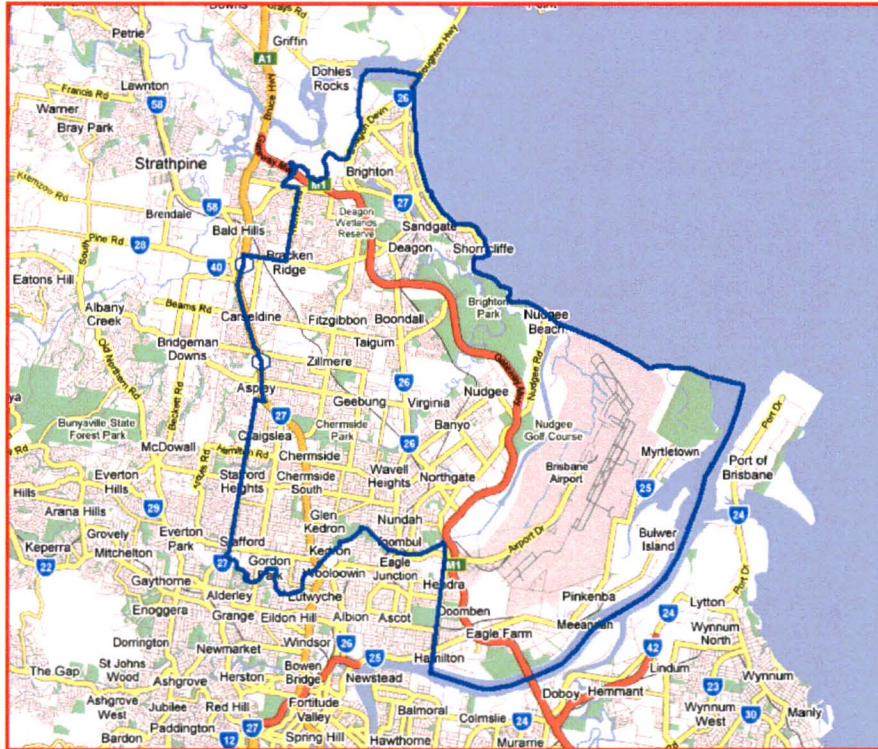


Current boundaries for Lilley:

Bayside – Brisbane River – Breakfast Creek – North Coast Railway line – Albion Overpass – Albion Road – McLennan St – Stoneleigh Street – Truro Street – Lutwyche Road – Fuller Street – Daphne Street – Gilbert Road – Kedron Brook – Webster Road – Ellison Road – Kirby Road – Zillmere Road – Property bdy – A line – Cabbage Tree Creek – A line – Depot Road – Gateway Motorway – Deagon Deviation – Property bdy – Bald Hills Creek – North Pine River – Houghton Highway

[29 boundary descriptors currently needed to explain the boundaries of Lilley to electors]

Proposed boundaries for Lilley:



Proposed boundaries for Lilley:

Bayside – Brisbane River – A line – Remora Road – Nudgee Rd – Kedron Brook – A line – Shand Street – Appleby Road – Maundrell Terrace – Darwin Street – Gympie Road – Gympie Arterial Road – Telegraph Road – Norris Road – Bracken Ridge Road – Bald Hills Creek – North Pine River – Houghton Highway
[19 boundary descriptors are needed to explain the proposed boundaries of Lilley to electors – 10 less]

As illustrated above, the proposed boundaries are also vastly simplified, meaning they are easy to explain to electors. This will help to reduce confusion among electors and disenfranchisement.

The proposed Lilley is 3.67% above the current quota and will be 2.90% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Lilley:

- ✓ **Within quota limits**
- ✓ **Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- ✓ **Simpler boundaries – 10 fewer descriptors are needed to explain new boundaries**
- ✓ **Greatly improved set of community interests represented in division**
- ✓ **Maintains area and improves means of travel and communication within division**

The next division to be considered is Petrie.

As with all Brisbane north-side divisions, Petrie benefits from a proposed realignment of the boundaries. In fact, one of the major reasons for the proposed realignment is the current “dog-leg” area that protrudes south from the general area of Petrie (around the Redcliffe Peninsula) all the way to Stafford.

Under this realignment of north-side divisions, Petrie becomes completely centred on the Redcliffe Peninsula and immediately adjacent areas. The adjacent areas are all suburbs with immediate links onto the Bruce Highway and Gympie Arterial Road, such as Deception Bay, Kallangur, North Lakes, Murrumba Downs, Bald Hills and Bracken Ridge.

The narrow strip of suburbs stretching south of Bald Hills through Aspley, Bridgeman Downs to Stafford is completely removed.

Petrie

As previously mentioned, neither submission by the major political parties adequately resolves the existing “dog-leg” areas that currently exist in many of the north-side divisions. The biggest and most obvious of all these dog-leg areas – and the one that is most commonly criticised – is the narrow, crooked area of Petrie stretching south from Bald Hills all the way to Stafford. This submission proposes an outcome that eliminates this source of criticism, by ensuring that Petrie only contains very similar community interests within a better shaped, contiguous area.

It is strongly submitted that the Committee should take this perfect opportunity to make Petrie a division focused entirely on the Redcliffe Peninsular and immediately adjacent areas. The adjacent areas are all suburbs with immediate links onto the Bruce Highway and Gympie Arterial Road, such as Deception Bay, Kallangur, North Lakes, Murrumba Downs, Bald Hills and Bracken Ridge. The major political parties have suggested changes which go some of the way towards achieving this, but they do not adequately resolve these issues.

Currently, Petrie is a less-than-deal mix of the Redcliffe Peninsula, some adjacent Bruce Highway suburbs, and a strip of Brisbane suburbs that becomes increasingly removed and isolated from the general area of the division.

It is not being suggested that Petrie was deliberately created with this problem. The issue has almost certainly occurred over time, as a result of small and gradual changes in boundaries over the course of many redistributions. However, the fact is that dog-leg areas are not an ideal outcome, because they distort the general physical shape of divisions, raise questions about the community interests contained within the divisions, and cause criticism that implies that boundaries have been manipulated for party political reasons.

Under this proposal, the set of community interests represented in the division of Petrie is greatly improved. The division becomes more closely focused on similar types of suburbs, located in the same area, and bordered by very simple boundary lines. Essentially, the division becomes one that can be described as “Redcliffe and the new estates along the Bruce Highway”.

Under this proposal, an added bonus is that the suburb of Petrie gets reunited within the division of the same name, which should help to decrease elector confusion and disenfranchisement.

The proposal for Petrie is as follows:

Add (from Longman):

- All of Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs SLA.
- Part of Deception Bay SLA, including CCDs 3121002, 3122301, 3122302, 3122307, 3122308, 3122309, 3122312, 3122313, 3122314 and 3122315.
- All of Griffin-Mango Hill SLA.
- Remainder of Petrie SLA, being only part of one CCD: 3181105.

Add (from Dickson):

- All of Petrie SLA.
- Remainder of Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs SLA.
- Part of Lawnton SLA (east of Gympie Road, being CCDs 3180607 and part of 3180605).
- Part of Strathpine-Brendale SLA (the part east of Gympie Road, being CCDs 3180802, 3180803, 3180804, 3180805, 3180806, 3180807, 3180809 and the part of 3180808 east of Gympie Road).

Remove (to Lilley):

- part of Aspley SLA, including CCDs 3220101, 3220104, 3220201, 3220202, 3220203, 3220204, 3220205, 3220209 and 3220211.
- part of Bald Hills SLA, being the CCD 3181515.
- part of Bracken Ridge SLA, including CCDs 3181508, 3181512, 3181513, 3181801, 3181802, 3181803, 3181804, 3181805, 3181806, 3181807, 3181810, 3181811, 3181812, 3181813 and 3181814.
- part of Carseldine SLA, including CCDs 3181401, 3181405, 3181406, 3181407 and 3181409.
- part of Chermside West SLA, including CCDs 3220602, 3220603, 3220604, 3220605, 3220608 and 3220609.
- part of Stafford Heights SLA, including CCDs 3220903, 3220905, 3220906 and 3220907.
- all of Taigum-Fitzgibbon SLA.

Remove (to Dickson):

- part of Aspley SLA, including CCDs 3220102, 3220103, 3220105, 3220106, 3220107, 3220108, 3220109, 3220110, 3220111, 3220112.
- part of Bald Hills SLA, including CCD 3181505 and part of 3181504 (the part west of Gympie Arterial Road)
- all of Bridgeman Downs SLA
- part of Carseldine SLA, including CCDs 3181402, 3181403, 3181404 and 3181408
- part of Chermside West SLA, including CCDs 3220601, 3220606, 3220607 and 3220610.
- all of McDowall SLA, except for part of CCD 3220703 (the part south of Rode Road).

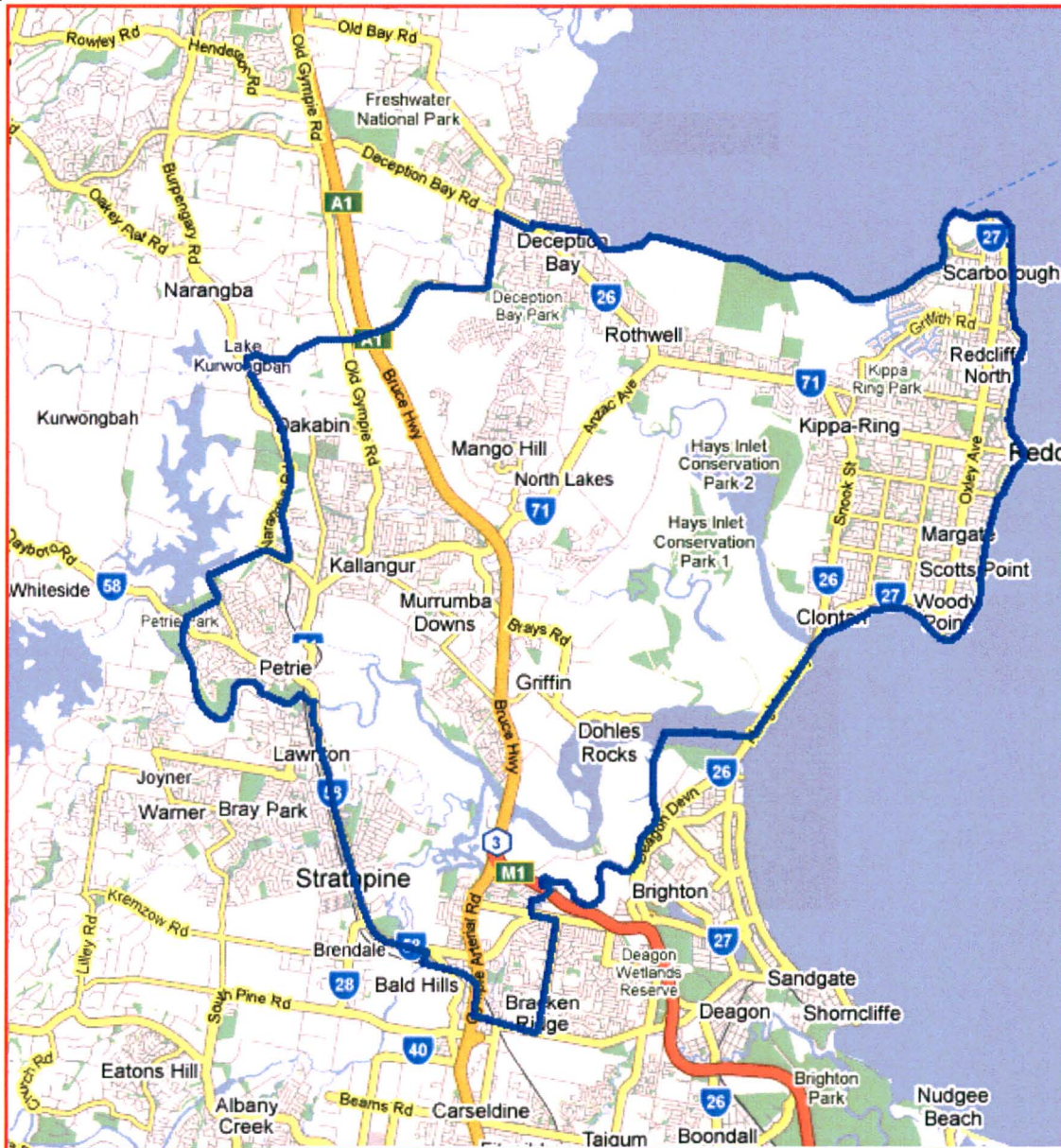
Remove (to Ryan):

- all of Everton Park SLA,
- part of McDowall SLA, including CCDs 3220710 and part of 3220704 (the part south of Rode Road),
- part of Stafford Heights, including CCDs 3220901, 3220902, 3220908, 3220909, 3220910 and 3220911.

Current boundaries of Petrie [44 boundary descriptors needed]:



Proposed boundaries for Petrie:



Proposed boundaries for Petrie:

Moreton Bay LGA boundary – Bald Hills Creek – Bracken Ridge Rd – Norris Road – Telegraph Road – Gympie Arterial Rd – North Coast Railway line – South Pine River – Gympie Road – North Pine River – Property bdy – Beeville Road – Torrens Road – Narangba Road – North Coast Railway line – Boundary Road – Lipscombe Road – Deception Bay Road – Bailey Road – Maine Terrace – A line – Coastline

[22 boundary descriptors are needed to explain the proposed boundaries of Lilley to electors – This is 22 less than currently!]

The proposed Petrie is 6.91% below the current quota and will be 2.81% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Petrie:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries – 22 fewer descriptors are needed to explain new boundaries**
- Greatly improved set of community interests represented in division**
- Maintains area and improves means of travel and communication within division**

The next division to be considered is Dickson.

As with all Brisbane north-side divisions, Dickson benefits from a proposed realignment of the local boundaries.

Under this realignment of north-side divisions, Dickson becomes completely centred on the outer north-west suburbs of Brisbane, extending out as far as the western edge of the new Moreton Bay LGA. Dickson gains a significant portion of the “tail” of Petrie, including parts of Aspley, Bridgeman Downs and McDowall.

The old Esk LGA is transferred into the New Division. This approach greatly improves the cohesiveness of the community interests contained within Dickson.

Dickson

Add (from Petrie

- part of Aspley SLA, including CCDs 3220102, 3220103, 3220105, 3220106, 3220107, 3220108, 3220109, 3220110, 3220111, 3220112.
- part of Bald Hills SLA, including CCD 3181505 and part of 3181504 (the part west of Gympie Arterial Road)
- all of Bridgeman Downs SLA
- part of Carseldine SLA, including CCDs 3181402, 3181403, 3181404 and 3181408
- part of Chermside West SLA, including CCDs 3220601, 3220606, 3220607 and 3220610.
- all of McDowall SLA, except for part of CCD 3220703 (the part south of Rode Road)

Add (from Longman):

- part of Caboolture Midwest SLA, including CCDs 3122204 and 3122221.
- part of Burpengary-Narangba SLA, being only one CCD: 3122209.

Add (from Fisher):

- part of Caboolture Midwest SLA, being only one CCD: 3122203

Remove (to Petrie):

- All of Petrie SLA.
- Remainder of Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs SLA.
- Part of Lawnton SLA (east of Gympie Road, being CCDs 3180607 and part of 3180605).
- Part of Strathpine-Brendale SLA (the part east of Gympie Road, being CCDs 3180802, 3180803, 3180804, 3180805, 3180806, 3180807, 3180809 and the part of 3180808 east of Gympie Road).

Remove (to New Division):

- All of Esk SLA.

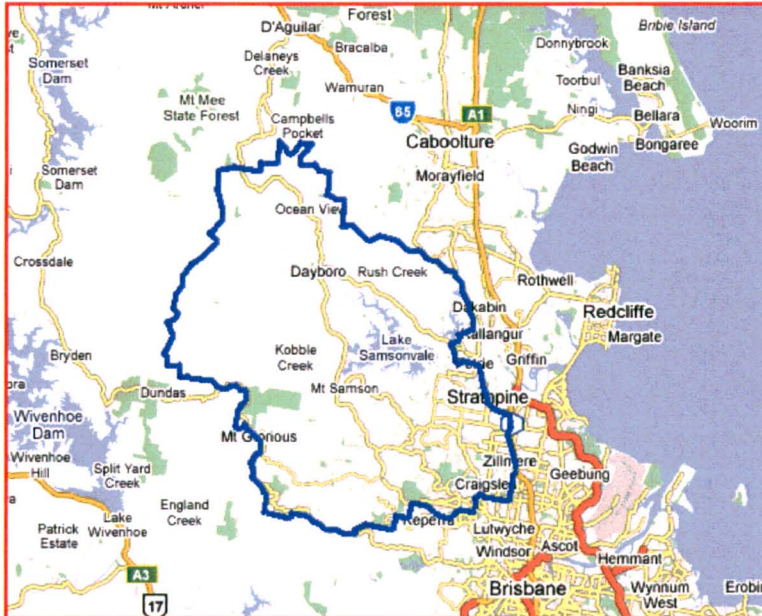
Current boundaries of Dickson (whole):



Current boundaries for Dickson (along eastern edge):

1. Property bdys
2. Roberts Road
3. Smiths Road
4. Property bdys
5. Browns Creek Road
6. Property bdys
7. Mumford Road
8. Knights Road
9. Property bdys
10. School Road
11. A line
12. North Coast Railway Line
13. Anzac Avenue
14. Yebri Creek
15. North Pine River
16. A line
17. Bickle Road
18. Dohles Rocks Road
19. Property bdys
20. Goodfellows Road
21. Duffield Road
22. Property bdys
23. A watercourse
24. Bruce Highway
25. North Pine River
26. South Pine River
27. Moreton Bay LGA boundary

Proposed boundaries for Dickson (whole) NB: different scale to above

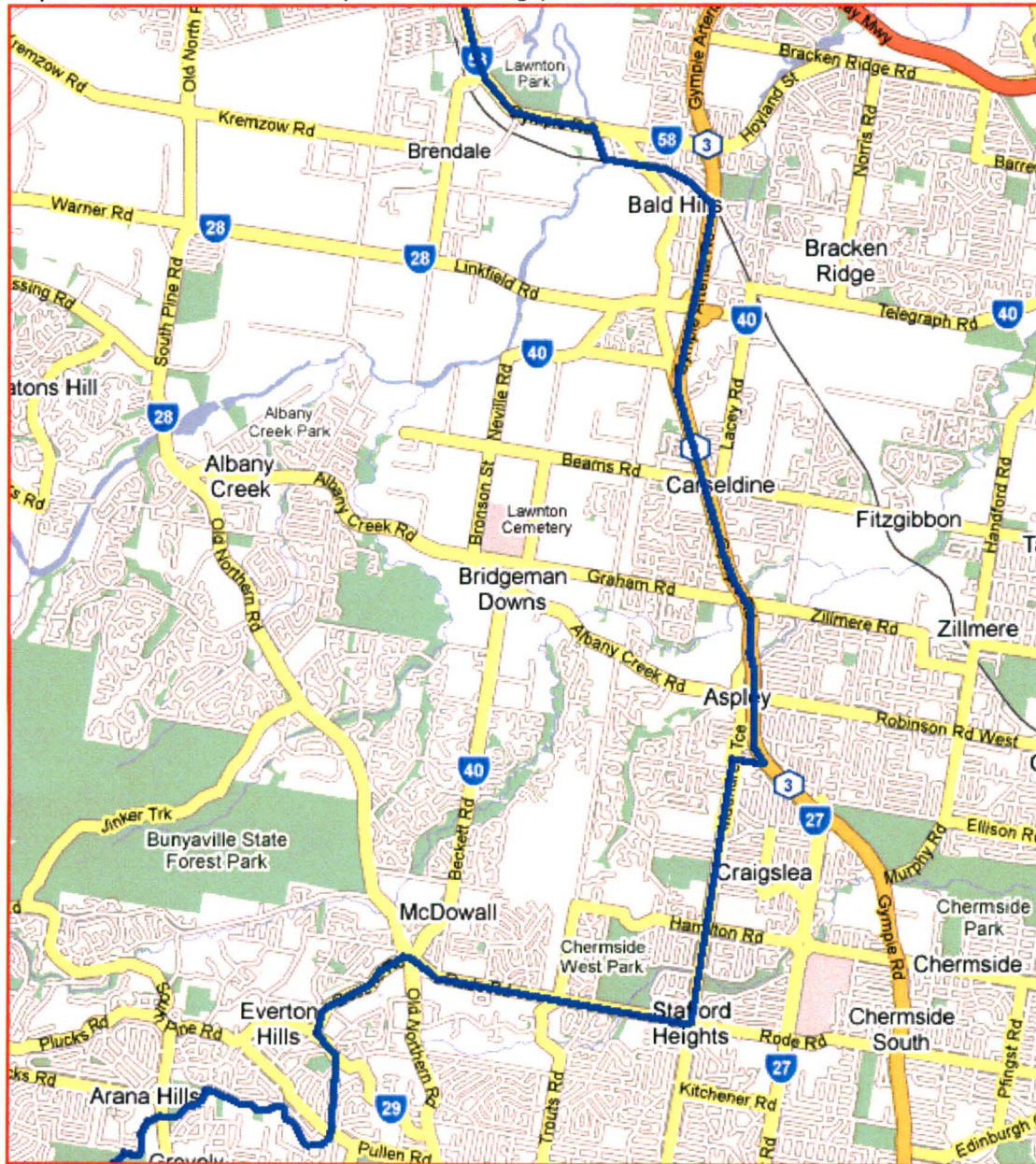


Proposed boundaries for Dickson (along eastern edge):

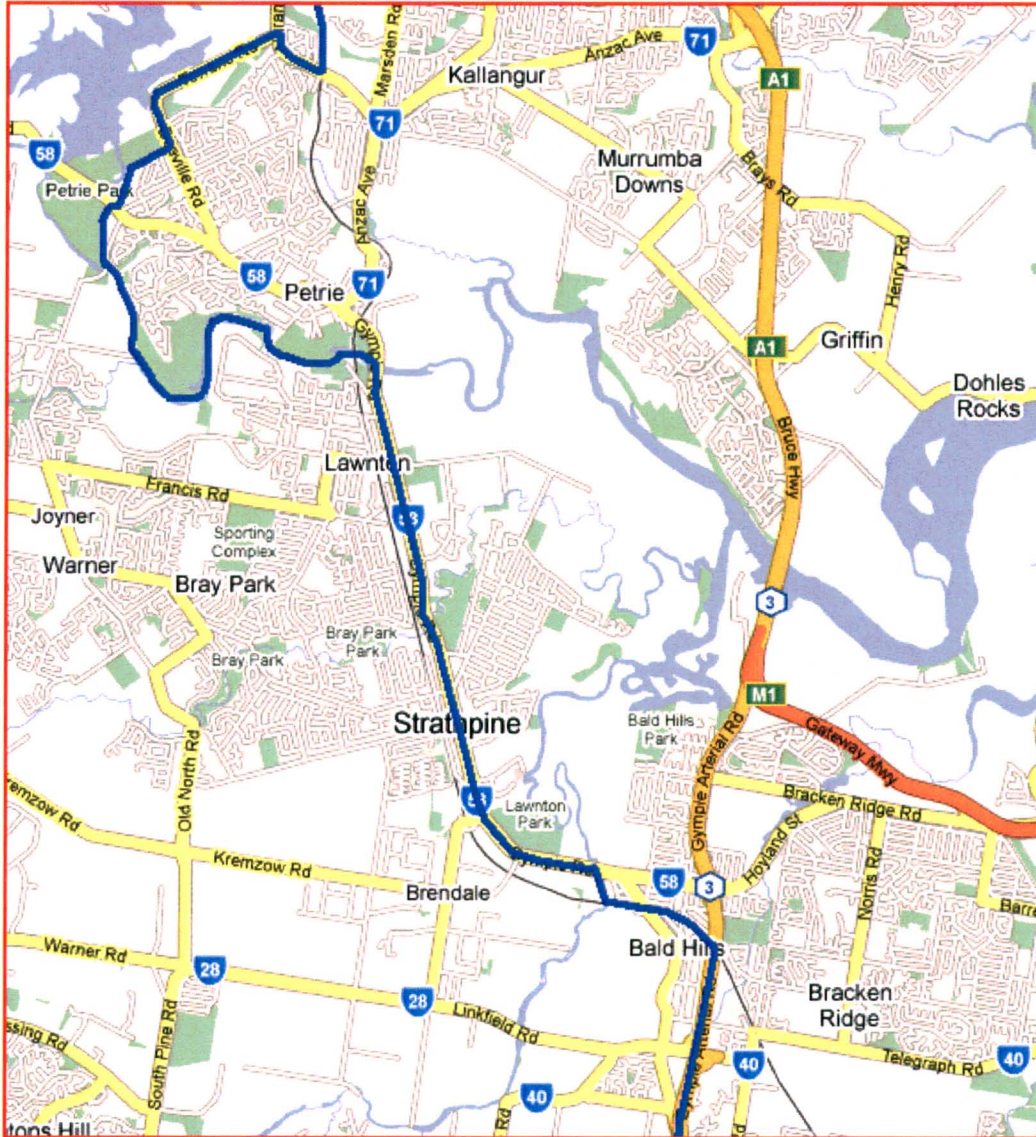
1. Property bdys (existing bdy)
2. Burpengary Creek
3. Oakey Flat Road
4. A line
5. North Coast Railway line
6. Narangba Road
7. Torrens Road
8. Beeville Road
9. Property bdys
10. North Pine River
11. Gympie Road
12. South Pine River
13. North Coast Railway line
14. Gympie Arterial Road
15. Gympie Road
16. Darwin Street
17. Maundrell Terrace
18. Rode Road
19. Queens Road
20. Moreton Bay LGA boundary (existing boundary)

20 boundaries is 7 fewer than before.

Proposed boundaries for Dickson (south eastern edge):



Proposed boundaries for Dickson (eastern edge):



The proposed Dickson is 1.99% below the current quota and will be 2.94% under the projection date quota (within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Dickson:

- ☑ Within quota limits
- ☑ Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)
- ☑ Simpler boundaries – 8 fewer descriptors are needed to explain new boundaries
- ☑ Greatly improved set of community interests represented in division
- ☑ Improves means of travel and communication in division, reduces area of division

The next division to be considered is Longman, located immediately north of Dickson and Petrie.

Longman contributes some areas to the new (greatly-improved) division of Petrie. It also regains all of the region around Woodford, Wamuran and Upper Caboolture, which reunites all of the northern end of Moreton Bay LGA within one division. Longman returns to boundaries closer to what it has traditionally had since its creation.

Longman

Remove (to Petrie)

- All of Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs SLA.
- Part of Deception Bay SLA, including CCDs 3121002, 3122301, 3122302, 3122307, 3122308, 3122309, 3122312, 3122313, 3122314 and 3122315.
- All of Griffin-Mango Hill SLA.
- Remainder of Petrie SLA, being only part of one CCD: 3181105.

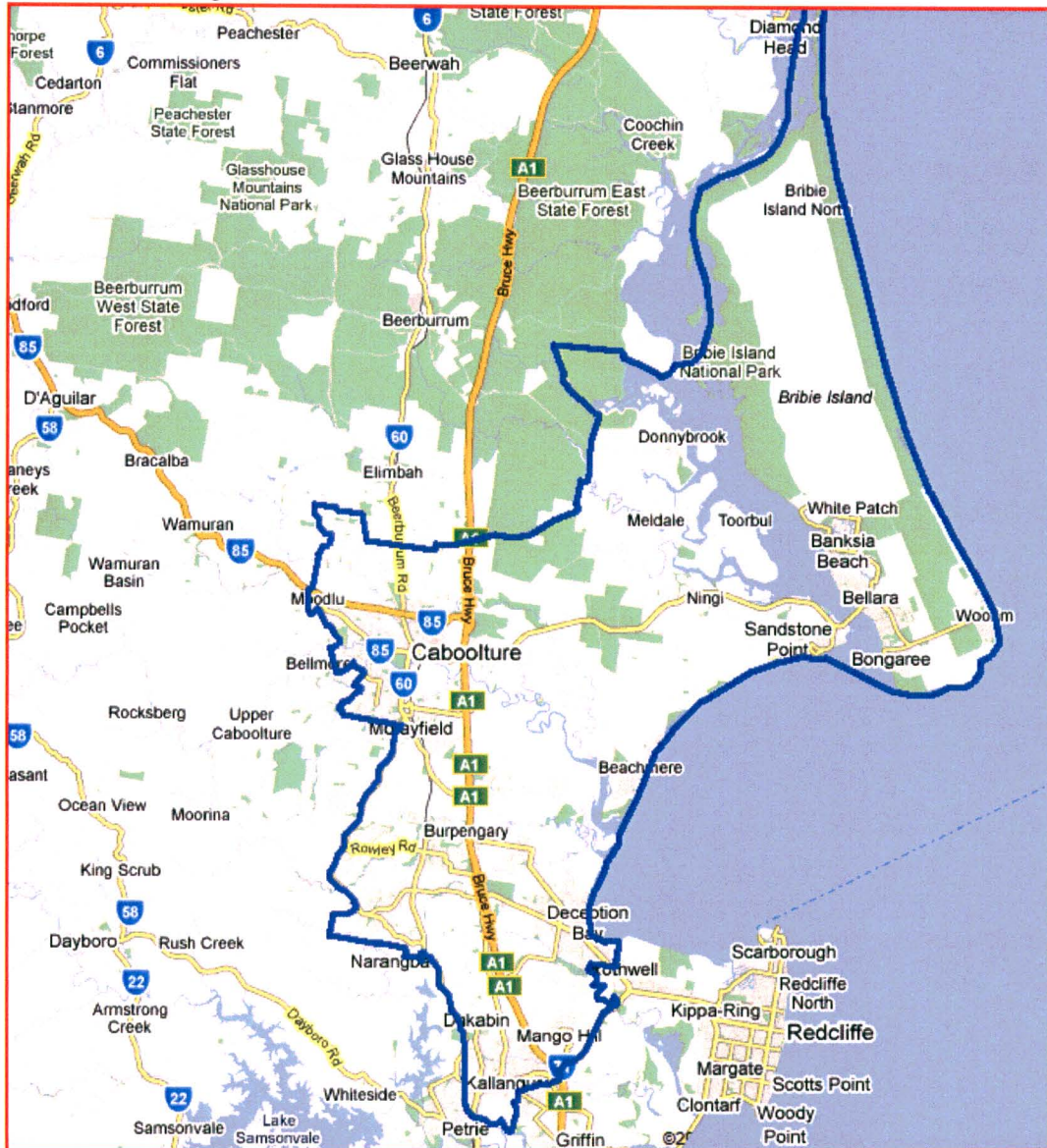
Remove (to Dickson):

- part of Caboolture Midwest SLA, including CCDs 3122204 and 3122221.
- part of Burpengary-Narangba SLA, being only one CCD: 3122209.

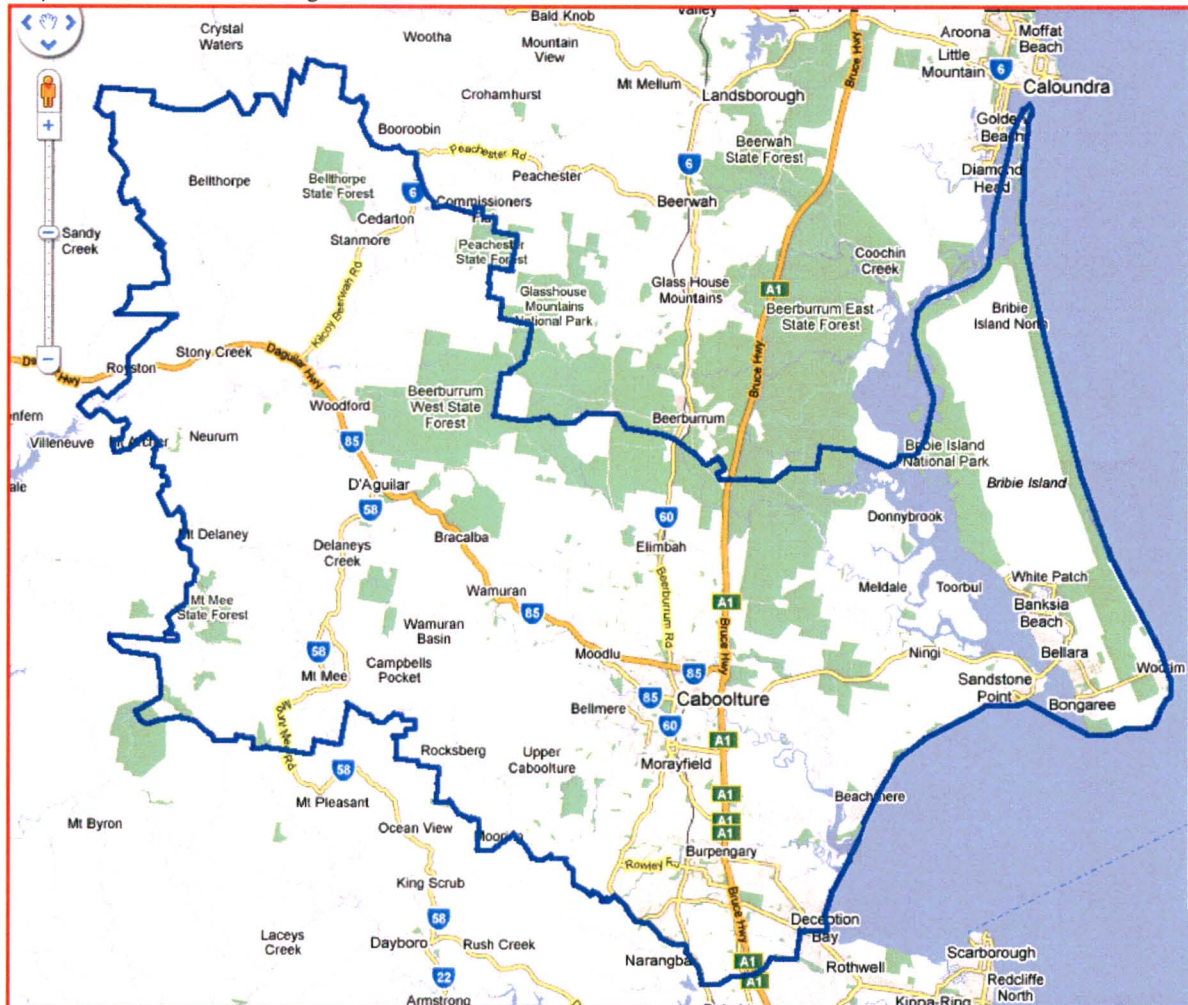
Add (from Fisher):

- remainder of Caboolture Central SLA, being only CCD: 3122111.
- all of Caboolture Hinterland SLA
- all of Caboolture Midwest SLA
- remainder of Morayfield SLA

Current boundaries of Longman:



Proposed boundaries for Longman:



The proposed Longman is 5.55% below the current quota and will be 2.95% under the projection date quota (within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Longman:

- ☑ Within quota limits
- ☑ Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)
- ☑ Much simpler boundaries – aligns better with LGA boundaries
- ☑ Improved set of community interests represented in division
- ☑ Mostly maintains area and means of travel and communication within division

The next division to be considered is Fisher, located immediately north of Longman.

All parts of Moreton Bay LGA are transferred from Fisher back into Longman, from which they originally came prior to the previous redistribution. Fisher then regains some areas it used to contain, includes parts of Buderim and the Maroochy hinterland.

Fisher

Remove (to Longman):

- remainder of Caboolture Central SLA, being only CCD: 3122111.
- all of Caboolture Hinterland SLA (apart from the CCD 3120106, which is actually part of Somerset LGA)
- all of Caboolture Midwest SLA
- remainder of Morayfield SLA

Remove (to Dickson):

- part of Caboolture Midwest SLA, being only one CCD: 3122203

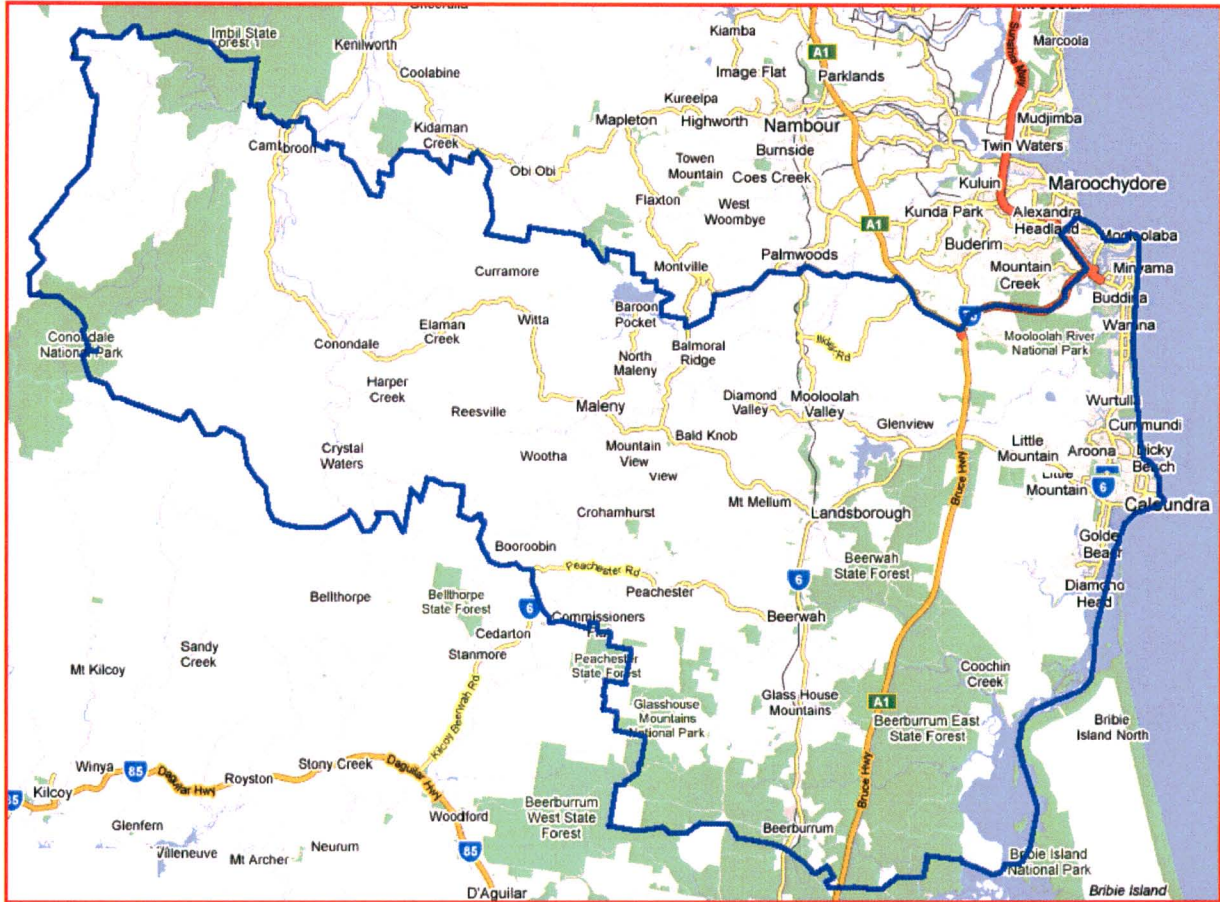
Remove (to New Division):

- all of Somerset – Kilcoy SLA.
- part of Caboolture Hinterland SLA, being the CCD 3120106, which is actually part of Somerset LGA.

Add (from Fairfax):

- part of Buderim SLA, being CCDs 3110901, 3110909, 3110915, 3110917, 3110918, 3110919, 3110920, 3110921, 3110922, 3110926, 3110927, 3110928 and 3110929.
- part of Maroochy Hinterland SLA, being CCDs 3112501, 3112504, 3112505, 3112506, 3112512, 3112515 and 3112518.
- part of Paynter-Petrie Creek SLA, being only one CCD:3112519
- part of Somerset (R) – Kilcoy SLA, being a part of the CCD 3110503 (the part that is the western half of the CCD – just cut it via the narrow part that goes through Imbil State Forest).

Proposed boundaries for Fisher:



The proposed Fisher is 9.26% below the current quota and will be 2.47% under the projection date quota (within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).



The next division to be considered is Fairfax.

It is proposed that Fairfax regain a small area it used to contain, around Lake Weyba.

Fairfax

Remove (to Fisher):

- part of Buderim SLA, being CCDs 3110901, 3110909, 3110915, 3110917, 3110918, 3110919, 3110920, 3110921, 3110922, 3110926, 3110927, 3110928 and 3110929.
- part of Maroochy Hinterland SLA, being CCDs 3112501, 3112504, 3112505, 3112506, 3112512, 3112515 and 3112518.
- part of Paynter-Petrie Creek SLA, being only one CCD:3112519
- part of Somerset (R) – Kilcoy SLA, being a part of the CCD 3110503 (the part that is the western half of the CCD – just cut it via the narrow part that goes through Imbil State Forest).

Add (from Wide Bay):

- remainder of Coolum-Mudjimba SLA.
- remainder of Maroochy Hinterland SLA
- part of Noosa Hinterland SLA, being CCDs 3112210 and 3112216.
- part of Noosa-Noosaville SLA, being only one CCD: 3112105.
- part of Sunshine-Peregian SLA, being CCDs 3110304, 3110305, 3110308, 3110311, 3110312, 3110313, 3110314, 3110316, 3110317, 3110318 and 3110319.

The proposed Fairfax is 3.08% below the current quota and will be 1.14% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Fairfax:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries**
- Mostly maintains existing community interests represented in division**
- Maintains existing area and means of travel and communication within division**

The last divisions to be considered are Hinkler Wide Bay. A simple transfer of surplus electors from Hinkler into Wide Bay will ensure that both divisions meet the quota requirements.

The areas transferred include Biggenden, Woocoo, and the area south of the Hervey Bay urban fringe.

Wide Bay

Remove (to Fairfax):

- remainder of Coolum-Mudjimba SLA.
- remainder of Maroochy Hinterland SLA
- part of Noosa Hinterland SLA, being CCDs 3112210 and 3112216.
- part of Noosa-Noosaville SLA, being only one CCD: 3112105.
- part of Sunshine-Peregian SLA, being CCDs 3110304, 3110305, 3110308, 3110311, 3110312, 3110313, 3110314, 3110316, 3110317, 3110318 and 3110319.

Add (from Hinkler):

- part of Fraser Coast (R) - Hervey Bay Pt A SLA, including CCDs 3100113, 3100114, 3100120, 3100121, 3100123, 3100128, 3100133, 3102101, 3102102, 3102108, and part of 3100213 (the southern half, below a straight line between Rasmussens Road and the end of Raward Road)
- all of North Burnett (R) – Biggenden SLA.
- all of Fraser Coast (R) - Woocoo-Tiaro SLA

The proposed Wide Bay is 3.10% above the current quota and will be 0.27% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Wide Bay:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries**
- Mostly maintains existing community interests represented in division**
- Mostly maintains existing area & means of travel and communication within division**

Hinkler

The general approach suggested by both the ALP and LNP is commended.

Remove (to Wide Bay):

- part of Fraser Coast (R) - Hervey Bay Pt A SLA, including CCDs 3100113, 3100114, 3100120, 3100121, 3100123, 3100128, 3100133, 3102101, 3102102, 3102108, and part of 3100213 (the southern half, below a straight line between Rasmussens Road and the end of Raward Road)
- all of North Burnett (R) – Biggenden SLA.
- all of Fraser Coast (R) - Woocoo-Tiaro SLA

Current boundaries of Hinkler:



Proposed boundaries for Hinkler:



The proposed Hinkler is 4.47% below the current quota and will be 1.66% under the projection date quota (well within the allowable statistical limits, and this also meets our more ambitious projection date targets of +/-3.00%).

Summary of proposed Hinkler:

- Within quota limits**
- Meets more ambitious projection date quota limits (+/-3.00%)**
- Simpler boundaries**
- Improves existing community interests represented in division**
- Improves means of travel and communication within division, reduces area.**

		<u>Current</u>	<u>Quota%</u>	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Quota%</u>	<u>Transfers</u>
1	Blair	79557	-9.94	98914	1.73	32174
2	Bonner	91110	3.13	94556	-2.75	0
3	Bowman	90474	2.41	99995	2.84	0
4	Brisbane	88248	-0.11	94464	-2.85	32143
5	Capricornia	90941	2.94	97021	-0.22	7430
6	Dawson	91184	3.22	99321	2.15	4680
7	Dickson	86582	-1.99	94378	-2.94	24870
8	Fadden	79808	-9.66	99855	2.70	16662
9	Fairfax	85626	-3.08	96126	-1.14	13464
10	Fisher	80166	-9.26	94832	-2.47	17748
11	Flynn	92263	4.44	98633	1.44	4016
12	Forde	79889	-9.57	98549	1.35	28718
13	Griffith	91619	3.71	96241	-1.02	0
14	Groom	91572	3.66	97182	-0.05	0
15	Herbert	89898	1.76	100109	2.96	2144
16	Hinkler	84390	-4.47	95620	-1.66	7539
17	Kennedy	93799	6.18	98767	1.58	5222
18	Leichhardt	89459	1.26	99801	2.64	6379
19	Lilley	91589	3.67	94417	-2.90	21755
20	Longman	83444	-5.55	94360	-2.95	24255
21	Maranoa	91800	3.91	95095	-2.20	0
22	McPherson	89949	1.82	98658	1.47	2524
23	Moncrieff	90767	2.74	98931	1.75	0
24	Moreton	92318	4.50	95906	-1.36	0
25	NEW	88601	0.29	96060	-1.21	0
26	Oxley	79904	-9.55	96902	-0.34	36008
27	Petrie	82239	-6.91	94501	-2.81	45768
28	Rankin	94377	6.83	100102	2.95	11738
29	Ryan	92083	4.23	94662	-2.64	36472
30	Wide Bay	91078	3.10	96967	-0.27	6604
						388,310

388,310 electors are equal to 14.65% of the current total number of electors in the State.