



# Comment on objections 85

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Further to my earlier submission I write to comment on the responses **Colac Otway Shire Objection 329 and G21 Geelong Regional Alliance - Objection 228**, to the AEC's proposed electoral boundaries relating to the proposed Seat of Cox.

### **G21 Geelong Regional Alliance - Objection 228**

The G21 Alliance is a collaborative alliance made up of five Councils - Golden Plains Shire, Colac Otway Shire, the Borough of Queenscliff, City of Greater Geelong and the Surf Coast Shire - and the G21 submission appears to advocate the position submitted by the Colac-Otway Shire in direct contradiction with two other Councils that form part of the alliance (which is the public position of the Queenscliff Borough and Golden Plains # objection 349, each supportive of the AEC draft boundaries in the new Division of Cox).

### **2. Colac Otway Shire Objection 329**

The Colac Otway Shire submission seems to rely heavily on its desire to remain in the seat, and draws strongly on public sentiment in Colac as evidenced by their attachment of the press clippings of the campaign run by the Colac Herald, Colac-Otway Shire Mayor and the current member for Corangamite. It mostly fails to address the reasoning set out in the redistribution proposal and certainly fails to identify why their alternative proposal is stronger according to the tests set down in the Electoral Act such as stronger communities of interest.