



Objection 299

Gowanbrae Residents Group - Petition

20 pages

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To: [FedRedistribution - VIC](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Objection to part of the proposed redistribution of Victoria into electoral divisions
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Good morning,

Please find attached our objection to the transfer of Gowanbrae from Wills electorate to Calwell electorate, as recommended in your "Proposed redistribution of Victoria into electoral divisions", April 2018.

Regards,

Rick Arden
Secretary



4 May 2018

Redistribution Committee
Australian Electoral Commission
PO Box 250
MOONEE PONDS VIC 3039
Via email to FedRedistribution-VIC@aec.gov.au

Dear Redistribution Committee,

I write to you, on behalf of the Gowanbrae Residents Group and residents of Gowanbrae, to object to the proposed changes to the boundaries of the Federal Electoral Division of Wills, as per the proposed redistribution report released on 6 April 2018.

The Gowanbrae Residents Group is a community group which coordinates activities in our local community of Gowanbrae, and advocates on behalf of residents to local, state and federal Governments on local issues that impact us.

We write to:

- Strongly support the Objection submitted to you by the Office of Peter Khalil MP, Federal Member for Wills
- Provide additional local input from our organisation, as below, in support of Gowanbrae remaining in the Wills electorate.

Our organisation strongly opposes the transfer of Gowanbrae from the electorate of Wills. The key reasons we believe that Gowanbrae should remain in Wills are:

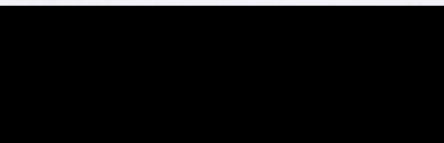
1. The fact that Gowanbrae is only accessible via Coventry Street is trivial in the scheme of things. People live where they live, work where they work, shop where they want to shop etc – irrespective of the access road used. Gowanbrae is not cut off from other localities in the proposed Division of Wills; in fact it has easy access via Mascoma St to Pascoe Vale Rd, the Tullamarine freeway to Bell St, Matthews Avenue to Keilor Rd, etc. The vast majority of our residents turn left out of Coventry St, to travel to the South, rather than turning right to the North. That is why we have had a long-standing green arrow arrangement at that intersection.
2. Since the inception of our suburb, we have resided in the Division of Wills. Our connection to the City of Moreland, and Wills communities of Glenroy, Oak Park and Pascoe Vale is very important to us. The new boundaries will split us from the rest of our Local Government area and these communities, with which we share a great deal.

3. We already have an excellent working relationship with Peter Khalil and his staff, who come to our events and help us with our problems. Removing us from his electorate will cut off this relationship. This will harm our ability to help advocate on behalf of all residents in Gowanbrae
4. The new electorate proposed for Gowanbrae, Calwell, does not reflect our abiding community of interest, socio-demographic makeup and natural local community grouping. Large freeways (M80 Ring Road and Tullamarine Freeway) constitute a natural boundary and separate us from Calwell and our proposed new Federal Representative.
5. We are concerned that the proposed move could logically lead to Gowanbrae being moved from Moreland to Hume Council areas. This would be quite a backwards step and would undo many years of close cooperation with Moreland Council on a wide variety of issues. We believe that Hume Council, which extends to Sunbury and Craigieburn, would have little interest in Gowanbrae. Indeed some years ago, Gowanbrae was moved from Hume Council to Moreland Council.
6. After thorough, in-depth consultation with hundreds of residents, we know that the vast majority strongly support our position, i.e. for Gowanbrae to remain in Wills. As a result of this consultation, I enclose with this submission:
 - a petition signed by 251 residents (2 separate attachments)
 - the results of a Facebook poll that we conducted in the last week, wherein 98% of 204 votes were to stay in Wills, 2% were to transfer to Calwell (see below)
 - the results of our Facebook post which received 120 likes and no dislikes (see below)

To summarise, we believe that the transfer of Gowanbrae from Wills is not what our community wants or needs. For that reason, we urge the committee to reconsider our potential exclusion, and accept the will of the people to stay in Wills.

Thank you for considering our objections.


Regards,



Rick Arden

Secretary

Gowanbrae Residents Group Inc.





Gowanbrae Residents Group created a poll.

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Published by Shanaka Perera [?] · 26 April at 13:47 · 🌐

Hi everyone - to make it easier for us to understand your position on the Australian Electoral Commission's proposal to move us to the Federal Seat of Calwell from Wills, please fill in the following poll!

What is your position on the Australian Electoral Commission's move to move Gowanbrae from the seat of Wills to Calwell? For more information see the post below this one!

98% Stay in Wills ☑

2% Move to Calwell

Undo Vote

204 Votes

👤 1,136 people reached

📌 Boost Unavailable



Gowanbrae Residents Group

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Published by Ron Dorre [?] · 26 April at 10:34 · 🌐

You can comment or Like this to be added to the Petition.

Gowanbrae is in the Federal Electorate of Wills and our Federal Member of Parliament is Peter Khalil. We have an excellent working relationship with Peter who has supported us most recently in maintaining the Essendon Airport overnight curfew.

The Australian Electoral Commission is proposing to change the electorate borders so that Gowanbrae will be part of the Federal Electorate of Calwell which primarily includes Broadmeadows and districts. The Gowanbrae Residents Group strongly objects to this move because:

1. GRG has a productive and positive relationship with our existing Federal MP; one that has taken many years to cultivate.
2. There is a risk that if we move to Calwell, a future realignment of Council boundaries could see us move to Hume council, which would sever our long-standing relationship with Moreland Council and could cause our property prices to decline since we would no longer be part of an inner-city Council.
3. We do not support this move by the AEC.

We urge you to support us by signing a petition located at the Lucky 7 shop and at the Retirement Village reception before Monday.

Or comment below with "Stay in Wills" or just like this page.

Thank You so far we have over 100 signatures, we are showing how strong the Gowanbrae Community is.

👤 1,029 people reached

📌 Boost Post

👍 Like

💬 Comment

➦ Share



👤 Susan Soccio, Russell Reichstein and 120 others

Most relevant ▾

2 shares

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which proposes moving the locality of Gowanbrae from its long standing Federal Electorate of Wills and into the Division of Calwell for the reasons outlined in the submission from the Gowanbrae Residents Group Inc,

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D. Majcen		
Sarah Ferreira		
J. Houston		
M. Gray		
R. Fitzgerald		
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A. Dunne		
Andrew Raczynski		
Susan Falla		
Davin Falla		
Barbara Woodhouse		
MARGARET WIGNEAL		
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MARGA RET BOURKE		
ERIKATREHARNE		
Rene Jogyi		
George + Julie Howard		
SOAN & DEWEN SLIC		
ROY FREEMAN		
WAYNE KEX		
Jamy GERLAGH		
JAN AIRS		
GRAEME McTAGGART		
LORNA McLEOD		
WALTER McLEOD		
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Marlene Powell		
Barbara Ebeyer		
FATIMA FEIX		
Margaret Bromley		
DAISY CONDYKIS		
E. EBAYER		
Igmacy Wierzbicki		
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GLENDA HRADSK		
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R MONKS		
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E BOUCHIER		
A GRAHAM		
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Ryan Sawille		
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Len TRASKOV		
Pino Bordini		
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TERESA TALEWSKI	[Redacted]	[Redacted]
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SILVANA PARISI		
Levi Cara		
Natasha Agapito		
ASHLEY CLIMNICK		
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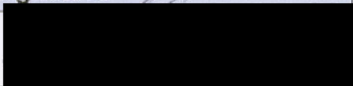
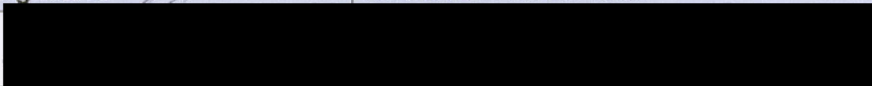
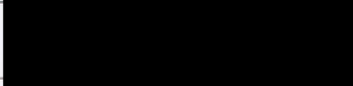
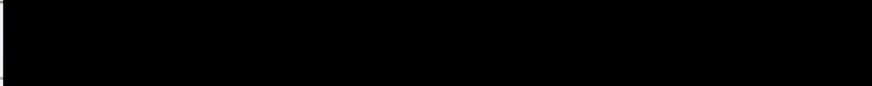
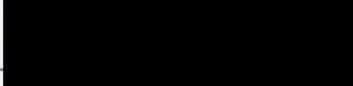
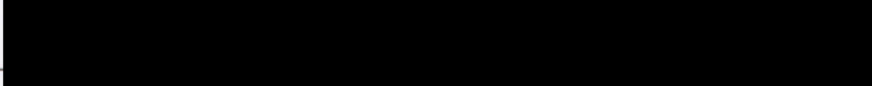
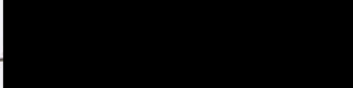
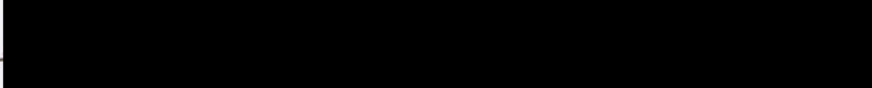
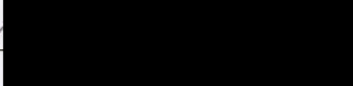
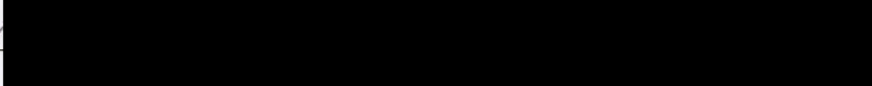
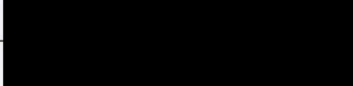
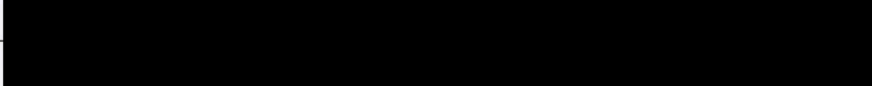
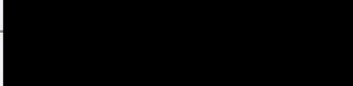
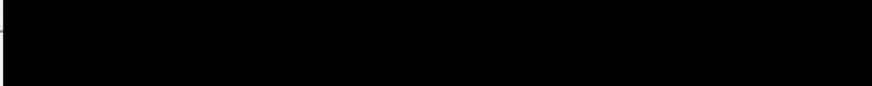
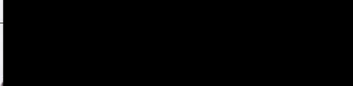
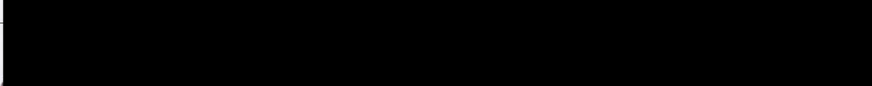
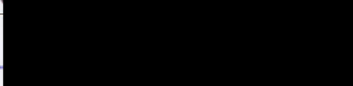
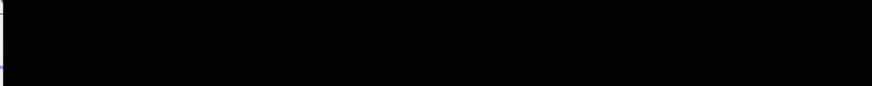



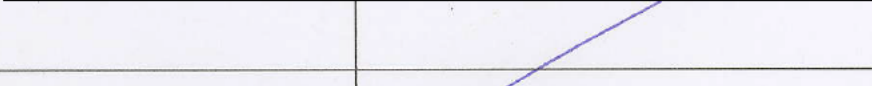









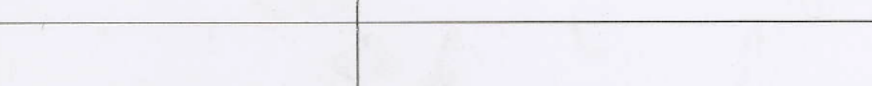
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Nathan - Kane		
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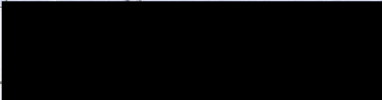
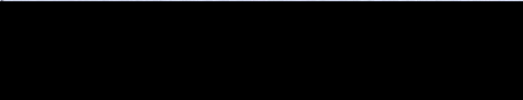
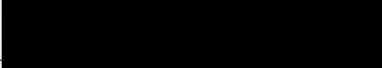
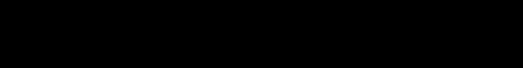
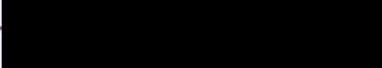
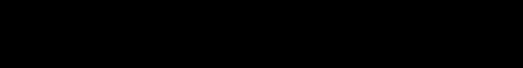
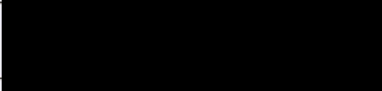
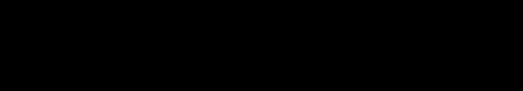
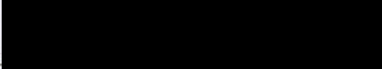
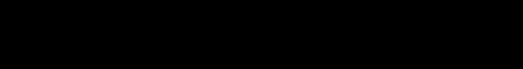
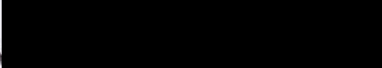
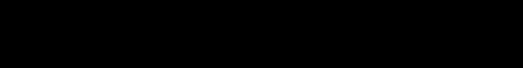
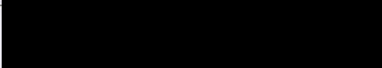
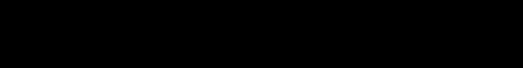
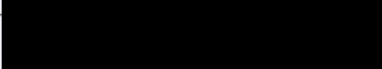
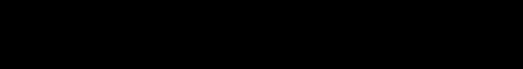
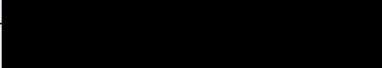
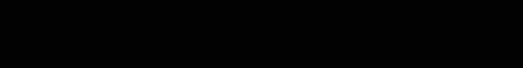
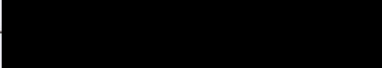
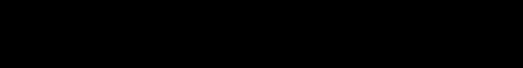
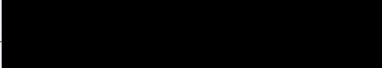
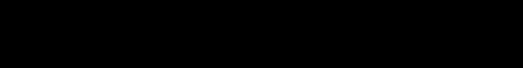
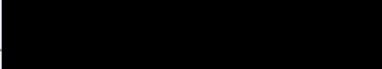
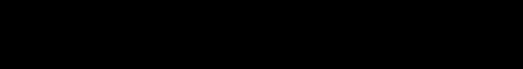
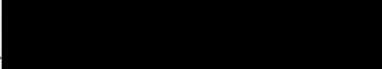
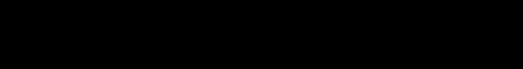
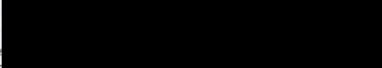
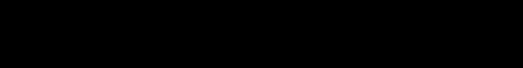
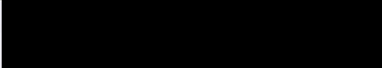
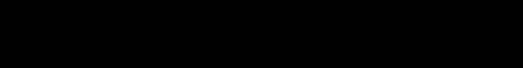
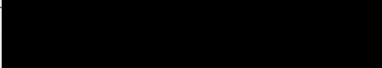
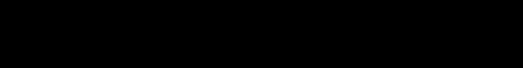
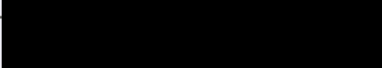
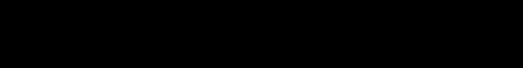
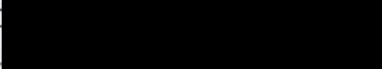
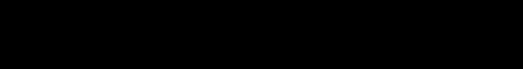
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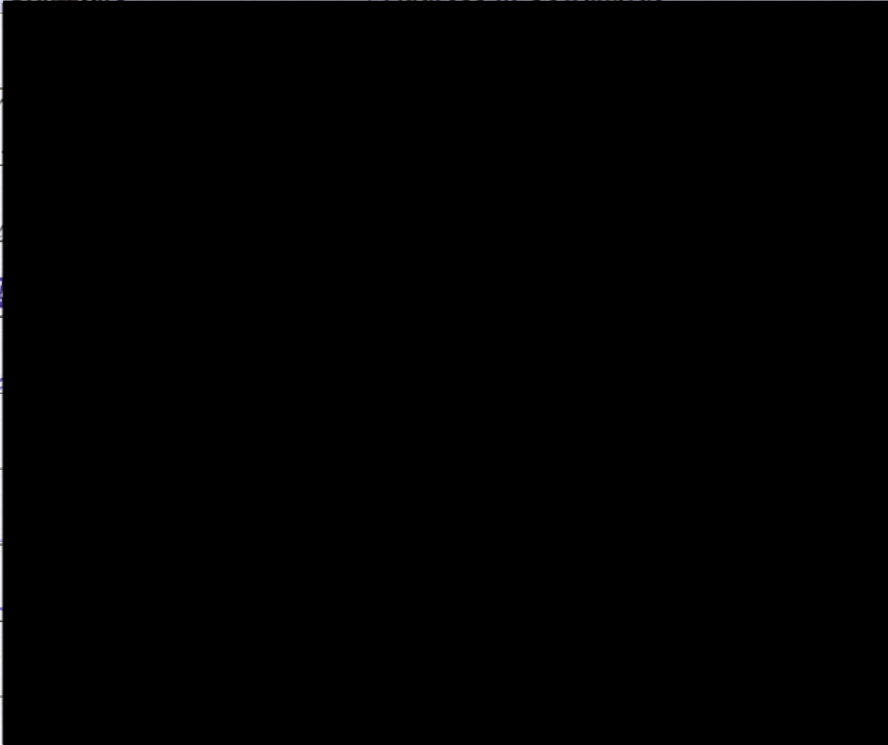
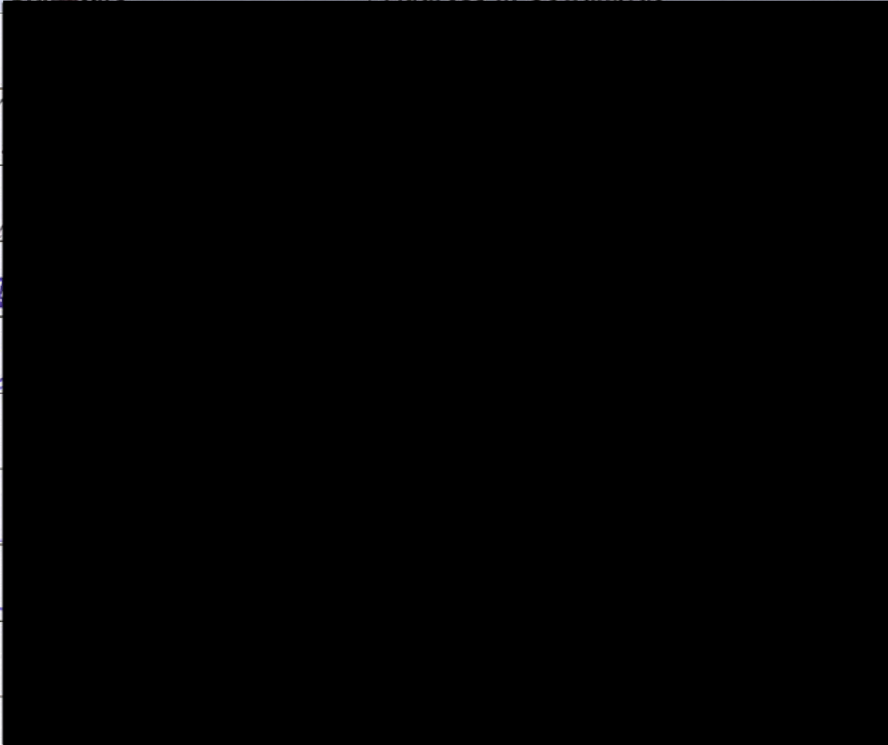
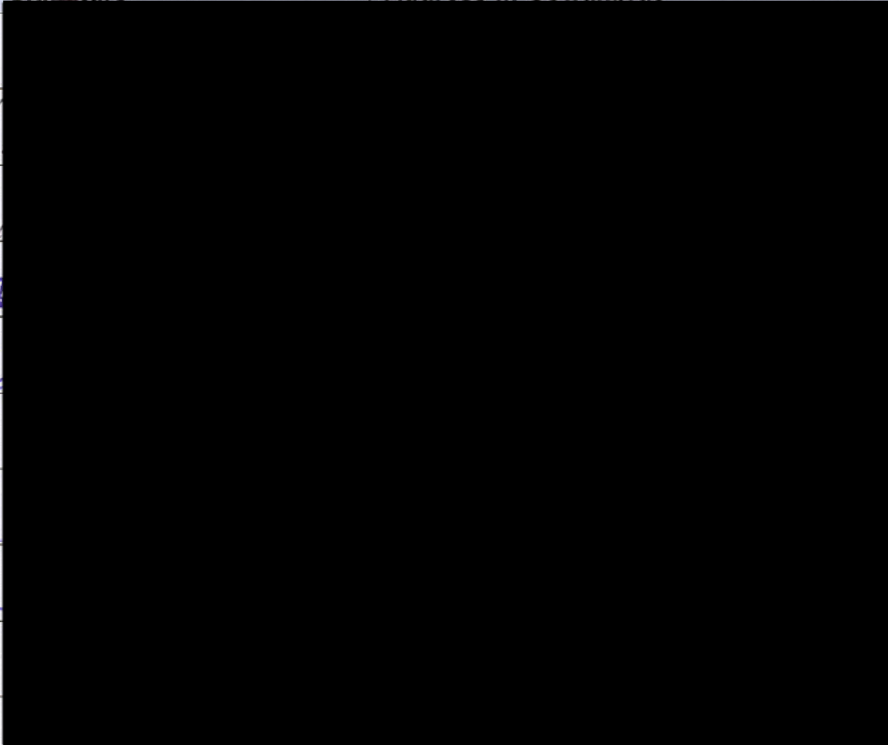
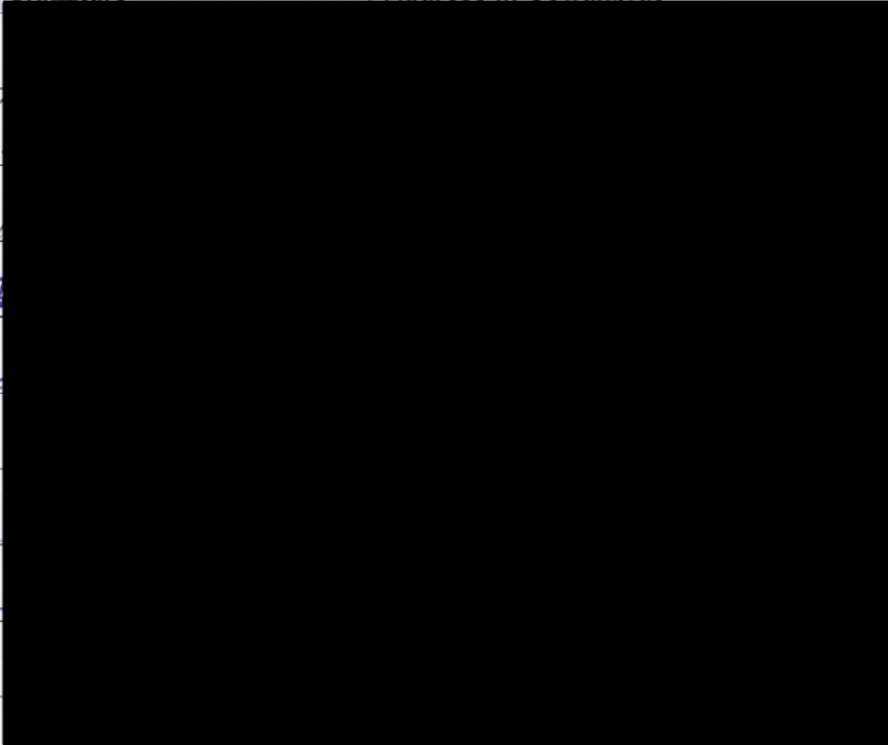
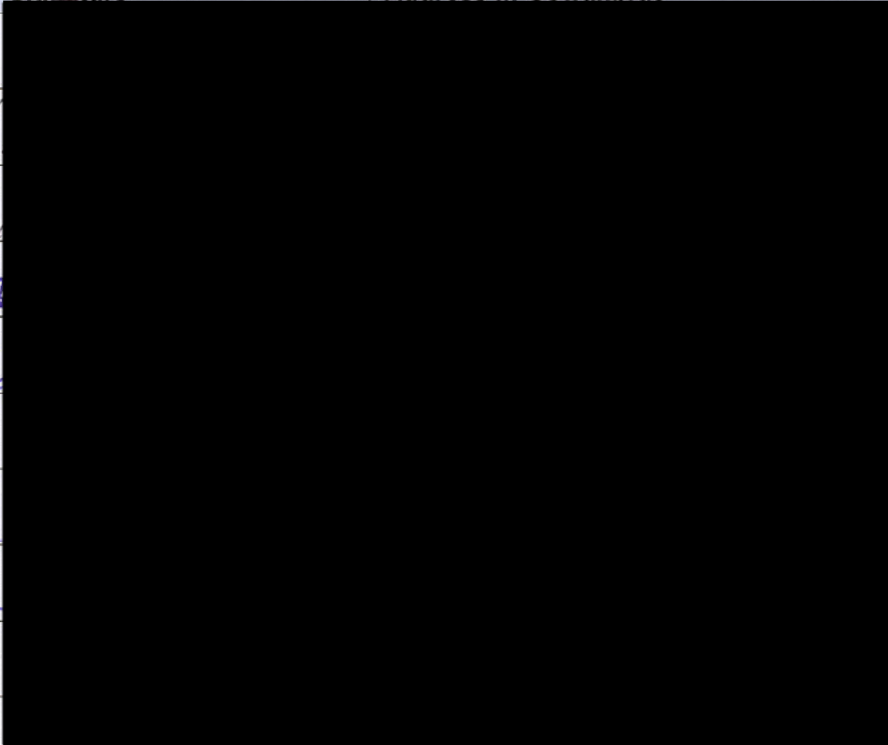
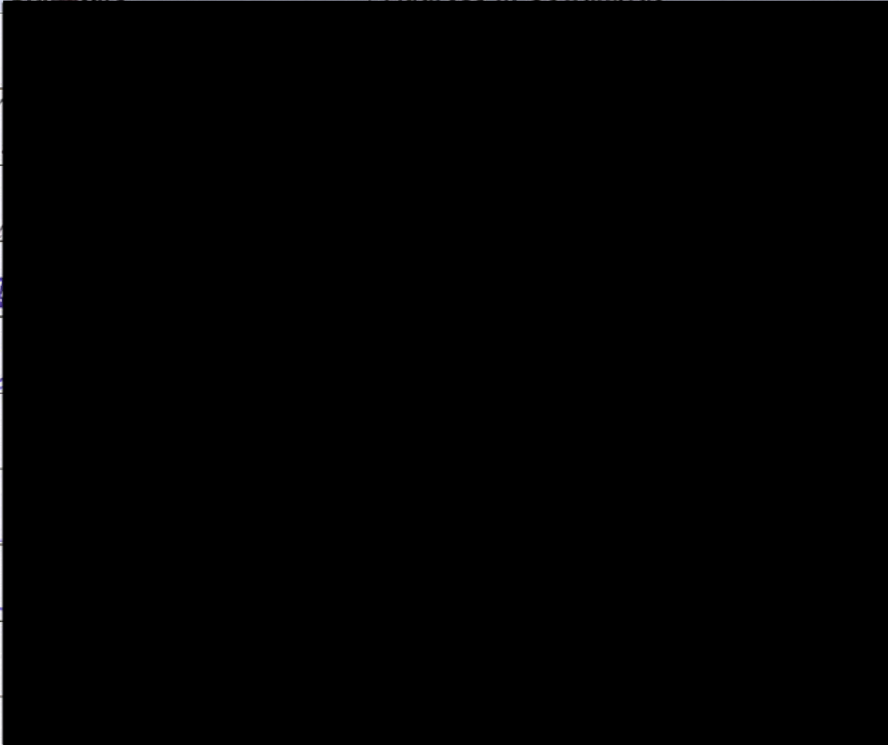
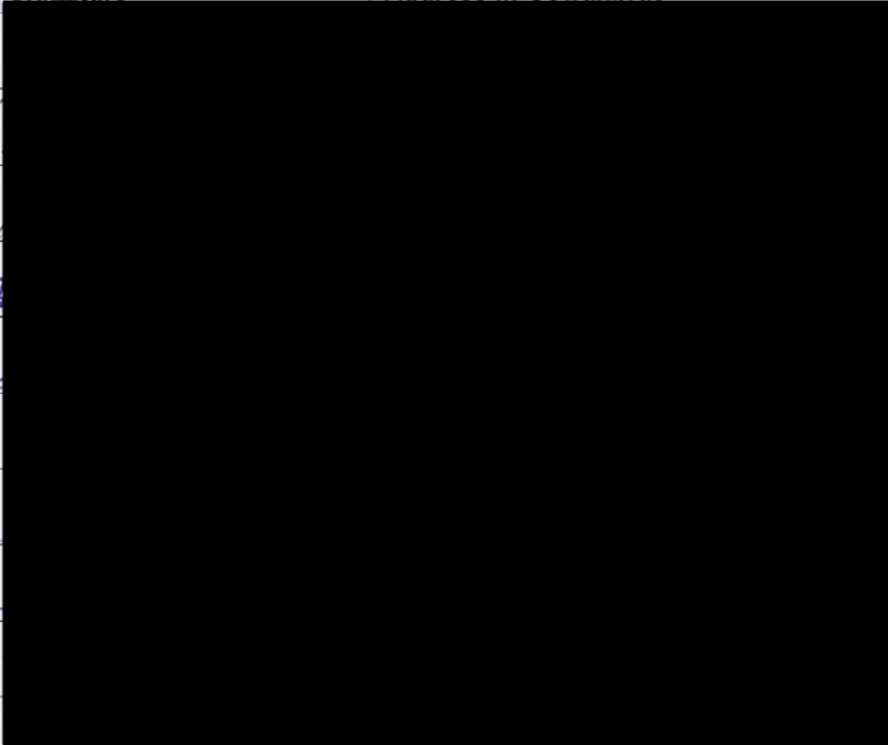
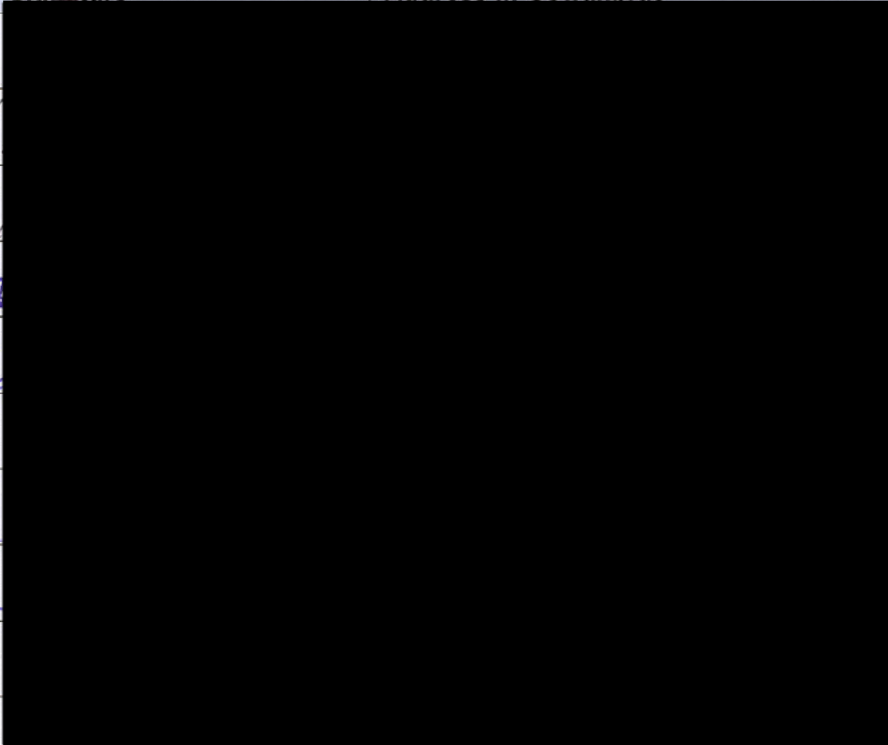
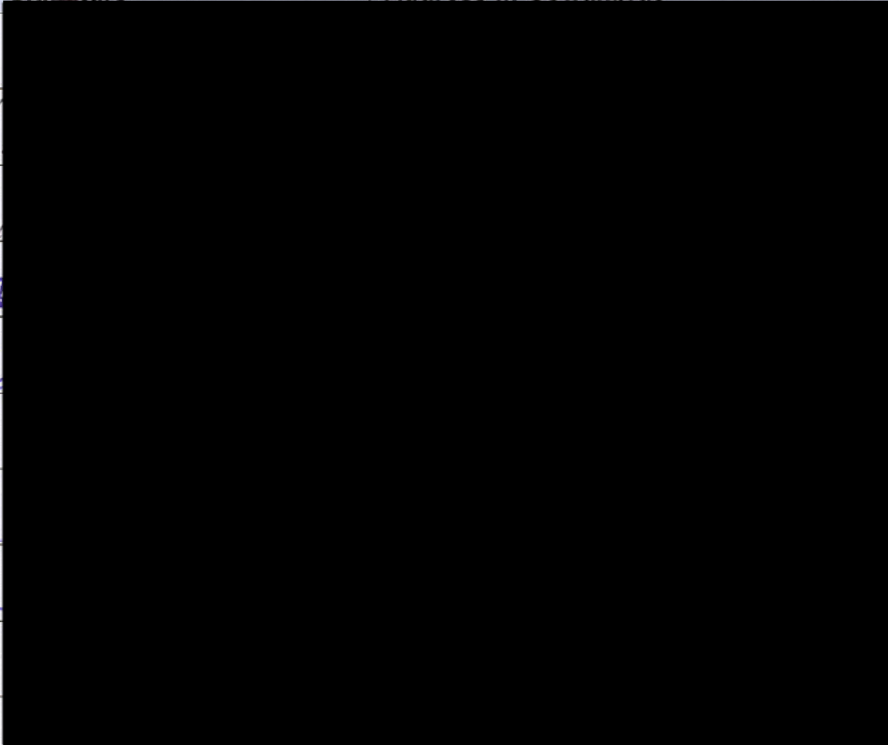
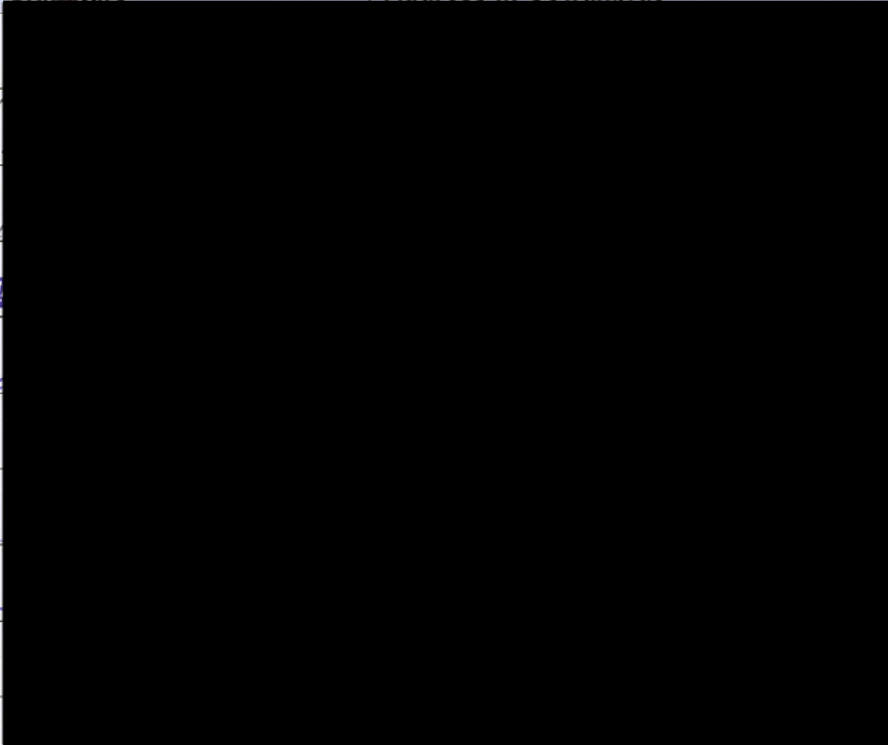
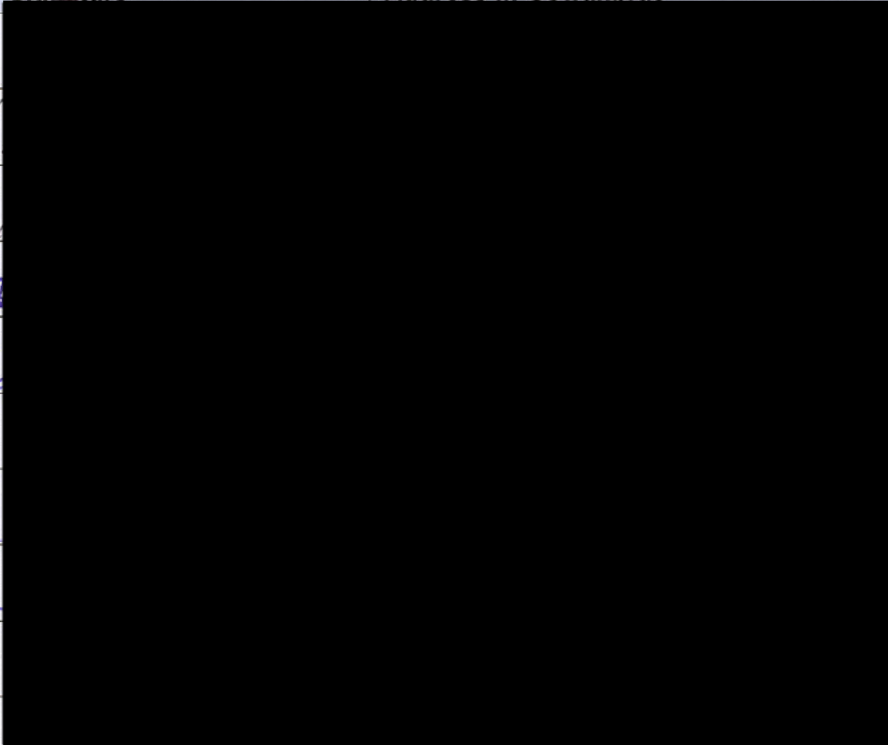
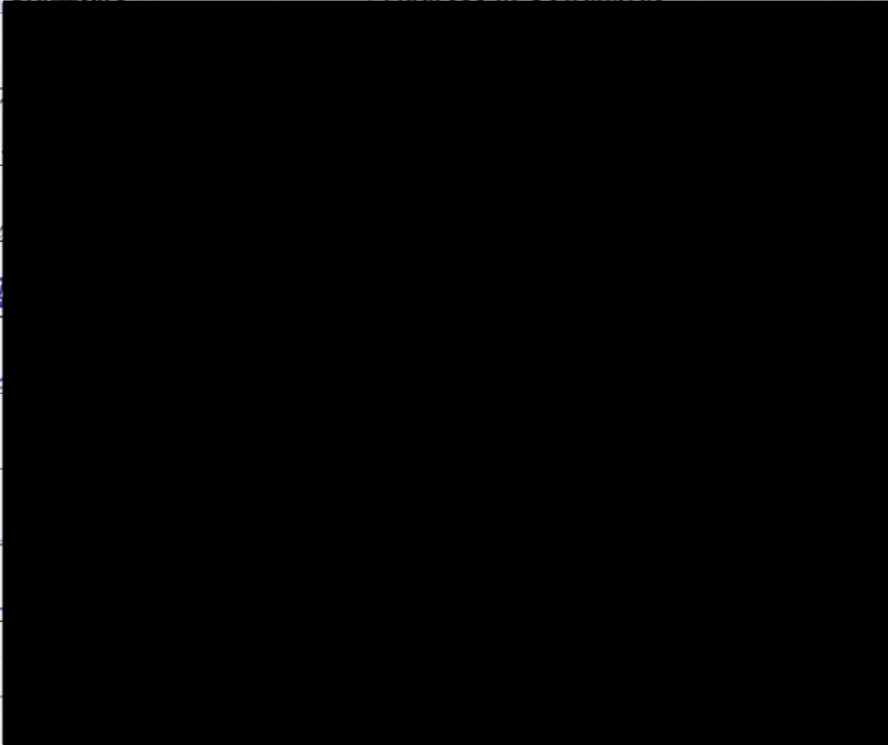
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