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Davie, Tara - Redistribution TAS - My idea on the proposed Tasmanian redistribution

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Idea details

Idea: Boundaries
Details: I am writing to formally object to the proposed redistribution of the Division of Lyons by the Australian Electoral Commission. Having lived in and observed this electorate over time, I have seen firsthand how rural communities are already overlooked; particularly in Ouse, where access to reliable healthcare remains limited and residents often face long travel times to access consistent GP services, emergency care, and specialist appointments. These are not minor inconveniences; they directly affect safety, wellbeing, and quality of life. Lyons is geographically vast and largely rural, yet it already struggles to secure equitable funding and sustained political attention compared to more densely populated areas. Fragmenting or reshaping this electorate risks further diluting the rural voice and reducing accountability for ongoing service gaps. Any redistribution that reduces the rural voices of Lyons risks further weakening advocacy for towns like Ouse and shifting focus toward urban priorities. I strongly urge the Commission to reconsider changes that could dilute rural representation and to ensure that communities with shared needs remain intact within a single, clearly accountable electorate.