



The Federal Redistribution 2009
QUEENSLAND



**Comment Number 13
on Objections**

The Hon John Mickel MP

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Objection to the Proposed Redistribution of Queensland

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Dear Commissioners,

I would like to lodge a comment on the objections raised on the proposed redistribution of Queensland. I would like to provide a detailed comment about the changes to the Forde, Wright and Bowman boundaries suggested in submissions S32 (Michael O'Dwyer, State Director LNP) and SS2 (Anthony Chisholm, State Secretary ALP Qld).

1. I note the recommendation in the LNP objection to move Carbrook from the proposed Forde back to the electorate of Bowman.
2. I support the recommendation in the ALP objection to move Boronia Heights from the proposed Wright to the proposed Forde.
3. These comments expand on these two objections in detail and propose a viable solution.
4. The AEC proposals would make Forde a predominantly urban electorate, while Wright would become a predominantly rural electorate.
5. Boronia Heights is a residential outer suburb of Brisbane and not a community of interest with the centres of the proposed Wright – Beaudesert, Boonah, Gatton and Laidley.
6. I therefore recommend that Boronia Heights – comprised of parts of the Greenbank-Boronia Heights SLA and Browns Plains SLA – be located in the electorate of Forde.
7. I in turn propose that semi rural areas in Jimboomba, Logan Village and Tamborine move from the proposed Forde to the proposed Wright, where they have closer semi-rural communities of interest.
8. These alterations would mean that Jimboomba and its town centre are no longer split in two, leaving this community in one electorate. In the current proposal, Jimboomba State School, the central business district and some inner residences are in the proposed Wright while Emmaus College and the bulk of inner residences are in the proposed Forde.
9. My suggested modified eastern Forde boundary would be defined by the interstate rail line, Stoney Camp Road and the Mount Lindesay Highway.
10. Logan Village is split in my suggested modifications, but keeps the full town centre in the electorate of Forde and utilises the natural border of the Logan River.
11. In my suggestion, Forde would remain a seat split only between Logan City Council and Gold Coast City Council and would no longer have areas in the State Seat of Beaudesert.

12. Forde will be further altered by my suggestions but would contain closer communities of interest.

13. Outcomes including both objections are within numerical tolerances and approximately as follows (allowing for slight variations due to split CCD's on the Mount Lindesay Highway).

	Actual Enrolment 19.02.09	Project Enrolment 09.07.12
Proposed electorate of Bowman	89 614 (1.44%)	99 061 (+1.88%)
Proposed electorate of Forde	80 574 (-8.79%)	99 028 (+1.85%)
Proposed electorate of Wright	80 640 (-8.72%)	94 145 (-3.17%)
From Proposed Bowman to Proposed Forde* Carbrook-Cornubia (part; CCD's 3250802, 3250807)	860	934
From Proposed Wright to Proposed Forde Greenbank-Boronia Heights (part**) Browns Plains (part; CCD's 3252101,3252106)	4 963 988	5 273 1 034
From Proposed Forde to Proposed Wright Jimboomba-Logan Village (part***)	5 096	6 636
Revised electorate of Bowman	90 474 (2.41%)	99 995 (2.84%)
Revised electorate of Forde	80 569 (-8.80%)	97 765 (0.55%)
Revised electorate of Wright	79 785 (-9.69%)	94 474 (-2.84%)

* If objection 532 is followed by the commission – if this objection is not followed, outcomes remain within numerical tolerances.

** CCD's 3252302,3252303,3252304,3252305,3252306,3252307,3252308,3252309,
3252310,3252311

*** CCD's 3151314,3151416,3151701,3151702,3151703,3151704,3151707,3151709,3151710,31517
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Thankyou for your consideration.


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