



The Federal Redistribution 2010
Victoria



**Comment Number 4
on Public Suggestions**

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The Secretary, Redistribution Committee of Victoria,
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Dear Sir,

COMMENTS RELATING TO VARIOUS SUBMISSIONS MADE TO THE REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE OF VICTORIA RELATING TO 2010 VICTORIAN FEDERAL ELECTORAL REDISTRIBUTION.

Introduction

As we live in the City of Greater Shepparton within the Electorate of Murray, generally our comments only relate to this Electorate.

Comments

We strongly agree with the statement within the submission made by Craig R. Rickards, Divisional Office Manager, Australian Electoral Commission, quote "consideration be given to factors such as Community of Interest, means of communication and travel, physical features and the existing boundaries of Divisions in the State or Territory". "In addition consideration must also be given where ever possible in ensuring that whole Local Government Areas (LGA's) and by extension localities are wholly contained within the external boundaries of electoral divisions."

The Australian Labor Party in their submission Introduction have made a similar statement.

The Nationals also in their 3rd paragraph state, "This redistributionshould be capable of being executed with minimum disruption to current boundaries".

The Australian Greens Victoria submission is more confusing than the others, particularly relating to the Electorate of Murray where they are suggesting splitting L.G.A.'s.

The Introductory Preamble and Methodology of The Liberal Party Submission reads well but when one gets to the detail as for the Murray Electorate, what they suggest is contrary to their introduction.

Conclusion

We believe the proposal of Mr. Craig Rickards is the most acceptable, (the Labor Party submission relating to Murray is similar) and that of the Nationals is very close to it. In fact the Nationals submission for all regional areas appears to be well thought out. We strongly condemn the proposal for Murray as suggested by the Liberal Party.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

Yours faithfully,



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