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Beeac Progress Association Inc.

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## ***BEEAC PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.***

**President:**  
Wendy Parker

**Secretary:**  
Jenny Lang

**Secretary Email:**

30th April 2018

Redistribution Secretary for Victoria

Australian Electoral Commission

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Beeac Progress Association I would like to protest against the proposed electoral redistribution boundaries in relation to Beeac and surrounds. We believe it is important that Beeac and the Colac Otway Shire remain in the Corangamite (Cox) Electorate for the following reasons:

The natural barrier of Lake Corangamite forms the western boundary of the Colac Otway Shire. Historically the population in this area has gravitated south east. This is why we believe that Beeac should remain in the Electorate of Cox.

As we are located one hour travel by car from Geelong and twenty minutes by car from Colac, these major centres provide social, retail, sporting, medical and education facilities for our community.

Our closest tourist, holiday and recreation destinations are to the south east of Colac. These coastal areas are an important part of our community life.

We feel that having our local shire council divided into two electorates would be detrimental to our interests which we believe lie in the Barwon region, not to the west in Warnambool.

Our sphere of influence as rate payers and voting citizens will be significantly reduced as the Colac Otway Shire and Corangamite (Cox ) Electorate is where most of us work, conduct our business and pursue our recreational activities.

We would like you to reconsider the decision on the altered boundaries as we feel we would be severely disadvantaged by the current proposal.

Yours sincerely,  
Jenny Lang  
Hon. Secretary  
Beeac Progress Association