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From: Norm Franke
Sent: Tuesday, 8 May 2018 8:39 AM
To: FedRedistribution - SA
Subject: Don't let a creek cut our community in half!

Dear Australian Electoral Commission,

I am writing because I agree with the arguments that Flagstaff Hill is more aligned with suburbs to the north, such as Marion and Blackwood, rather than southern suburbs, such as Morphett Vale and Noarlunga. Therefore, I think the suburbs of Flagstaff Hill, Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley should remain in the federal electorate of Boothby.

In our area we share much more community, retail and transport infrastructure with the rest of Boothby than we do with residents in the federal electorate of Kingston. We use Happy Valley Drive, Flagstaff Road, Marion Road and South Road to get to the city, or shopping precincts at Westfield Marion. We use Main Road through Blackwood to get to the city as well. We commute to train stations in Boothby that service the Seaford, Tonsley and Belair Lines.

Most residents in our area will use Flinders Medical Centre and Flinders University located at Bedford Park in the heart of Boothby at some point in their lives (my family has). These community issues of interest, travel, economic and social factors should be given much more weight by the Electoral Commission when deciding future boundaries than environmental features like the Sturt River.

With the Onkaparinga Council based so far away in Noarlunga, we want to retain access to our locally based Federal Member of Parliament in Boothby, rather than a Federal MP in Morphett Vale.

I would not consider a Federal Member at Morphett Vale to represent the issues that are important to me, living in Flagstaff Hill.

I object to the Commission's draft boundaries that will see our area moved out of Boothby, in many cases, for the first time in over 20 years.

Yours sincerely, Norm Franke