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The Monash freeway should be the southern boundary for the division of Chisholm. The Monash freeway acts as very strong boundary between the communities on both sides of the freeway who both have little in common with the other. Thus, I object to the draft boundaries for Chisholm/Hotham. The southern boundaries for Chisholm should be along the Monash Freeway and Wellington Road to the Dandenong Creek. If and only if the numbers do not permit for this, a boundary along the Monash Freeway and Police Road to the Dandenong Creek would be an acceptable alternative. This allows for the inclusion of more of Glen Waverley and Mount Waverley as well as the introduction of Wheelers Hill and the Waverley Park/Gladeswood area of Mulgrave east of the Monash Freeway into the division as they neatly align with the areas already present in Chisholm. The southern boundary should not cross the Monash Freeway.

In addition, there needs to be some discussion regarding the Chisholm/Menzies/Deakin boundaries. Many would object to splitting the central shopping areas of Box Hill and Blackburn into 3 different divisions. Thus, I suggest that Menzies and Deakin should be reconfigured into north-south orientated divisions as opposed to east-west orientated divisions. The reconfigured Menzies should incorporate Doncaster, Doncaster East, Bulleen, Templestowe Lower and parts of Templestowe with the entirety of Box Hill and Blackburn and potentially western parts of the current Deakin above Canterbury Road, such as parts of Nunawading, to achieve the maximum community interest. The southern boundary for this new division of Menzies would be Canterbury Road as it reflects as strong boundary. The reconfigured Deakin should incorporate Warrandyte, North Warrandyte, Wonga Park, Park Orchards, Donvale, Vermont, Ringwood, Mitcham, and Croydon as they all have a shared community of interest. The Mullum Mullum Creek can be set as the boundary between Menzies and Deakin. The northern boundary for Chisholm can be set as Canterbury Road and Springvale Road. Vermont South can either be in Deakin or Chisholm but to balance the numbers better, it should be transferred to Chisholm.

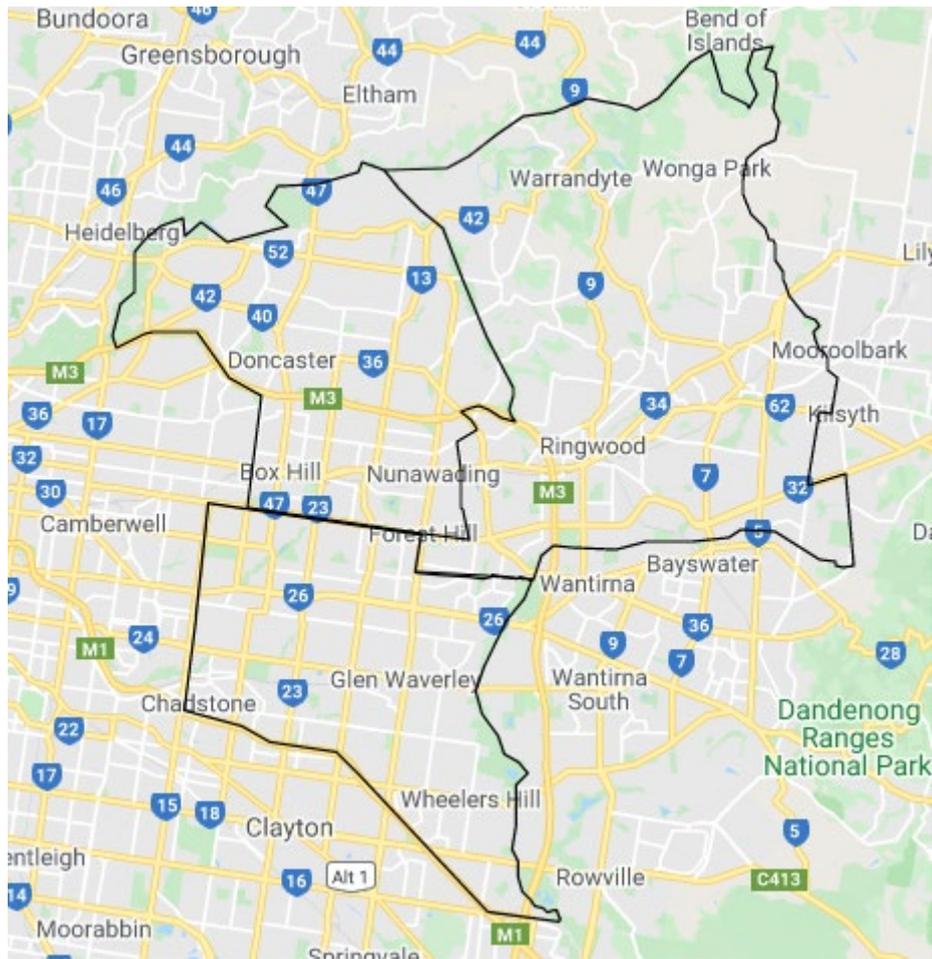


Figure: Rough sketch of my suggested boundaries for Chisholm/Menzies/Deakin (apologies for this extremely rough, unrefined, and rushed sketch)