

The Federal Redistribution 2003 QUEENSLAND

Comment Number Thirteen on Public Objections

Taroom Shire Council

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YOUR REF:

Ref A2/12 DBC 2 October 2003

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Dear Ms Bright

Re: Electoral Redistribution - Electorates of Capricornia and Maranoa

With reference to the proposed redistribution, Council is concerned with the proposed change of electorate from Maranoa to Capricornia for the southern section of Duaringa Shire.

This area has a strong affinity with towns and businesses within the Maranoa Electorate. Many of the residents in the Bauhinia area carry out regular dealings, buying and selling at the saleyards located at Roma, Taroom, Wandoan and Dalby The Fitzroy Development road from Bauhinia to Taroom is the main conduit for the transport of these cattle. Traditionally many of these residents also conduct much of their other business dealing in the towns located to the south or south east.

Council submits that the relatively small number of electors in this are have a strong community interest with the towns to the south and would be better served by remaining within the Maranoa Electorate.

Yours faithfully,

Denis Carr,

Chief Executive Officer.

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