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Dear Sir

OBJECTION TO ABOLITION OF FEDERAL SEAT OF GWYDIR

The Mudgee Branch of The Nationals take this opportunity to formally object to the abolition of "Gwydir" as part of the current re distribution proposals for federal electorate boundaries.

Branch members believe that non-metropolitan New South Wales is already under represented in the Federal Parliament, and the abolition of a seat will further exacerbate this situation.

"Gwydir" is already a massive electorate, and has already been enlarged so as to stretch from Rylstone in the south, north to the Queensland border and west beyond Bourke.

Your proposal to have the member for Parkes represent 47 % of the land area of New South Wales is ludicrous. It is not humanly possible to serve such a large electorate when it contains so many major population centres.



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The branch supports the submission that's been lodged by the Gwydir Electorate Councils of The Nationals and so does not intend to re-iterate that proposal here.

Suffice to say that the Mudgee branch of The Nationals sincerely and fervently requests that you do not proceed with your proposals regarding Gwydir and Parkes federal electorates.

Thank you for taking the time to receive and consider this submission.

Yours faithfully

Denis Yeo

Secretary