



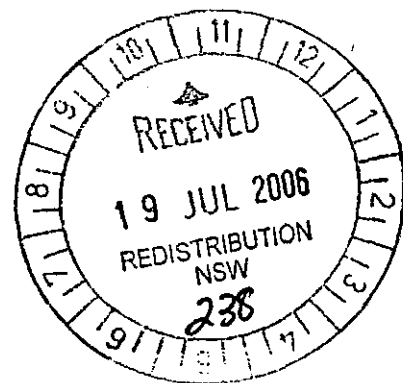
The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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**Redistribution Committee for NSW
Australian Electoral Commission(NSW)
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Dear Sir,

I wish to put forward my objection to the proposed boundaries for the Electorate of Parkes.

- 1. Firstly, the town of Parkes, (which has a community of interest with Dubbo), has been removed from the Electorate of Parkes which makes the name of the Electorate pretty confusing (even though I am aware it is named after Sir Henry Parkes!!) If you must abolish one or the other, it would be better to retain Gwydir. (Dubbo used to be in the seat of Gwydir anyway)**
- 2. I know the name of the game is "one vote, one value" but no single person, especially a Government Minister, has a hope in hell of representing an electorate 5 times the size of Tasmania with hundreds of towns & villages.!!**
- 3. Most major roads, railways & airlines fly East to West in NSW. To have places like Gunnedah & Moree in an electorate based on Dubbo, being the major city, is ludicrous. (At least there is a plane to Broken Hill which will no longer be in the Electorate.)**
- 4. I used to live 150 kms. North of Bourke & Dubbo is the place electors go to the dentist, accountants, specialists etc. so putting the towns of Bourke, Brewarrina & Walgett back into the Electorate is sensible. It would be more easily serviced by taking in Mudgee & Wellington as well but the northern towns in the old Gwydir have no community of interest with Dubbo at all.**
- 5. I understand the estimated growth rates provided by the Australian Electoral Commission do NOT predict either Parkes or Gwydir to have the lowest rates of growth.**

6. Putting Broken Hill into a Riverina electorate has been sensible – Broken Hill has a greater community of interest with the southern part of NSW & with South Australia.

7. It would be far better to have 2 longer & “skinnier” electorates heading east/west than to put all the “leftovers” into one huge Chunk.

8. Whoever represents an electorate of over 380000 square kilometres will have to represent about 19 local government areas!!! Do you understand how many schools, hospitals, police stations, roads & government programs etc he must find funds for?

9. I am aware that you have an awful job to do but I am appealing to you to devise boundaries that will not deny isolated country & western regional people reasonable access to their elected representative and deny them one less vote in the Parliament – regardless of political persuasion. We don't want to live in “The Chunk” (which it is already being called!!)

Thank you for taking the time to consider this submission

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Jakins". The signature is written in black ink and includes a horizontal line underneath the name.

Mrs Judy Jakins
12th July, 2006