

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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Dear Sir

It is with profound dismay that I learnt of your committee's proposal to abolish the large NSW Federal seat of Gwyder by amalgamating with the already large Federal seat of Parkes. As I understand it, this new mega seat will cover 47% of the land mass known as New South Wales which will make it virtually impossible for the elected member to service due to the sheer size of his/her electorate let alone branch structure to have any input to National/Labour Electorate Council due to the huge distances for delegates to travel to a central location. This I know from being a delegate to the National Party's Gwyder Electorate Council and travelling to places such as Mudgee, Coonamble, Gunnedah, Narrabri, and Warialda.

Please would your committee have another look at this proposal as hundreds of voters will not be represented at all well. It will also be impossible for the Elected Member to be a member of Cabinet or Caucus.

What makes this proposal harder to understand is the fact the proposed electorate will be five times the size of Tasmania which I believe have five seats in the Federal Government.

Hoping you will have another look at this proposal in the interests of the Electors and the Elected Member.

Yours faithfully

Max Fairall