

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES

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Dear Sir,

I wish to lodge the strongest objection to the boundary changes to the Gwydir & Parkes. Rural N.S.W. has very little representation as it stands. Provincial areas have suffered greatly to the advantage of the City dwellers in many ways such as traveling cost, lack of facilities, education, health, communications, entertainment & the list goes on. The multi nationals have drained us of money as they take the dollars we scratch out of our heavily burdened communities & transfer that wealth to the bulk of their shareholders who reside in the cities. The balance both financial & electoral is very much in favor of the cities. The cities have always received priority from the bulk of the politicians by shear weight of numbers as they tend the bulk of the voters. The cities have the loudest voice by a country mile & yet you want to silence our voice even more.

By your proposed boundary changes we are loosing what little voice we have in parliament. Not to mention the redistribution will create an electorate five times the size of Tasmania. How many seats does Tasmania have? How come the electorate of Murray Darling was reduced in size? Is the voice of the people in Murray Darling any more important than Gwydir & Parkes? Why is it more important to get more representation from Murray Darling & less from Gwydir & Parkes. I feel the people of Gwydir & Parkes are being discriminated against & having their basic right to be heard taken away. We in rural areas need as much help as we can get just to survive let alone thrive as they do in the cities.

Please give this you most serious consideration before penalizing country N.S.W. even further.

Yours Faithfully

J.W.Perks 20/7/06