



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO
THE "SECRETARY"

"Lynden" MSF 2286,
Moree. NSW. 2400
15th July, 2006.

Redistribution Committee of NSW,
PO Box 20014,
World Square. NSW. 2002.



Dear Sirs,

Re: Proposed federal electoral redistribution in New South Wales.

On behalf of the Bullarah Branch of the Country Womens Association of New South Wales I want to lodge a very strong objection to the proposed federal electoral redistribution in NSW which will result in the abolition of the seat of Gwydir for the following reasons:

1. The proposed seat of Parkes is far too large for an elected member to realistically and adequately serve his constituents. It will be almost impossible for him to "keep his finger on the pulse" of what is happening in his electorate and to be available to his constituents as he will be spending the majority of his time travelling.
2. Because of the size of the proposed electorate, constituents will find it very difficult to access their member.
3. To create one huge electorate from 2 already big country electorates equating to 47% of the State will reduce the "say" that the bush has. If one NSW seat had to go why was it not one of the Sydney seats which was the preferred option of the major political parties.
4. People in country NSW feel as if they are being discriminated against yet again by this proposal.
5. The name for the proposed electorate is totally unrepresentative of the area where we live; any changes to boundaries should keep the name Gwydir.

In conclusion, this proposal will result in a lack of proper political representation for people living in the mega sized electorate of Parkes.

Yours faithfully,

S.M. Sirl

Mrs S.M. Sirl. Hon Secretary Bullarah CWA.