



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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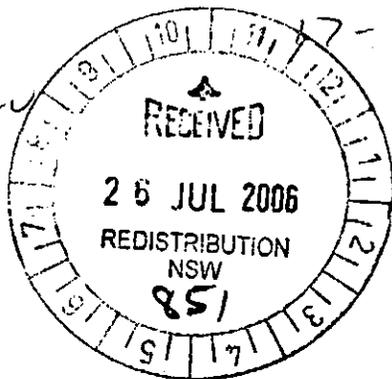
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Redistribution Committee for NSW
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Dear Sir

We object to the electoral boundary changes proposed for the division of Calare in the NSW Federal Electoral Redistribution 2006.

We understand that NSW must lose a federal electorate to QLD due to population trends & that the NSW electoral boundaries must be redrawn.

However we believe that the committee has delivered a flawed Sydney-centric proposal resulting in a country seat being abolished which leaves significant negative impacts on the remaining six country NSW electorates.

Our objections are

- (1) The abolition of the seat of Gywyder
- (2) The transfer of Lidgen, Oberon & the majority of Saddleback to the Blue Mountain seat of Macquarie
- (3) The increased geographic size of the proposed Calare & other country NSW electorates

As far as we are concerned we will be much worse off if this proposal goes through as the Mountains will not

support the central west & will fall toward
the city at a very detrimental cost to
the current Calare electorate.

It would be extremely difficult for the
local member to provide the appropriate
level of service to constituents in the
proposed seat.

In conclusion we strongly urge
the committee to withdraw its decision
to abolish the country NSW ~~and~~ seat of Gwydir
& maintain the existing electoral boundaries
of the seat of Calare in recognition of the
fact its projected voter population is
comfortably within the range required for
this redistribution.

Yours sincerely
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