

## The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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Dear Sir/Madam,

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The Lower Namoi Cotton Growers Association (LNCGA) represents over 150 irrigated and dry land cotton growers in the region from Narrabri to Burren Junction. We wish to abstain most strongly to the abolition of the seat of **GWYDIR** in the proposed redistribution of Federal Electoral boundaries in New South Wales.

It is absolutely ridiculous to propose that one person could adequately serve the needs to an electorate that covers one-third of the area of New South Wales.

We feel that the former area known as <u>GWYDIR</u> would be greatly disadvantaged under this proposal. The Gwydir Electorate contains some of the most productive country in NSW and the towns in the area are experiencing a surge in growth and economy. In a situation such as this we need, more than ever, the close attention of a local member to keep this momentum going.

We beseech you to reconsider this proposal, and maintain the electorate of **GWYDIR** in its present form.

Yours Sincerely,

Ben Stephens

**LNCGA President**