

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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Dear Madam/Sir,

Re: electoral boundaries

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I don't believe the federal electorate of Calare requires the boundaries re aligned. If the areas population has altered, we are spread a little thinner this does not require changes. This area is well represented by Peter Andren. Although our population may have changed the issues and the environment have not and these require an in depth knowledge and commitment all of which has taken time to acquire, not by reading about it or just by living in the area.

The issues that Peter Andren is working on -fair deal with irrigation allowances is one of many that I can readily think of - requires on going negotiations, a development of trust with all parties. These do not occur just by "catching up on the matter by reading about it".

I believe that the re distribution could easily occur within the Greater Sydney area, where two adjoining areas could be amalgamated, causing much less disruption. This would give a member a larger number of constituents, although probably not adding a lot to the actual area they would cover.

Disruption of a country electorate I believe would cause a lot more upheaval. From my 3 months in Orange, I have observed all levels of politicians have a much bigger input into community life in country areas, than I have observed in my 10 years in Ipswich west of Brisbane.

Also I do not want to loose Peter Andren as my member of Federal Parliament; I believe he speaks for the majority of us in this electorate.

Yours truly,

Robyn Murphy

CC Peter Andren