



The Federal Redistribution 2006
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Objection Number 68

Eidsvold Shire Council

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Redistribution Committee for Queensland
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Dear Sir/Madam

***Proposal for Queensland Federal Electoral Redistribution
Proposed new Division "Wright"***

I refer to the recently advertised proposal for Queensland's federal electoral redistribution and the formation for a new federal electoral division of Wright in Central Queensland.

The Eidsvold Shire Council is presently in the division of Hinkler. Your proposal is to change the boundaries so that this shire is in the new division of Wright, which puts us in an area from Gladstone to Longreach.

Eidsvold Shire Council strongly objects to this proposal based on the following reasons:

- Community of interest for this shire and the North Burnett Region is with Bundaberg, which is our closest regional city, not Gladstone or Longreach.
- The majority of medical transfers from the Eidsvold hospital are by air to the Bundaberg Hospitals.
- State Government departments and their district officers are located in Bundaberg, eg. Emergency Services, Main Roads, Natural Resources, Mines and Water, State Development and Innovation, SunWater.
- Eidsvold Shire Council is a Member of the Bundaberg Region Tourism and we encourage tourists to travel in a circuit to and from Bundaberg.

On behalf of the residents, ratepayers and landholders of this shire, Council asks that you reconsider your proposal to make the Eidsvold Shire Council part of the federal division of Wright, and that we remain in the division of Hinkler as it presently exists with Bundaberg as our main city.

Yours faithfully

Peter Anderson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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