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Australian Electoral Commission
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Dear Commissioners

On behalf of the Queensland Branch of the ALP, I attach our suggestions for the Commissioner's consideration as they prepare their proposal for Divisional boundaries for Queensland.

I also refer to the maps prepared on the MapInfo system. These maps are to be included as part of our submission.

Yours sincerely

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Redistribution of Federal Divisions in Queensland
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Introduction

The electors of Queensland have seen radical change in the Federal Divisions over recent years, gaining a Division and consequent full redistribution in six of the last seven Parliaments. This is a difficult process of near constant change from election to election, but important in fairly representing the weight of Queensland voters relative to other States.

The ALP has kept in mind when preparing this submission the need for Divisions to be kept within tolerances of quota, connecting communities of interest and keeping change to seats as minimal as possible. In short we have attempted to scrupulously follow the same approach that is suggested as a guide by the Commissioners.

Gold Coast, Hinterland and Border Regions

Seats of McPherson, Moncrieff, Fadden, Forde (and Theodore)

Theodore (new seat)

The continued high population growth in the Gold Coast-Brisbane corridor, particularly in the seats of Fadden and Forde, makes this region the most logical place for a new federal seat.

A new seat (proposed name – Theodore) is proposed to cover the Gold Coast hinterland regions taking in the major rural centres of Beaudesert, Boonah, Gatton and Laidley. That is, both Scenic Rim and Lockyer Council areas would be placed whole in the new seat. This will provide a strong rural community of interest across the Queensland border region and Fassifern and Lockyer valleys, while taking pressure off the Gold Coast seats that are limited by border and coastal boundaries.

High population growth in Fadden cannot be contained in the neighbouring seats of Moncrieff or Forde and therefore the new growth areas of Upper Coomera must move into the new seat, otherwise the existing seats would soon breach quota provisions.

The area of Theodore from the old Division of Blair includes all of the newly amalgamated Lockyer Valley Regional Council (LVRC) formed from Gatton and Laidley Shires and Division 10 the rural division in the Ipswich City Council

(ICC) and the new Scenic Rim Regional Council (SRC) formed from Boonah Shire in the Fassifern Valley and Mt Tamborine and the rest of the old Beaudesert Shire, the first in Blair and rest in Forde. These are rural communities and small towns and have in common the farming of dairy and beef cattle and horticulture. Farming groups are strong in these communities. The area's show societies are all closely aligned.

All these areas are part of the same Local Regional Development Australia committee for the purpose of federal regional funding. Rural Fire Brigades and SES groups are important links in these areas.

THEODORE AS SUGGESTED NAME FOR NEW DIVISION

It is proposed that the new seat be named after former Queensland Premier and Deputy Prime Minister EG Theodore.

Edward Granville 'EG' Theodore was founder of the Amalgamated Workers' Association 1907 (later amalgamated with Australian Workers Union of which he became Queensland President). MLA Qld 1909-25; Deputy Parliamentary Leader of ALP (Qld) 1912; Deputy Premier and Treasurer 1915-19; Qld Premier 1919-25. Unsuccessfully ran for Herbert 1925; MHR for Dalley 1927-31; Treasurer and Deputy Prime Minister 1929-30; 1931-32. Director, Allied Works Council 1941-45. (For a detailed account of Theodore's career please see from the [Australian Dictionary of Biography: http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A120217b.htm](http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A120217b.htm))

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. McPHERSON</u>	92 473	101 376
<u>Less</u> Guanaba-Springbrook SLA	-694	-726
To Theodore		
<u>Less</u> Carrara-Merrimac SLA To Moncrieff	-2 345	-2 686
<u>TOTAL</u>	89 434	97 964
<u>2. MONCRIEFF</u>	90 767	98 931
<u>Less</u> Guanaba-Springbrook; Nerang SLA's	-12 552	-14 709
To Theodore		
<u>Plus</u> Carrara-Merrimac SLA Ex McPherson	+2 345	+2 686
<u>Plus</u> Southport SLA Ex Fadden	+207	+214
<u>Plus</u> part Biggera Waters-Labrador SLA (suburb of Labrador) CCD's 3161501-11,14-15; 3161601-13; 3161707-10,18, 3161701	+9 738	+9 866
Ex Fadden		
<u>TOTAL</u>	90 505	96 988

3. FADDEN	96 470	125 476
<u>Less</u> Southport SLA	-207	-214
To Moncrieff		
<u>Less</u> part Biggera Waters-Labrador SLA (suburb of Labrador) CCD's 3161501-11,14-15; 3161601-13; 3161707-10,18, 3161701	-9 738	-9 866
To Moncrieff		
<u>Less</u> Guanaba-Springbrook; Kingsholme-Upper Coomera; Nerang SLA's To Theodore	-12 920	-22 651
<u>Less</u> part Oxenford-Maudsland SLA (south of Kopps Rd) CCD's 3160414,21-22 To Theodore	-1 286	-1 724
<u>Plus</u> Ormeau-Yatala SLA Ex Forde	+4 792	+5 298
<u>Plus</u> Wolffdene-Bahrs Scrub SLA	+3 187	+4 284
Ex Forde		
TOTAL	80 298	100 603

4. THEODORE	NEW SEAT	
<u>Plus</u> Guanaba-Springbrook SLA	+694	+726
Ex McPherson		
<u>Plus</u> Guanaba-Springbrook; Nerang SLA's	+12 552	+14 709
Ex Moncrieff		
<u>Plus</u> Guanaba-Springbrook; Kingsholme-Upper Coomera; Nerang SLA's Ex Fadden	+12 920	+22 651
<u>Plus</u> part Oxenford-Maudsland SLA (south of Kopps Rd) CCD's 3160414,21-22 Ex Fadden	+1 286	+1 724
<u>Plus</u> Beaudesert; Guanaba-Springbrook ; Tamboorine-Canungra SLA's Ex Forde	+17 175	+19 434
<u>Plus</u> Boonah; Gatton; Ipswich South West; Ipswich West; Ipswich West; Laidley SLA's Ex Blair	+35 308	+40 129
TOTAL	79 935	99 373

5. FORDE	89 421	105 524
<u>Less</u> Beaudesert; Guanaba-Springbrook ; Tamboorine-Canungra SLA's To Theodore	-17 175	-19 434
<u>Less</u> Ormeau-Yatala SLA To Fadden	-4 792	-5 298
<u>Less</u> Wolffdene-Bahrs Scrub SLA To Fadden	-3 187	-4 284
<u>Plus</u> Carbrook-Cornubia SLA Ex Bowman	+860	+934

Plus Carbrook-Cornubia; Greenbank-Boronia Hgts;	+9 906	+10 907
Loganholme; Loganlea; Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA's	Ex Rankin	
Plus part Browns Plains SLA (west of Beaudesert Rd)	+5 565	+5 816
CCD's 3252101-12	Ex Rankin	
TOTAL	80 598	94 165

Southern Brisbane Region

Seats of Rankin, Moreton, Griffith, Bonner and Bowman

Rankin/Forde

The growth in the Gold Coast corridor and the placement of the new seat of Theodore allows for the southern boundary of Forde to be the same as the southern boundary of the new Logan City Council. In turn this movement pushes Forde north into Rankin. Logically Rankin should take in the Stretton-Karawatha SLAs and Parkinson-Drewvale from Moreton and that part of Parkinson-Drewvale in the seat of Oxley. (All these SLAs have been previously in Rankin but were taken out as recently as the 2003 and 2006 redistributions). This unites Parkinson-Drewvale in the one seat. The Logan Motorway and Compton Road clearly link these areas to the rest of Rankin with Compton Road acting as a clear northern border of Calamvale and a connection to nearby Woodridge in the existing Rankin.

Moreton

The boundary between Oxley and Moreton can be better placed along community of interest by including Algester and Acacia Ridge with Moreton. This will ensure Moreton maintains sufficient numbers to meet quota. It is clear that the lightly populated industrial areas of Willawong and Pallara separate these suburbs from the rest of Oxley.

Acacia Ridge's main transport route is north via Beaudesert Road, connecting the suburb to other suburbs of Moreton. Comparatively few residents of Acacia Ridge would have a community of interest with Inala with Oxley Creek forming a logical boundary of the Oxley and Moreton divisions. The suggestion is that this logical boundary be extended to Learoyd Road, following the road before turning South to follow the rail line along the western boundary of Algester.

Algester's main road is Algester Road and directly feeds into Beaudesert Road again linking the residents of Algester to the rest of the seat of Moreton. The rail line to Algester's west effectively cuts off Algester from the rest of Oxley. There is a much stronger connection with this suburb to other suburbs in Moreton.

Bonner and Bowman

Bonner needs to gain some vote and would be best served by gaining a small parcel of votes from Bowman in the SLA of Thorneside. This is a difficult

decision forced by the numbers needed for quota. It should be noted that Thorneside does have a community of interest with the neighbouring bayside suburbs of Lota, Manly and Wynnum. These bayside suburbs also share the same rail line, with the Bonner electoral office located only seven minutes away by train. The Bowman electoral office located in Cleveland is actually slightly further away by train connection.

Griffith

Griffith is on quota and is expected to remain so, therefore there is no need to change its boundaries.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. BOWMAN</u>	90 474	99 995
<u>Less</u> Carbrook-Cornubia SLA To Forde	-860	-934
<u>Less</u> Thorneside SLA To Bonner	-2 449	-2 497
<u>TOTAL</u>	87 165	96 564
<u>2. BONNER</u>	91 110	94 556
<u>Plus</u> Thorneside SLA Ex Bowman	+2 449	+2 497
<u>TOTAL</u>	93 559	97 053
<u>3. GRIFFITH</u>	91 619	96 241
<u>TOTAL</u>	91 619	96 241
<u>4. MORETON</u>	89 171	92 656
<u>Less</u> Calamvale; Parkinson-Drewvale; Stretton-Karawatha SLA's To Rankin	-9 645	-10 409
<u>Plus</u> Acacia Ridge; Algester; Calamvale SLA's Ex Oxley	+11 538	+12 563
<u>TOTAL</u>	91 064	94 810
<u>5. RANKIN</u>	90 101	95 105
<u>Less</u> Carbrook-Cornubia; Greenbank-Boronia Hgts; Loganholme; Loganlea; Park Ridge-Logan Reserve SLA's	-9 906	-10 907

To Forde

Less part Browns Plains SLA (west of Beaudesert Rd)	-5 565	-5 816
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CCD's 3252101-12 **To Forde**

Plus Calamvale; Parkinson-Drewvale;	+9 645	+10 409
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Stretton-Karawatha SLA's **Ex Moreton**

Plus Parkinson-Drewvale Ex Oxley	+5 945	+6 534
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TOTAL	90 220	95 325
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Northern Brisbane Region

Seats of Ryan, Brisbane, Dickson, Lilley and Petrie

Ryan

The consequence of the ALP proposal that Ryan shed its south of the Brisbane River component (see Oxley) is that it then needs to gain around 20,000 electors.

Community of interest is best served by taking Ryan into both Ferny Hills and Ferny Grove and at the same time transferring from Dickson its south western suburbs into Ryan. The latter suburbs connect via the Mount Nebo Road to The Gap or else via Mt Glorious Road to Samford Rd to Ferny Hills and Ferny Grove.

The connection between the existing north west boundary of Ryan and the adjacent suburbs of Upper Kedron, Ferny Grove and the Hills district is one that has been recognised by the Australian Electoral Commission in many redistributions in the past.

These suburbs were part of Ryan at the Federal elections in 1984 and in 1987 and in 1990.

The ALP submission in fact enhances the linkage of these areas by making Settlement Road the boundary, providing a direct road link between the existing Ryan division and the adjoining Upper Kedron and surrounding areas.

In 1991, the Augmented Electoral Commission noted, for example:

'The Kings Park development bordered by Settlement and Samford Roads was in the Brisbane Division proposed by the Redistribution Committee. Objections to this area were based on the community of interests between Kings Park and The Gap. The Commission upheld those objections and proposes to add Kings Park to the proposed Ryan.'

Today there is still a clear link and community of interest between these suburbs and the adjoining suburbs on the existing north-west boundary of Ryan.

In addition, there is a significant community of interest between the Ferny Grove area and the adjacent Ferny Hills/Arana Hills area.

Community organisations such as Ferny Grove State High School, together with sporting organisations such as the Ferny Grove Bowls Club, the Ferny Districts Cricket Club and the Ferny Grove and Districts Australian Football Club draw players and support from this broad area. All are located in Ferny Grove.

The community of interest links between Ferny Grove and Ferny Hills are substantial and cover education, retailing, sport and recreation, entertainment and transport.

Taken together, these factors have no doubt been viewed favourably by previous electoral Commission Redistribution processes accounting for the fact that the Ferny Grove area has been within the Ryan Federal Division for the overwhelming majority of the years since Ryan was established some 60 years ago.

Brisbane

We have made suggestions for Ryan which would avoid it moving into the inner city suburbs of Brisbane. Yet our proposal by making Settlement Rd and Samford Rd a western boundary for Brisbane takes out of that Division the SLA's of Ferny Grove, Upper Kedron and part of Keperra. As Brisbane would now be short of electors and given Stafford is mostly in Brisbane the logical place for it to pick up is Stafford Heights from Petrie.

Lilley

Lilley will be some 3,000 electors below the projected quota. Whilst its enrolment at the future date would just place it within tolerance (-3.2%) its low growth warrants a gain of electors. We suggest the Commissioners should join the whole of Chermside together by adding in the suburb of Chermside West from Petrie. This would mean that the residents of Chermside (both sides) would be part of the Lilley division. Residents of Chermside West share the Prince Charles Hospital and Chermside shopping centre with other Chermside residents.

Petrie

Petrie will lose Stafford Heights SLA to the seat of Brisbane. A main transport route is Stafford Road which connects the SLA with the suburbs Stafford and the Grange that have a community of interest. Residents of all these areas use the common retail precinct of the Stafford City Shopping Centre.

Petrie will lose Chermside West to Lilley (see proposal for Lilley).

Petrie to lose Bridgeman Downs, Carseldine and Aspley to Dickson as these suburbs are connected with other suburbs already in Dickson. Such suburbs include Albany Creek and are linked via the main arterial transport route of Albany Creek Sub-arterial Road, Beams Road and Beckett Road. These suburbs have a community of interest with the eastern suburbs of Dickson in

that they share the Aspley Hypermarket as does the suburb of Carseldine which would also move from Petrie to Dickson.

The suburbs of Everton Park and McDowall should be moved to Dickson. These suburbs share a community of interest through sporting/community groups and clubs with Arana Hills and are connected by the main transport routes of South Pine and Beckett Roads.

The proposed boundary changes are supported by the fact that the residents within the areas of Aspley, Bridgeman Downs, McDowall, Carseldine, Everton Park, Chermside West and Stafford Heights are currently primarily serviced by community organisations, business, and retail facilities outside of the electorate of Petrie. Many residents also work outside the electorate of Petrie and their children attend schools outside of the electorate.

Petrie will gain Dakabin, Kallangur, Griffin, Mango Hill from Longman and Murrumba Downs from Dickson. There is a community of interest that connects these areas with the suburbs of Griffin and Mango Hill through the Westfield shopping centre at North Lakes/Mango Hill and through the main arterial route of ANZAC Avenue. The Pine River forms a natural boundary that separates Murrumba Downs from the rest of Dickson.

Petrie will gain Burpengary/Narangba SLA (CCDs 3120901-2 & 3120912) from Longman. These CCDs are connected by a community of interest to Dakabin/Kallangur area through the main transport route of Old Gympie Road and the shopping centre at North Lakes/Mango Hill

In addition, the areas of North Lakes, Griffin, Dakabin, Kallangur, Murrumba Downs, Burpengary, Narangba and Mango Hill have networks and a strong community association with the broader Mango Hill community and the Redcliffe Peninsula as a whole. This is due to business links, main transport routes, such as ANZAC Ave, Deception Bay Road and the Bruce Highway, and support from community services across the region. These areas are further connected as part of a common region for the provision of many government and community services delivered by organisations that operate within this common region.

Dickson

Dickson will gain Aspley, Bridgeman Downs, Carseldine, Everton Park and McDowall from Petrie and lose Murrumba Downs from Petrie.

Dickson will lose Esk SLA to Blair (see proposal for Blair).

Dickson will lose Hills District SLA (CCDs 3181001-8, 3181010-13) to Ryan. These SLAs share a community of interest with Ferny Grove/Upper Kedron SLAs. These SLAs were moved from the seat of Brisbane to Ryan (see our proposal for the seat of Brisbane). The Hills SLA and the Ferny Grove/Upper Kedron SLAs also share a common transport route along Samford Road.

Dickson will lose Moreton Bay SLA to Ryan (suburbs of Bunya, Camp Creek, Cedar Creek, Draper, Highvale, Mount Nebo, Samford Valley, Samford Village, Wights Mountain and Yugar. The main transport route is east-west via Mt Glorious/Samford Roads, connecting to the Hills District SLA and Ferny Grove/Upper Kedron SLAs which we have already proposed be added to the seat of Ryan.

We transfer around 27,000 future electors south from Longman to compensate for the loss of Esk in Dickson and south of the River from Ryan. Given that the northernmost parts of Dickson contains Lakes Samsonvale and Kurwongbah and thus will always be sparsely populated it ought to follow that the entire transfer of electors from Longman should be to Petrie.

It would simply make no sense to draw Dickson as a north/south Division. If the Commissioners accept our logic (followed in the case of Ryan via an east-west transfer from Dickson to Ryan) then Petrie becomes a more northern Brisbane Division and less like the axe shaped seat it has been for some years. With the size of the transfer from Longman to Petrie it also makes sense to draw Dickson as more of an east-west seat by taking from Petrie the SLA's of Dakalbin-Kallangur-M. Downs; Apsley, Bridgeman Downs, Carseldine; Everton Park and McDowall.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. RYAN</u>	91 045	94 269
<u>Less</u> Darra-Sumner; Jamboree Heights; Jindalee; Middle Park; Mount Ommaney; Riverhills; Westlakes SLA's (IE south of Brisbane River) To Oxley	-16 576	-17 053
<u>Plus</u> Ferny Grove; Upper Kedron SLA's Ex Brisbane	+5 868	+6 256
<u>Plus</u> part Keperra SLA Ex Brisbane (that part bounded by Samford and Settlement Rds) CCD's 3230309-10, 12 N.B. CCD 3230310 is split but all electors have been assigned to Ryan	+1 473	+1 475
<u>Plus</u> part Hills District SLA Ex Dickson (suburb of Ferny Hills) CCD's 3181001-8, 10-13	+5 815	+5 969
<u>Plus</u> Moreton Bay Bal SLA Ex Dickson (suburbs of Bunya; Camp Creek; Cedar Creek; Draper; Highvale; Mount Nebo; Samford Valley; Samford Village; Wights and Yugar) CCD's 3180201-2, 4-10, 12-14, 3180304, 20, 3181009, 18	+7 030	+7 616
<u>TOTAL</u>	94 655	98 532
<u>2. BRISBANE</u>	91 727	98 050
<u>Less</u> Ferny Grove; Upper Kedron SLA's To Ryan	-5 868	-6 256
<u>Less</u> part Keperra SLA To Ryan (that part bounded by Samford and Settlement Rds) CCD's 3230309-10, 12	-1 473	-1 475

N.B. CCD 3230310 is split but all electors have been assigned to Ryan

Plus Stafford Heights SLA **Ex Petrie** +4 623 +4 569

TOTAL **89 009** **94 888**

3. LILLEY **91 445** **94 144**

Plus Chermside West +4 398 +4 342

Ex Petrie

TOTAL **95 843** **98 486**

4. PETRIE **91 347** **96 429**

Less Stafford Heights SLA -4 623 -4 569

To Brisbane

Less Chermside West -4 398 -4 342

To Lilley

Less Apsley, Bridgeman Downs, Carseldine; -25 741 -26 708

Everton Park and McDowall **To Dickson**

Plus Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs **Ex Dickson** +5 288 +6 860

Plus Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs +11 559 +12 581

Ex Longman

Plus Griffin-Mango Hill **Ex Longman** +5 475 +10 946

Plus part Burpengary-Narangba SLA **Ex Longman** +2 441 +2 765

CCD's 3120901-2, 12

Plus part Deception Bay SLA **Ex Longman** +556 +643

CCD 3122303

TOTAL **81 904** **94 605**

5. DICKSON **91 272** **100 944**

Less Esk SLA **To Blair** -10 811 -11 566

Less part Hills District SLA **To Ryan** -5 815 -5 969

(suburb of Ferny Hills)

CCD's 3181001-8, 10-13

Less Moreton Bay Bal SLA **To Ryan** -7 030 -7 616

(suburbs of Bunya; Camp Creek; Cedar Creek; Draper;

Highvale; Mount Nebo; Samford Valley; Samford Village;

Wights and Yugar)

CCD's 3180201-2, 4-10, 12-14, 3180304, 20, 3181009, 18

Less Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs **To Petrie** -5 288 -6 860

Plus Apsley, Bridgeman Downs, Carseldine; +25 741 +26 708

Everton Park and McDowall **Ex Petrie**

TOTAL	88 069	95 641
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Ipswich Region

Seats of Oxley and Blair

Blair

As we have seen Blair loses to the new proposed division of Theodore all of the Scenic Rim and Lockyer Valley Councils plus the SLAs of Ipswich South West and Ipswich West. That's a loss of 35,000 electors today and 40,000 projected. Part of the shortfall in Blair is met via the surplus in Oxley and the remainder through the rejoining with Blair of the Somerset Regional Council.

Ipswich and Somerset are adjoining and are linked by the Brisbane Valley Highway.

The new and popular Brisbane Valley Rail Trail starts north of Esk and travels down to Brassall in Ipswich.

The Ipswich City Council (ICC) provides shared services with the Somerset Regional Council (SRC) and the former is assisting the latter with regional reform of water assets.

The Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams are both located in SRC. These are popular picnic and boating recreational facilities for Ipswich people as well as water resources.

The Brisbane Valley is part of the same Health District as Ipswich and medical staff and patients transfer regularly between the Esk Hospital and the Ipswich General Hospital.

Most people who live in the most heavily populated southern part of SRC work in Ipswich, do their "big shops" at Ipswich shopping centres such as Riverlink and Brassall Shopping Centre and use Ipswich as the main venue for restaurants, films and other forms of entertainment.

These areas are linked in all forms of team sports. They are also linked for the purpose of Education Queensland.

Many Somerset people send their children to Ipswich schools such as West Moreton Anglican College, Ipswich Grammar School, Ipswich Girls Grammar School, Ipswich State High or Brassall State Primary Schools.

SRC and ICC areas were part of the old Ipswich Regional Area Consultative Committee and now are linked through the Local Regional Development Australia Committee for the purpose of federal regional funding.

The Chambers of Commerce are closely linked and involved in the federally funded Ipswich Business Enterprise Centre helping business across the region.

All of SRC was in Blair before the last federal redistribution and for all but the last 3 years has been with Ipswich in Blair since 1998.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. OXLEY</u>	91 477	112 100
<u>Less</u> Acacia Ridge; Algester; Calamvale SLA's	-11 538	-12 563
To Moreton		
<u>Less</u> Parkinson-Drewvale To Rankin	-5 945	-6 534
<u>Less</u> part Ipswich East SLA To Blair	-9 384	-15 882
CCD's 3130801-3,7-12; 3131209-11, 13 3131301,7-9, 3131404,6,10-15		
<u>Plus</u> Darra-Sumner; Jamboree Heights; Jindalee; Middle Park; Mount Ommaney; Riverhills; Westlakes SLA's (ie south of Brisbane River) Ex Ryan	+16 576	+17 053
<u>TOTAL</u>	81 186	94 174
 <u>2. BLAIR</u>	 92 566	 107 378
<u>Less</u> Boonah; Gatton; Ipswich South West; Ipswich West; Ipswich West; Laidley SLA's To Theodore	-35 308	-40 129
<u>Plus</u> part Ipswich East SLA Ex Oxley	+9 384	+15 882
CCD's 3130801-3,7-12; 3131209-11, 13 3131301,7-9, 3131404,6,10-15		
<u>Plus</u> Kilcoy SLA Ex Fisher	+2 435	+2 622
<u>Plus</u> Esk SLA Ex Dickson	+10 811	+11 566
<u>TOTAL</u>	79 888	97 319

Western Region

Seats of Groom and Maranoa

Groom

As Groom is on quota, therefore there is no need to change its boundaries.

Maranoa

On the other hand Maranoa is significantly below quota. It's sensible to transfer the necessary electors from Flynn. It is proposed to add Wandoan (the only part of the Dalby Regional Council not already in Maranoa); Wondai (which is part of the South Burnett Regional Council based on Kingaroy) and the entire Blackall-Tambo Regional Council which until the 2006 redistribution had been part of the Division of Maranoa.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. MARANOA</u>	87 784	90 878
Plus Blackall; Murilla-Wandoan; Tambo; Wondai SLA's Ex Flynn	+5 551	+5 753
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>93 305</u>	<u>96 631</u>
<u>2. GROOM</u>	91 572	97 182
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>91 572</u>	<u>97 182</u>

Sunshine Coast Region

Seats of Longman, Fisher, Fairfax, Wide Bay

Longman

Although the Division of Longman is some 12,000 electors over quota at the future date there is a significant shortfall of electors in divisions to its south, caused by the removal of Esk from Dickson and the south of the River part of Ryan. It so happens that the collective shortfall in numbers in those divisions below Longman can be met both from Longman's surplus and as well by taking all those parts of the Moreton Bay Regional Council.

This means that the northern boundary of Longman line up with the northern boundary of the Moreton Bay Regional Council. Moreover, these electors proposed to be transferred from Fisher were part of the former Division of Longman until the 2006 redistribution.

Fisher/Fairfax

With Fisher shedding to Longman 17,000 projected electors, there is then a self contained cascade of electors from northern Sunshine Coast Divisions. Maroochydore moves from Fairfax to compensate Fisher which besides losing its Moreton Bay Regional Council component has also lost Kilcoy to Blair (thus uniting Somerset Regional Council in Blair).

Wide Bay

Having shed some area to Fairfax and already being under quota Wide Bay needs to gain some area. Population pressure in the South East means that this would be best done by Wide Bay gaining the Biggenden and Woocoo SLAs and part of the Isis SLA from Hinkler. As mentioned Childers is almost as close to Maryborough as Bundaberg and closer to Maryborough and moving Childers into Wide Bay would satisfy quota requirements.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. LONGMAN</u>	92 746	109 170
<u>Less</u> Dakabin-Kallangur-M. Downs To Petrie	-11 559	-12581
<u>Less</u> Griffin-Mango Hill To Petrie	-5 475	-10 946
<u>Less</u> part Burpengary-Narangba SLA To Petrie	-2 441	-2 765
CCD's 3120901-2, 12		
<u>Less</u> part Deception Bay SLA To Petrie	-556	-643
CCD 3122303		
<u>Plus</u> Caboolture Central; Caboolture Hinterland; Caboolture Mid West; Morayfield SLA's Ex Fisher	+15 388	+17 000
<u>TOTAL</u>	88 103	99 235
<u>2. FISHER</u>	89 612	102 015
<u>Less</u> Caboolture Central; Caboolture Hinterland; Caboolture Mid West; Morayfield SLA's To Longman	-15 388	-17 000
<u>Less</u> Kilcoy SLA To Blair	-2 435	-2 622
<u>Plus</u> Maroochy SLA Ex Fairfax	+11 967	+12 753
<u>TOTAL</u>	83 756	95 146
<u>3. FAIRFAX</u>	92 485	107 069
<u>Less</u> Maroochy SLA To Fisher	-11 967	-12 753
<u>Plus</u> Coolumb Mudjimba; Maroochy Hinterland SLA's Ex Wide Bay	+2 869	+3 155
<u>TOTAL</u>	83 387	97 471
<u>4. WIDE BAY</u>	90 143	95 394
<u>Less</u> Coolumb Mudjimba; Maroochy Hinterland SLA's To Fairfax	-2 869	-3 155
<u>Plus</u> Biggenden; Woocoo SLA's Ex Hinkler	+2 558	+2 736
<u>Plus</u> part Isis SLA Ex Hinkler	+2 418	+2 559

TOTAL	92 250	97 534
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Central Queensland Region

Seats of Hinkler, Flynn and Capricornia

Flynn

Flynn is a seat that is based on Gladstone but has needed to extend far into western Queensland. It is 964 kilometres between Winton and Gladstone and the electorate should not be made any longer than it currently is.

Flynn needs to shed electors to Maranoa and we suggest that Blackall, Murilla-Wandoan, Tambo and Wondai SLAs be moved to Maranoa.

To make up for this movement we suggest that the Mt Morgan SLA and part A and B of the Fitzroy SLAs be included with Flynn. These communities are much closer to Gladstone than other possible solutions to the requirements of meeting quota.

Hinkler

The division of Hinkler is now defined by the two centres of Bundaberg and Hervey Bay. Due to growth the division needs to shed some voters.

Rather than cutting away at the two major centres that define the division, it is suggested that the Biggenden and Woocoo SLAs and part of the Isis SLA (CCDs 3071701-3, 8-13, 17) be moved to the Division of Wide Bay. This keeps intact the two communities that define the division and still maintains the border along the Bruce Highway and further connection via Goodwood Road.

Childers is only 60 km from Maryborough and this is not much further than the distance from Bundaberg and closer than Hervey Bay. While this is not an ideal community of interest outcome it is a better outcome than cutting off parts of Bundaberg or Hervey Bay.

Capricornia

While Capricornia is on par with the projected quotas, pressure from the shedding of voters from the northern seats means it must accommodate movement out of Kennedy. It is proposed the centre of Charters Towers move into Capricornia.

As indicated above (see Flynn), the movement of voters from Flynn to Maranoa provides the opportunity to move Mt Morgan and Fitzroy SLAs from Capricornia to Flynn, thus providing the further movement needed to satisfy the quota requirements in Capricornia.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. CAPRICORNIA</u>	93 691	100 090
<u>Less</u> Fitzroy Pt A; Fitzroy Pt B; Mt Morgan SLA's To Flynn	-7 430	-8 244
<u>Plus</u> part Dalrymple Ex Kennedy	+1 919	+1 981
CCD's 3031201-6; 3031301, 6-9		
<u>Plus</u> Charters Towers Ex Kennedy	+4 893	+4 927
<u>TOTAL</u>	93 073	98 754
 <u>2. FLYNN</u>	 88 843	 94 606
<u>Less</u> Blackall; Murilla-Wandoan; Tambo; Wondai SLA's To Maranoa	-5 551	-5 753
<u>Plus</u> Fitzroy Pt A; Fitzroy Pt B; Mt Morgan SLA's Ex Capricornia	+7 430	+8 244
<u>TOTAL</u>	90 722	97 097
 <u>3. HINKLER</u>	 91 929	 104 200
<u>Less</u> Biggenden ; Woocoo SLA's To Wide Bay	-2 558	-2 736
<u>Less</u> part Isis SLA To Wide Bay	-2 418	-2 559
CCD's 3071701-3, 8-13, 17		
<u>TOTAL</u>	86 953	98 905

North Queensland Region

Seats of Herbert, Dawson, Kennedy and Leichhardt

Dawson

The seat of Dawson should always have the city of Mackay as its base. While recently the seat has crept up the coast to take in some southern parts of Townsville, Dawson should be kept based on Mackay and not allow the city to be divided with very poor community of interest outcomes.

However Dawson does need to gain some vote and it is the best of difficult community of interest arguments that Dawson gain the Wulguru SLA from Herbert on the south side of Townsville. Dawson does already include the suburb of Stuart and the Wulguru area does have connection to this area.

Leichhardt

It is proposed that the seat of Leichhardt remain centred on the State electoral divisions of Cairns, Barron River and Cook with most of the remaining sections of the State seat of Mulgrave currently within Leichhardt moving into Kennedy.

There is strengthening community of interest in the southern suburbs of Cairns with the plans for the development of an Edmonton town centre as part of the Cairns Regional Council urban plan well progressed. This town centre is to service the growing southern suburbs with plans for considerable population growth between Edmonton and Gordonvale over coming years. This town centre is being designed to provide a range of services so that communities in this area and surrounds will no longer need to travel to the centre of Cairns. Edmonton is already the major shopping centre for Gordonvale and Yarrabah that both currently exist within Kennedy and moving the boundary of Leichhardt north would provide a greater centre of gravity for these communities of interest and meets the other considerations including transport and physical features as required under the electoral act.

This would leave the remaining boundaries of Leichhardt unchanged and see the Torres Strait and Cape York Peninsula remain in Leichhardt.

The Torres Strait is a unique community with island people being ethnically and culturally distinct from Aboriginal Australians. The Torres Strait is linked to mainland Australia not through Cape York Peninsula where the roads are cut for half the year but through sea and air transport to Cairns. The regions groceries and other freight is transported by barge out of Cairns and there is a twice daily air service between Cairns and Horne Island in the Torres Strait. The majority of the Torres Strait population is indigenous and is heavily depended on government service delivery with regional offices for most government departments centred on Cairns. There is also a large Torres Strait Island community in Cairns so the links are not only economic but social. There are therefore strong arguments on the grounds of communities of interest including social and economic as well as transport and communication for maintaining the Torres Strait communities within an electoral division centred on the City of Cairns. There is no community of interest, direct transport links or geographical connection between the Torres Strait and the division of Kennedy.

The population of Cape York Peninsula is similarly dominated by indigenous people with communities of interest and transport and communication links to Cairns. The Cape York Land Council, Cape York Institute, Apumipima Cape York Health Council, Baulkanu Cape York Development Association are all peak indigenous organisation for the region based in Cairns servicing Cape York Indigenous peoples. Many of the Aboriginal Shire Councils also have offices in Cairns as this is the major business hub for the region. The Royal Flying Doctor service that provides health services into the region has offices in Cairns. Also these regions are serviced by the Cairns Base Hospital.

The region is cut off for up to half the year by road because of the wet season with communities relying on air and barge transport out of Cairns. The mail for the region is distributed out of Cairns. Government departments that service the area have their regional offices centred on Cairns. There is also a major indigenous community living in Cairns with family ties back to communities in the Cape. The region geographically borders the boundary of the Cairns Regional Council. There are therefore strong arguments on the grounds of communities of interest including social and economic as well as transport and communication links for maintaining these Cape communities in an electoral division centred on the City of Cairns.

The strong arguments for maintaining connections between these communities in Cape York Peninsula and Torres Strait to Cairns and the obvious

geographical and social and economic links between the city of Cairns and the areas already within the existing seat of Leichhardt including the Northern Beaches, Mossman, Port Douglas and Daintree region further strengthen the argument for changes to the boundaries of Leichhardt to occur at its southern end.

This would establish Leichhardt as a seat remaining centred on the State Electoral Division of Cairns, Barron River and Cook and see the majority of the remaining seat of Mulgrave that is currently in Leichhardt move into Kennedy.

The regional town of Mareeba would also remain in Kennedy as it has strong communities of interest with other Tablelands centres located in Kennedy while Kuranda maintains strong communities of interest and ties with Cairns.

Kennedy

Kennedy is severely impacted by the need to remove excess enrolment from Leichhardt.

If we go back to the 2006 redistribution the Commissioners clearly wanted the least change possible in Kennedy and whilst they split both Mackay and Townsville (ie with Dawson getting a bit of Townsville and Capricornia a bit of Mackay) they tried to do so in the minimal disruptive fashion.

This time Leichhardt is 10,000 over the future quota which must pass through to Kennedy. A complicating factor is that Herbert is also about 5,000 above the future quota.

Assuming that removing Mount Isa from Kennedy is not viable, then there are only two options. Do we remove from Kennedy the remaining parts of the former Thuringowa Shire to Herbert? The problem then is the cascade effect of a big lump of Townsville dropping into Dawson which would then see Mackay split in half.

What we are dealing with here are least worst options. Clearly the least worst option would be to remove Charters Towers from Kennedy and its placement in Capricornia.

<u>Division</u>	<u>19/02/09</u>	<u>09/07/12</u>
<u>1. LEICHHARDT</u>	95 837	107 893
<u>Less</u> part Trinity SLA To Kennedy	-6 420	-8 132
CCD's 3012101, 3-4, 29, 3012202-3, 12-14, 18, 20-21, 23, 3012702, 5		
<u>TOTAL</u>	89 417	99 761
<u>2. KENNEDY</u>	92 642	96 599
<u>Less</u> part Dalrymple To Capricornia	-1 919	-1 981
CCD's 3031201-6; 3031301, 6-9		
<u>Less</u> Charters Towers To Capricornia	-4 893	-4 927
<u>Plus</u> part Trinity SLA To Kennedy	+6 420	+8 132
CCD's 3012101, 3-4, 29, 3012202-3, 12-14, 18, 20-21, 23, 3012702, 5		

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Plus part Condon-Rasmussen-Bohle **Ex Herbert** +1 802 +2 572
CCD's 3040809, 17-19, 21

TOTAL **94 052** **100 395**

3. HERBERT **92 042** **102 521**

Less Wulguru SLA **To Dawson** -3 334 -3 408

Less part Condon-Rasmussen-Bohle **To Kennedy** -1 802 -2 572

CCD's 3040809, 17-19, 21

TOTAL **86 906** **96 541**

4. DAWSON **88 498** **96 160**

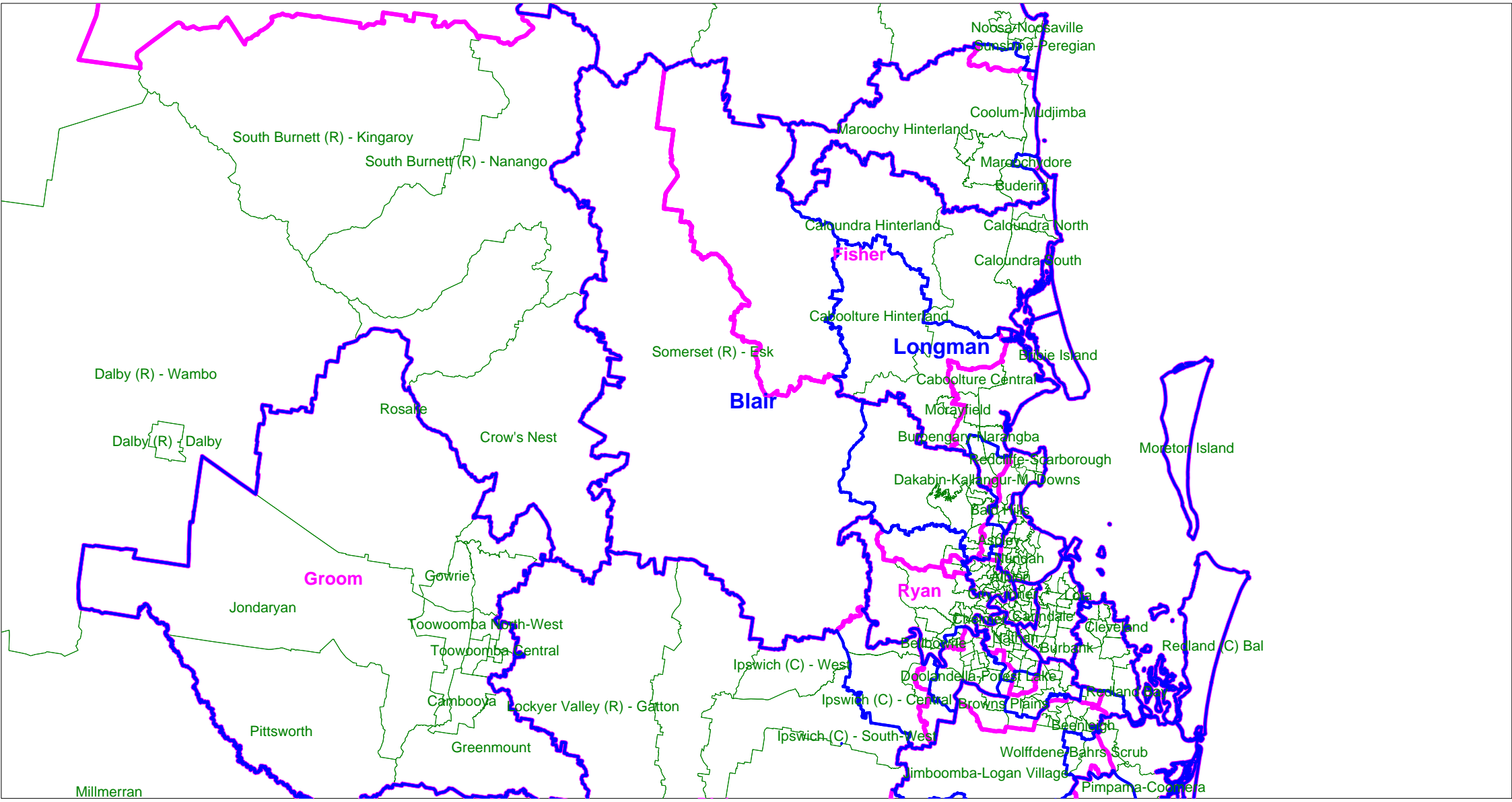
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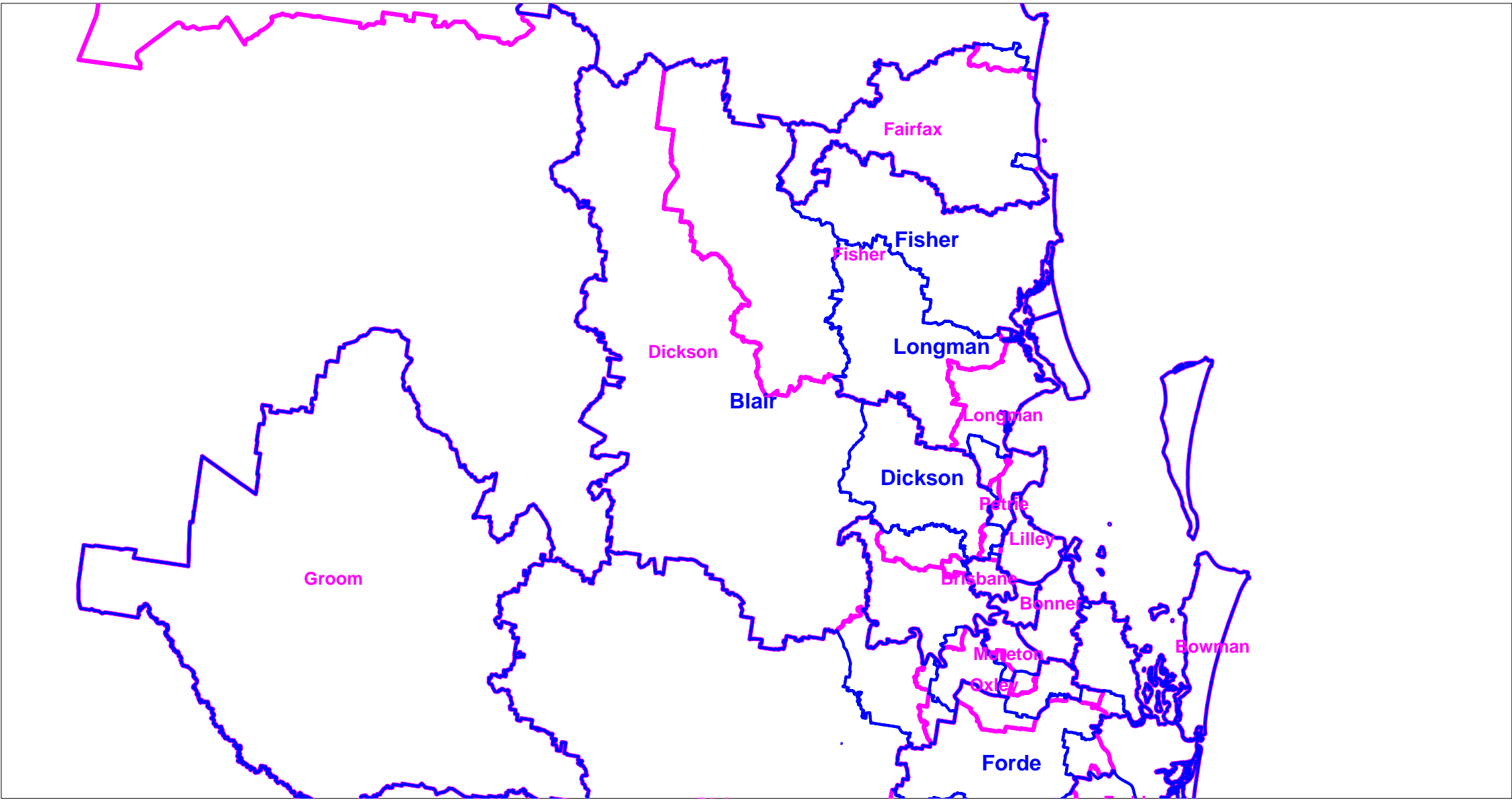
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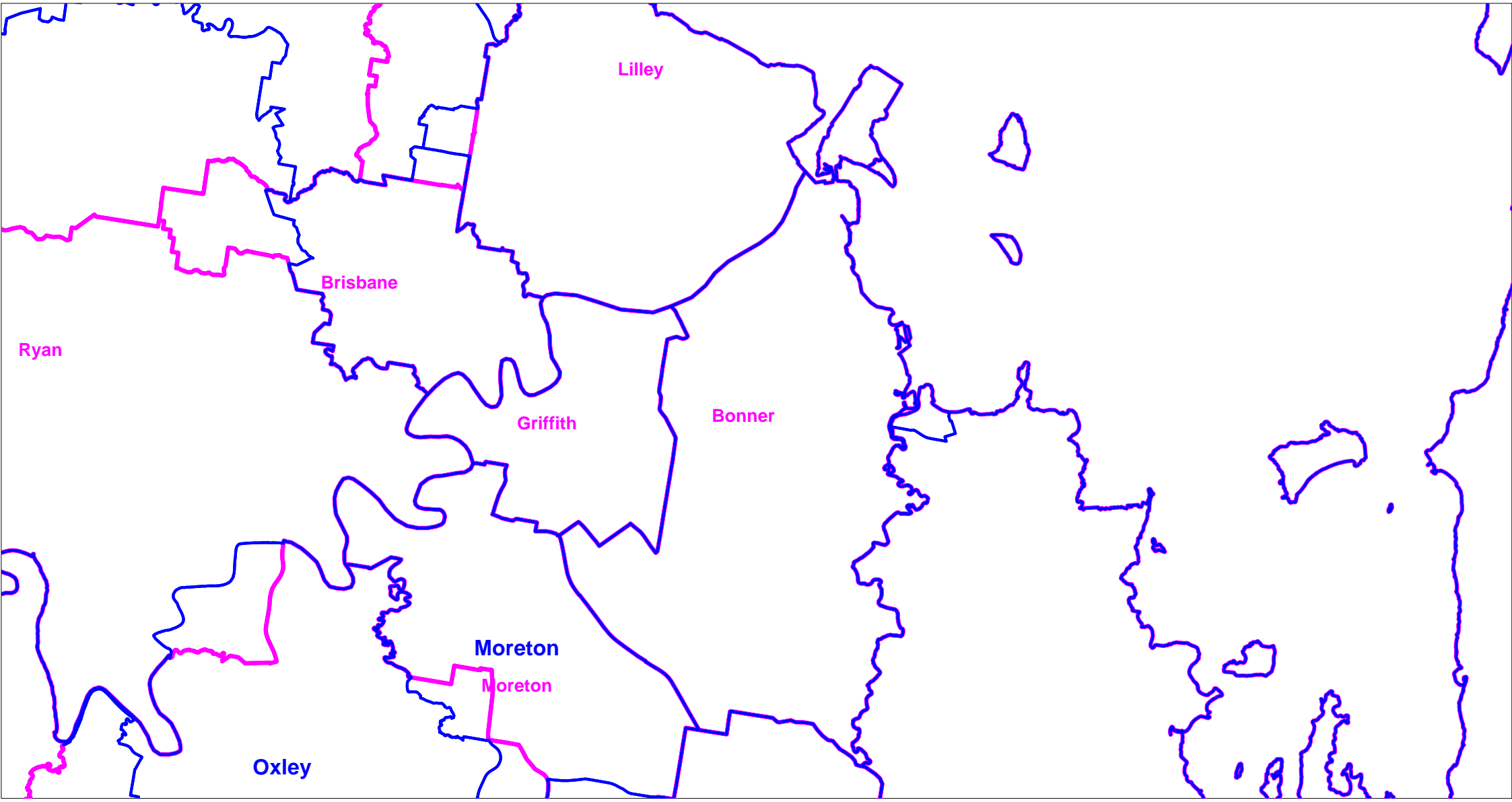
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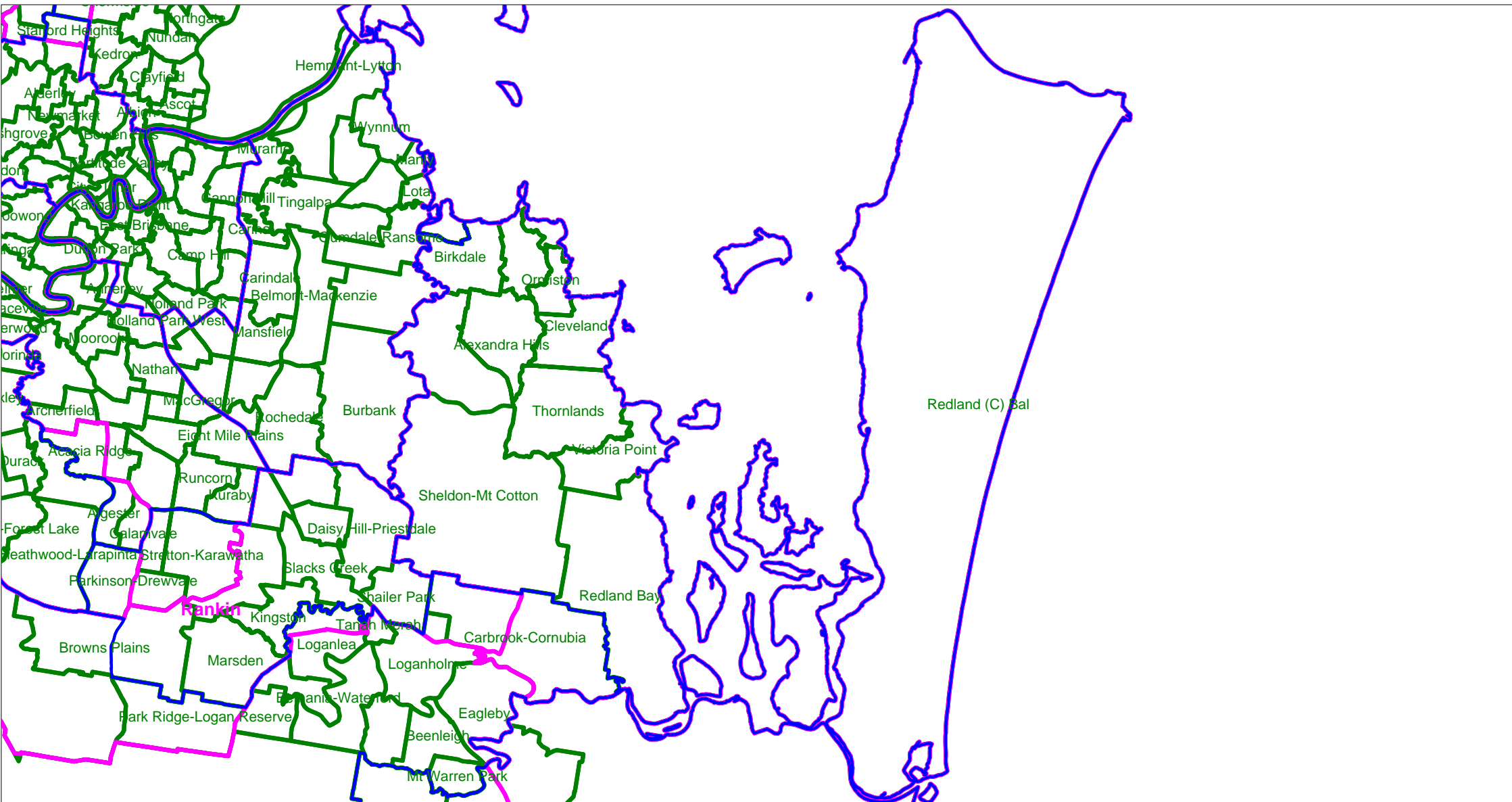
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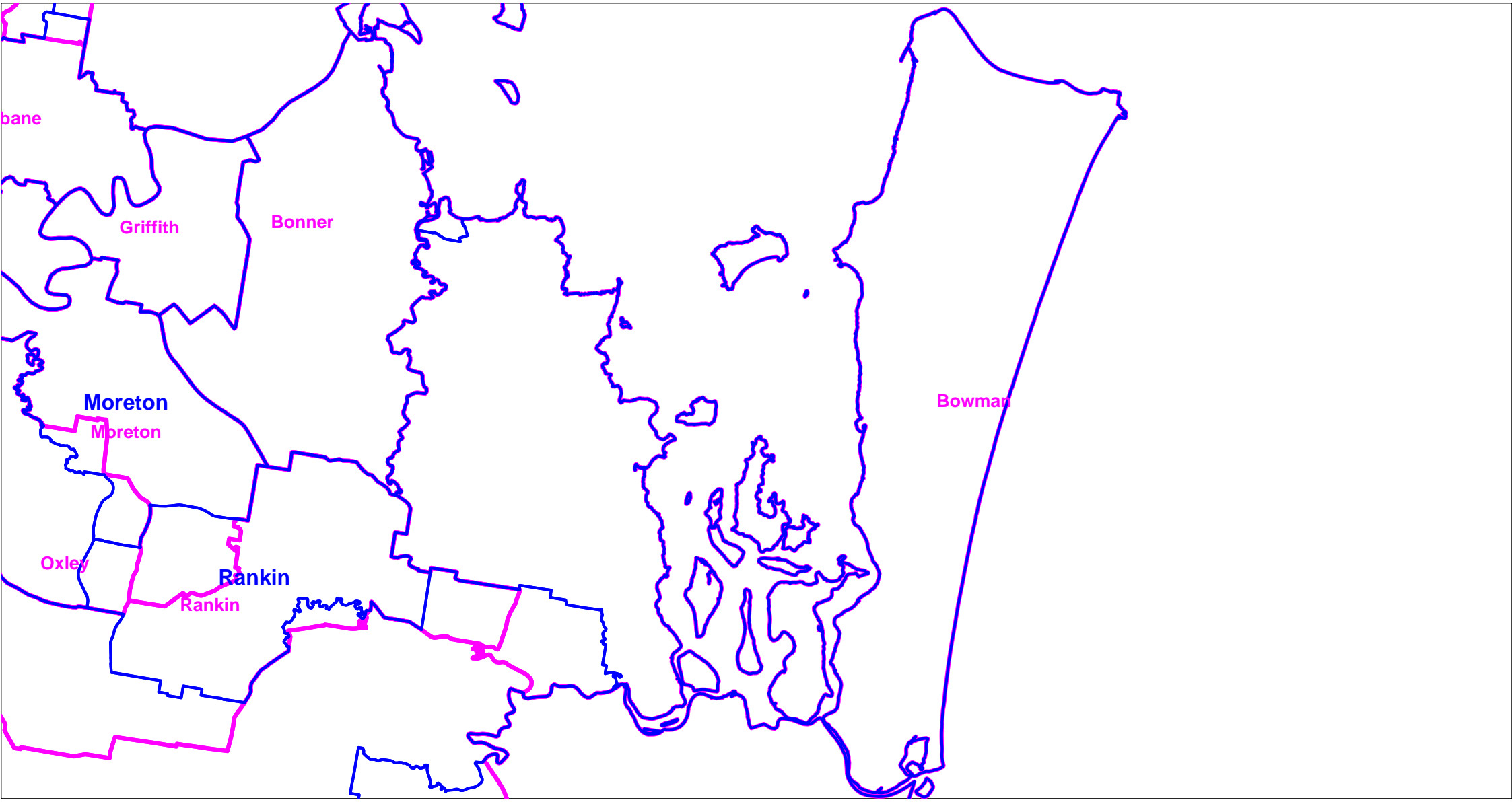
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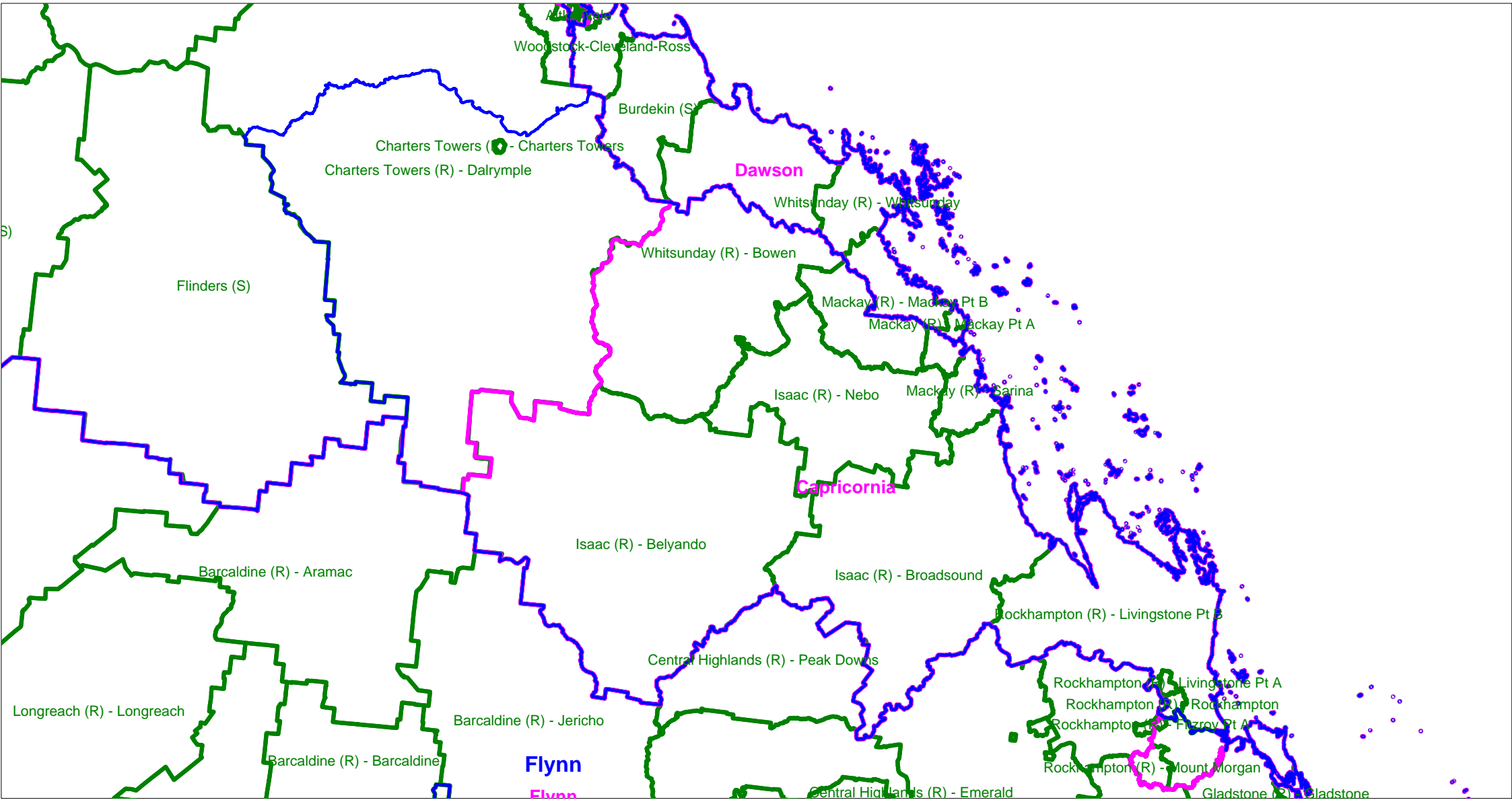


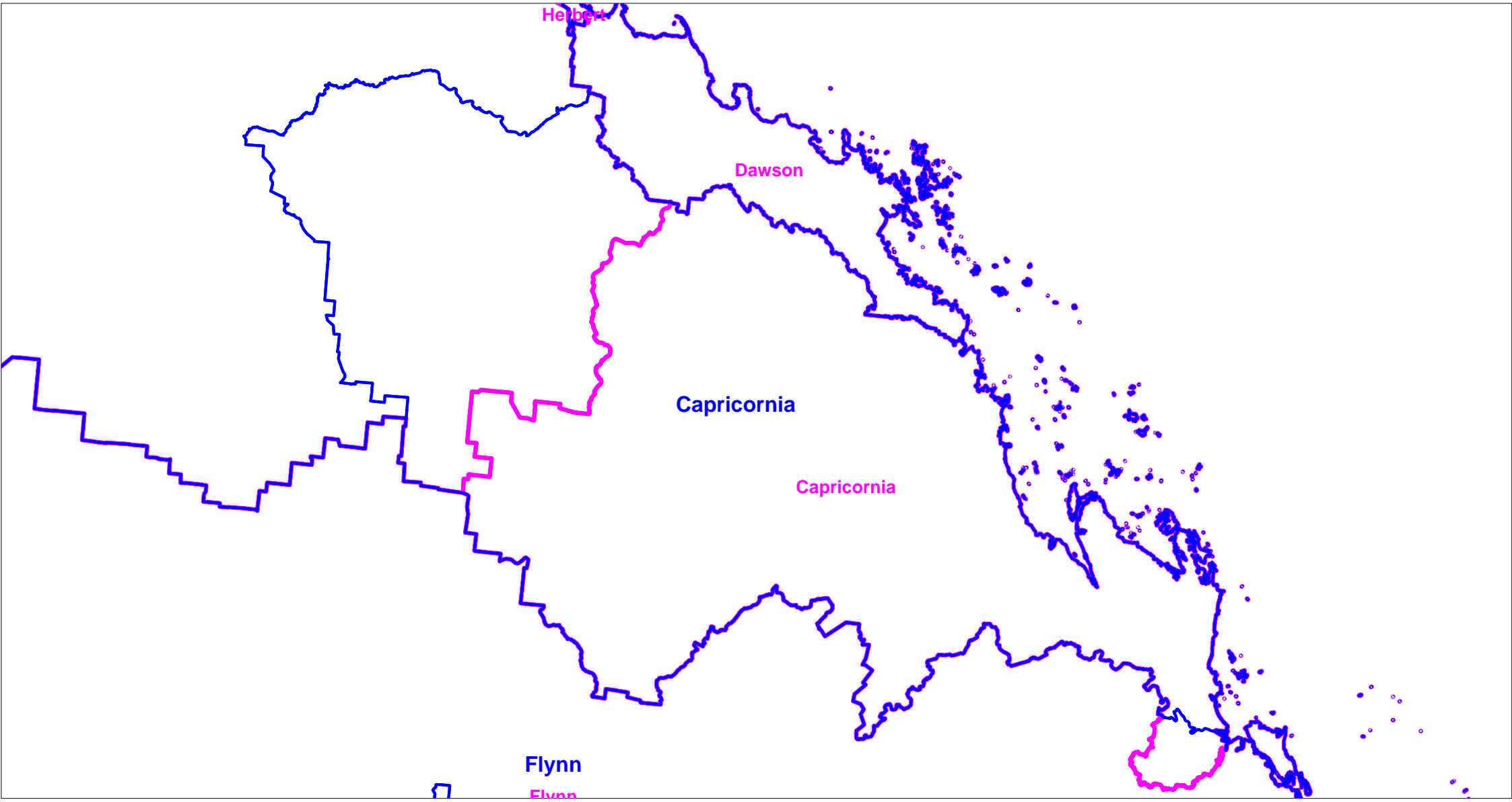


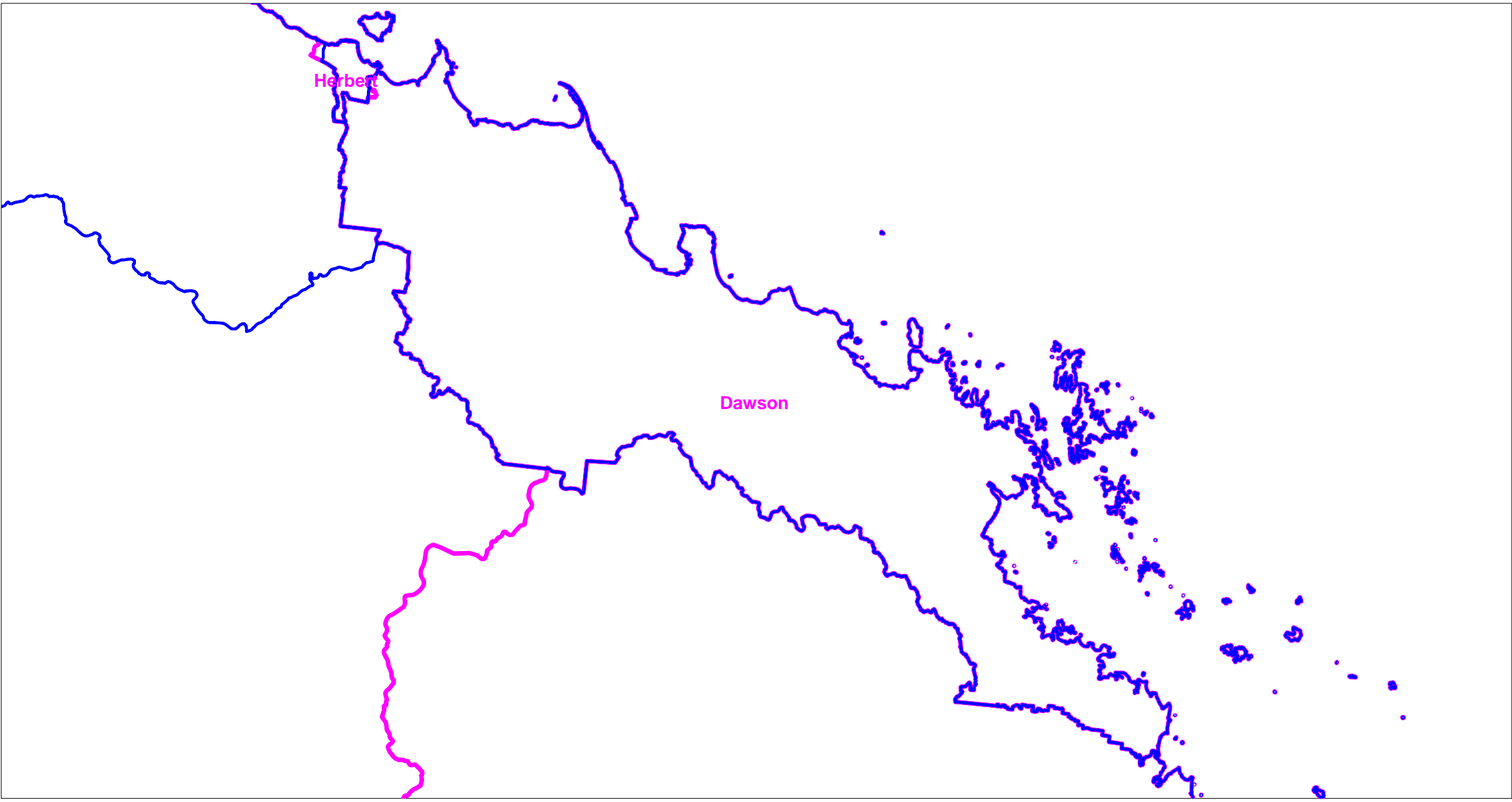


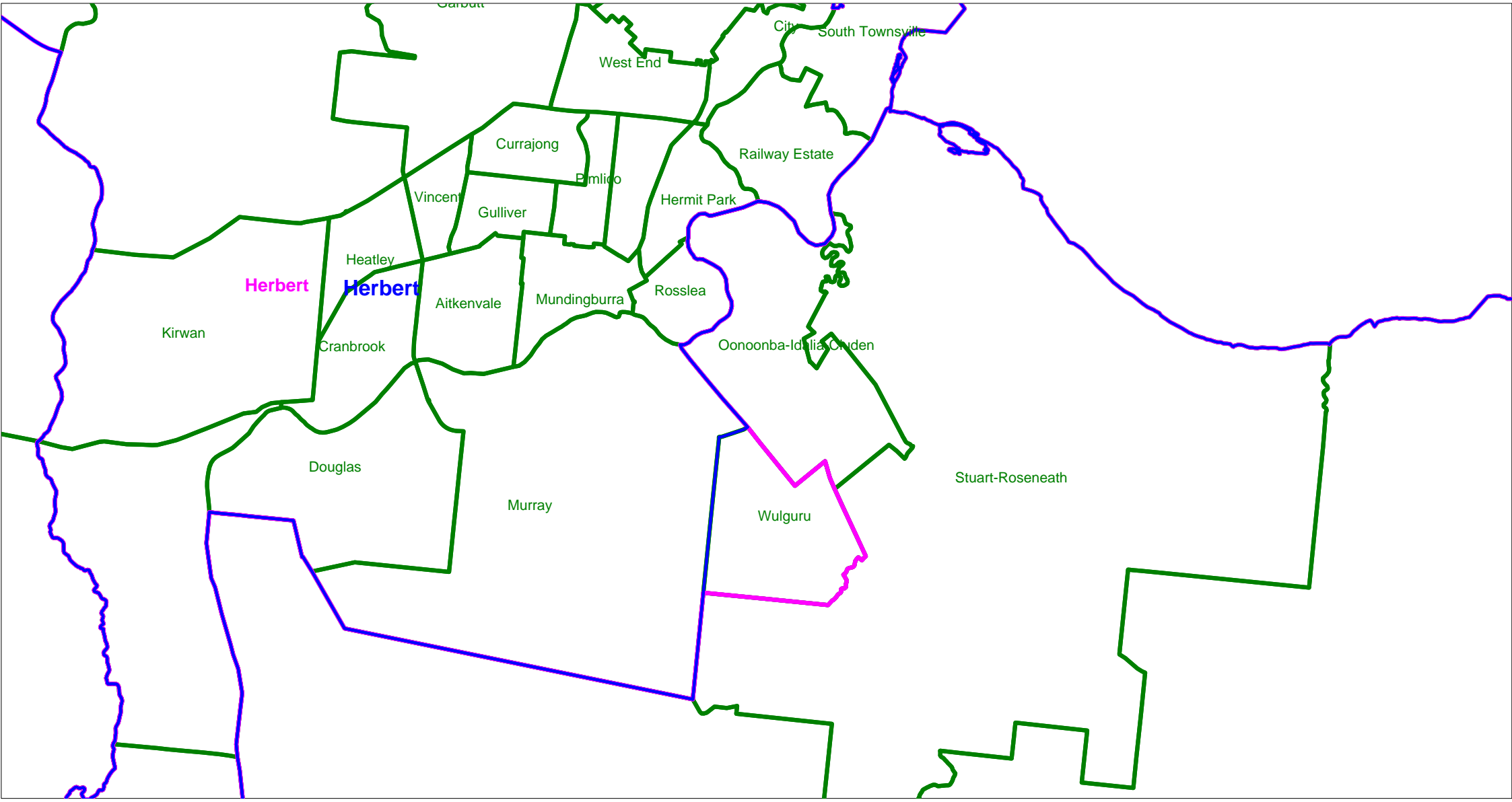


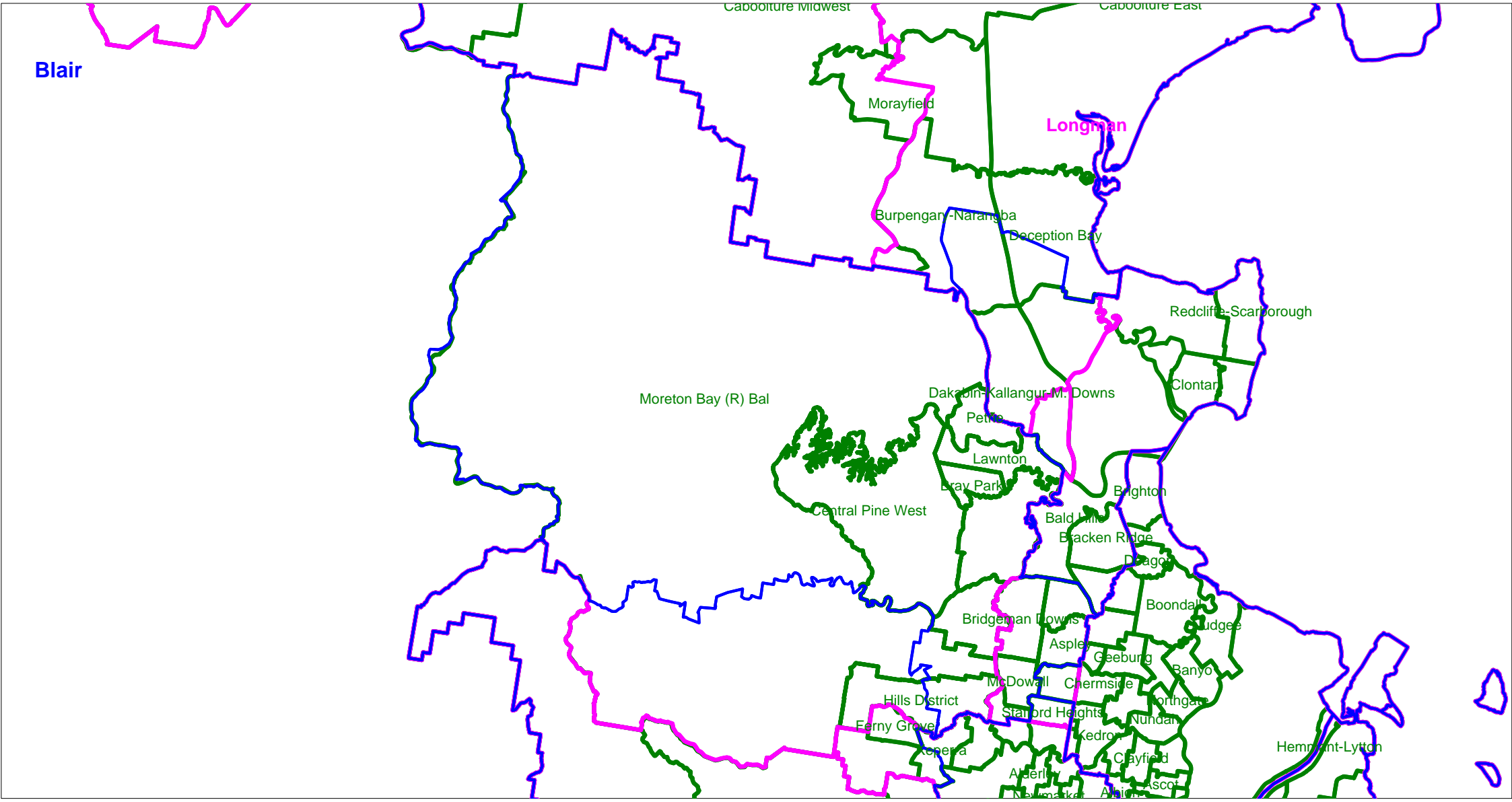


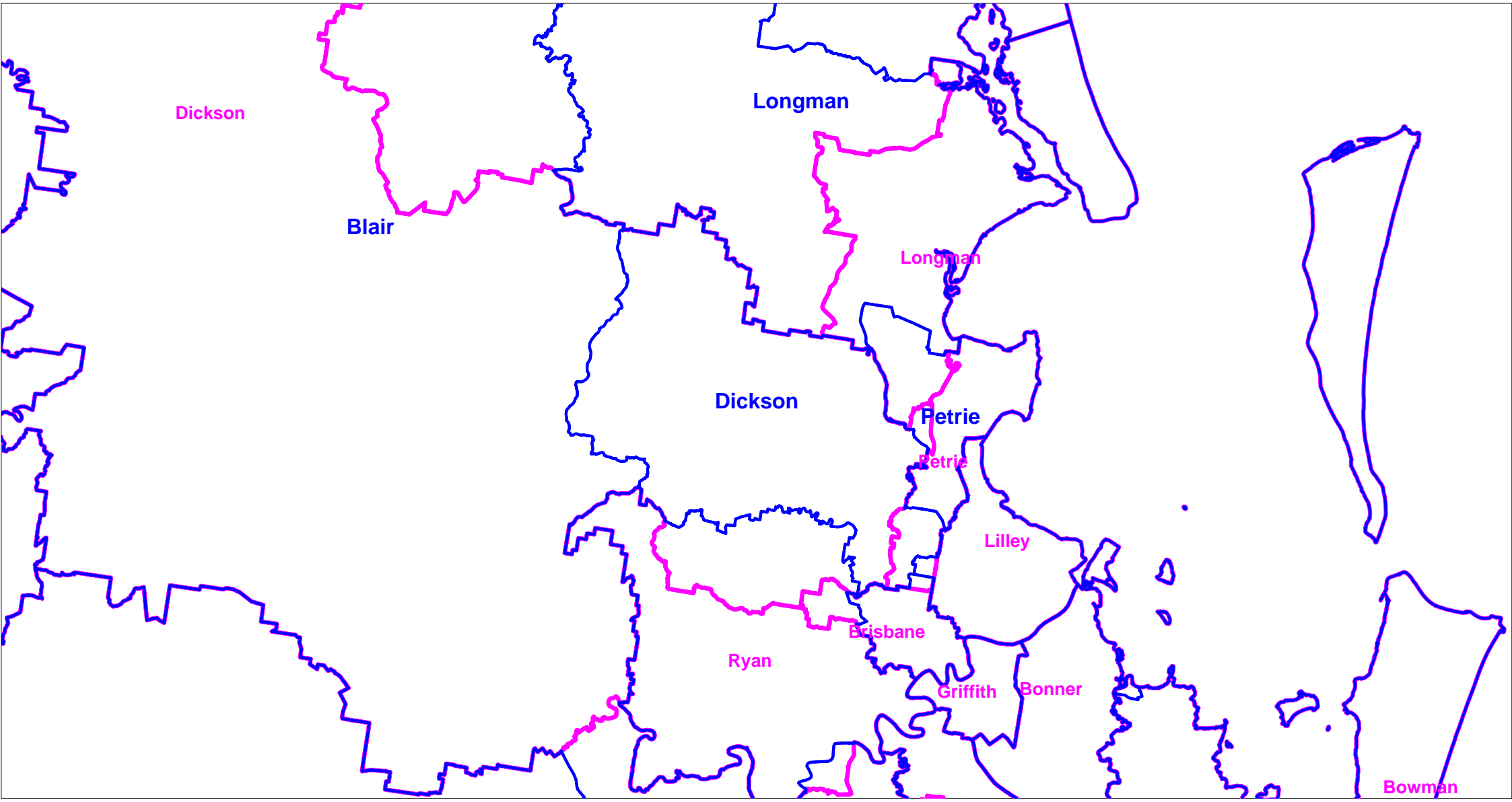


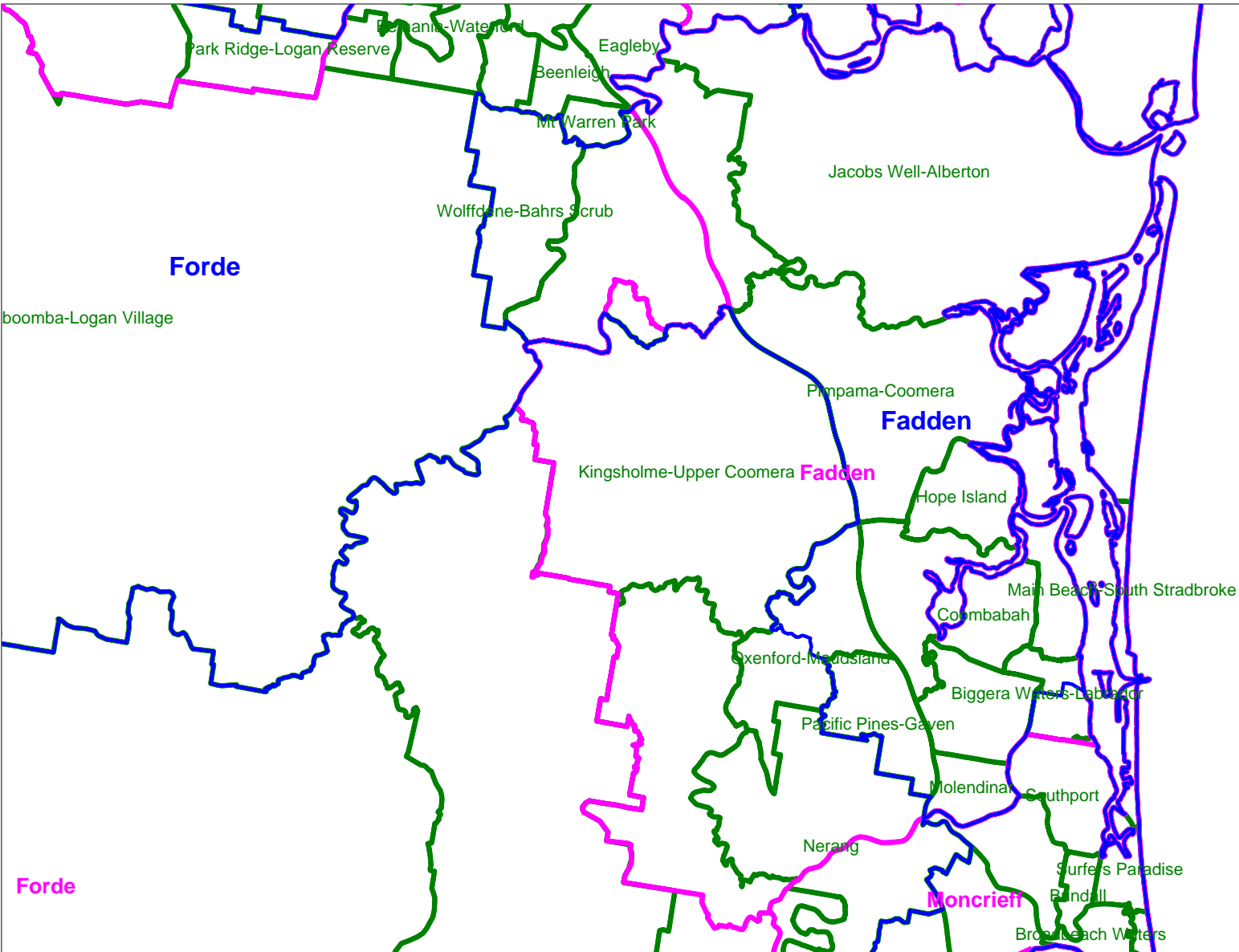


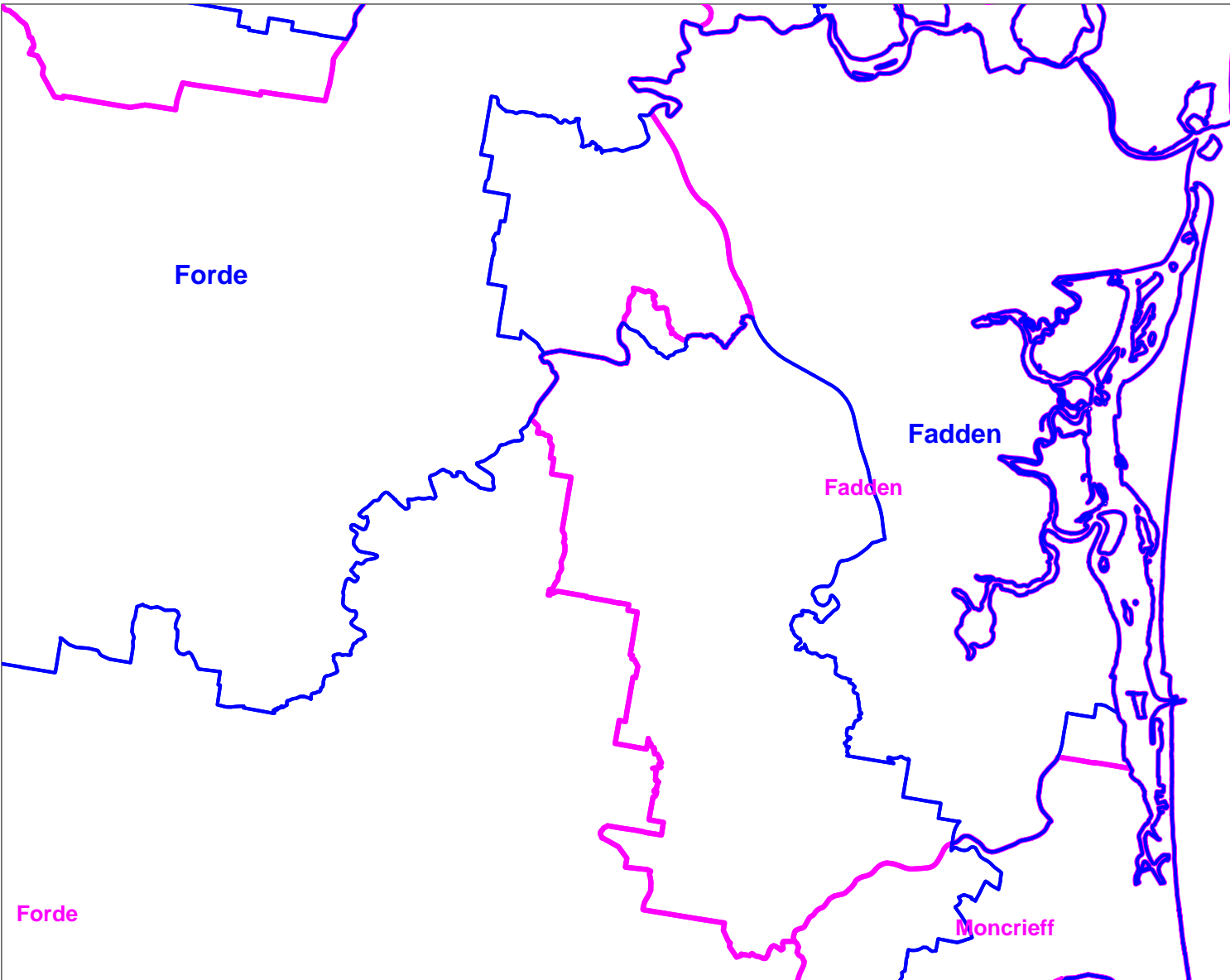


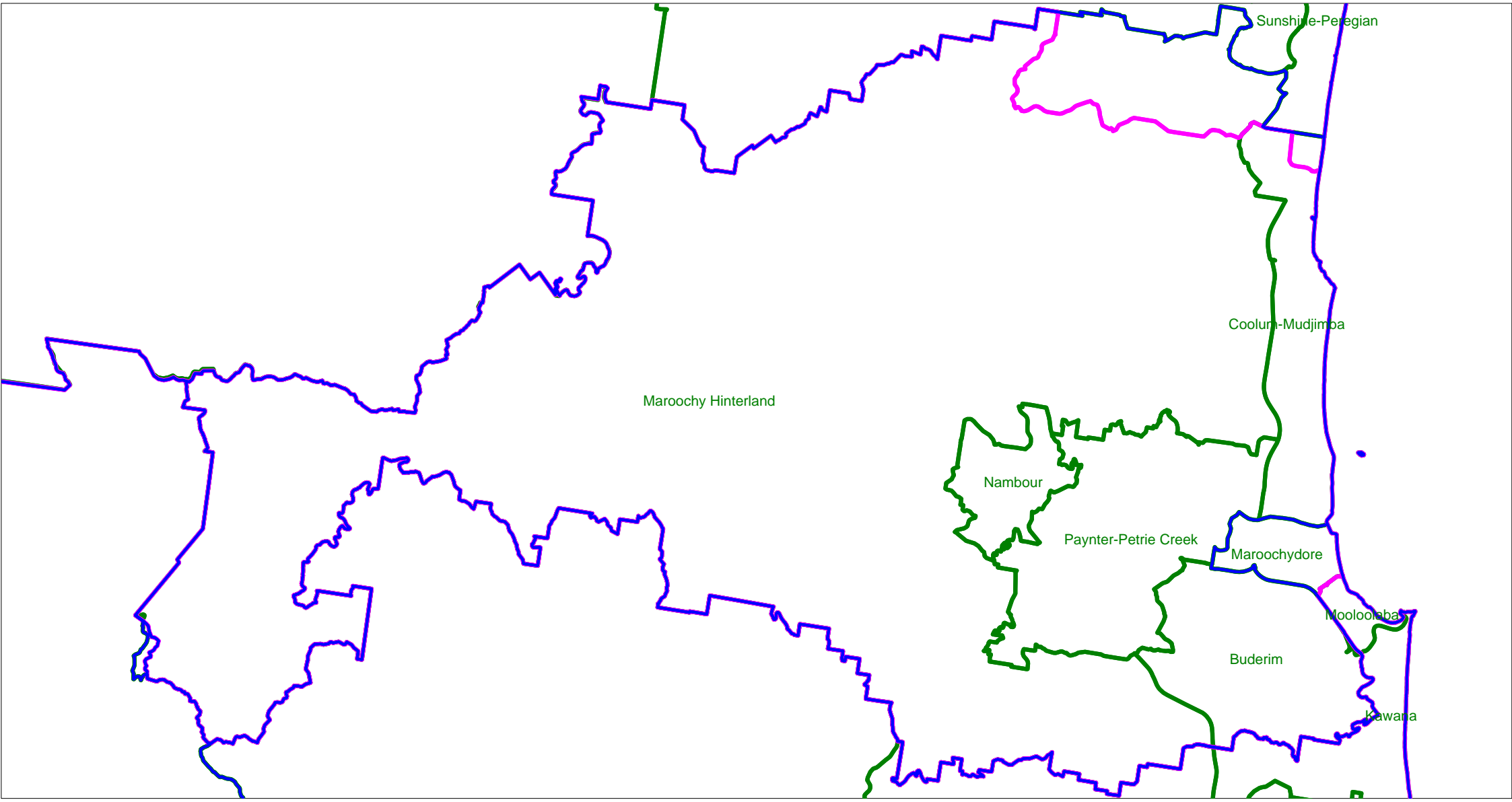


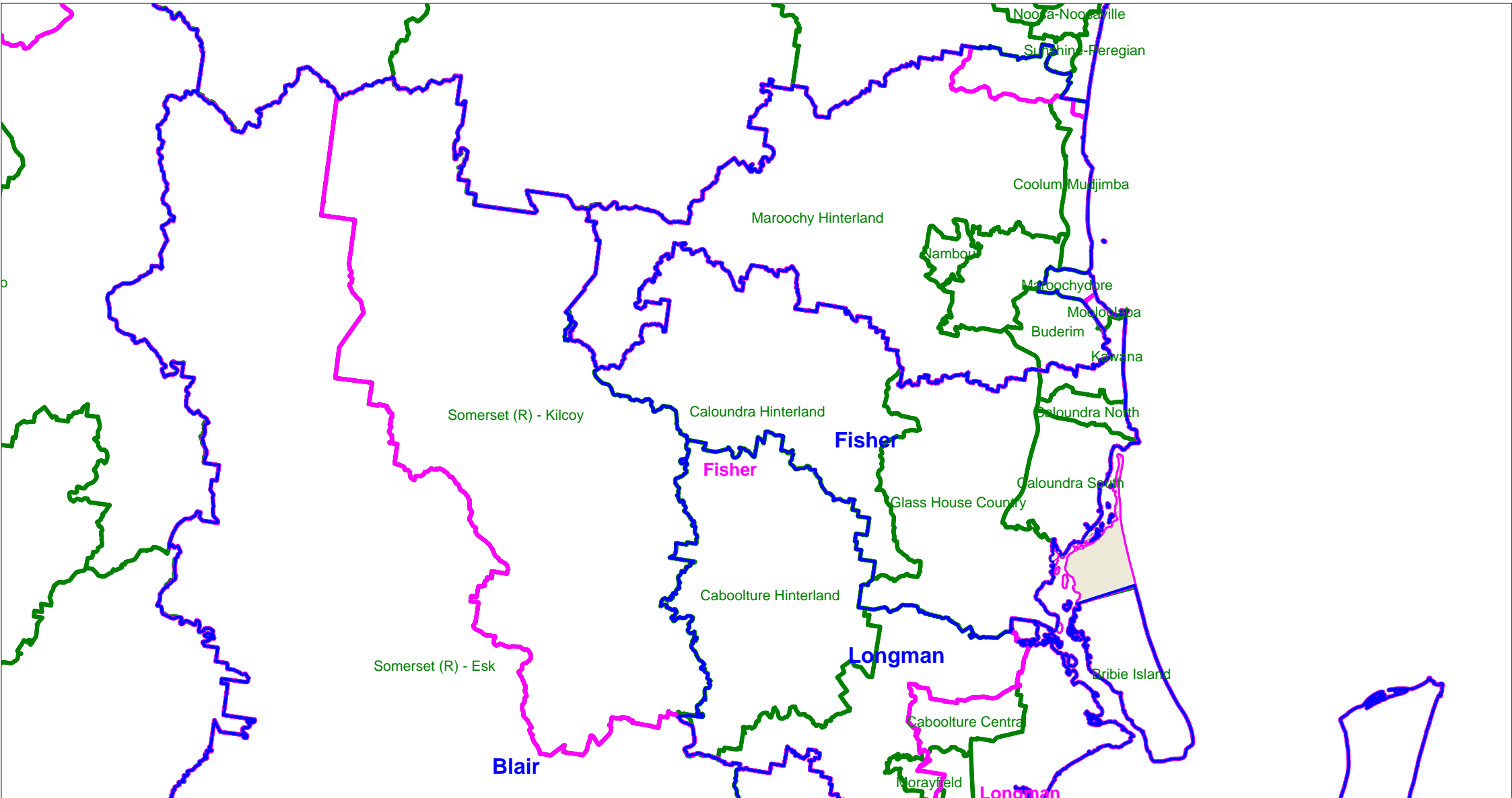


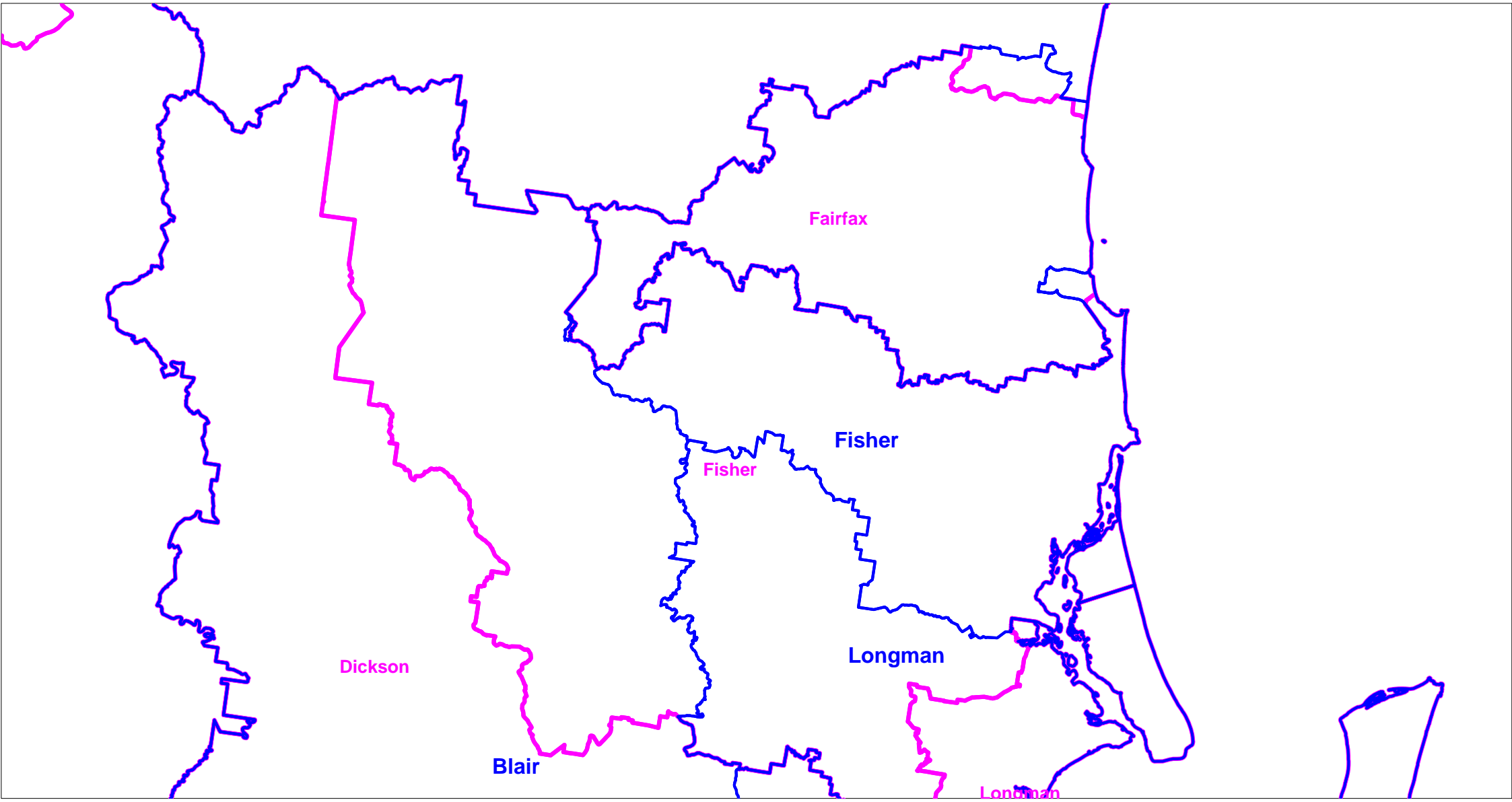


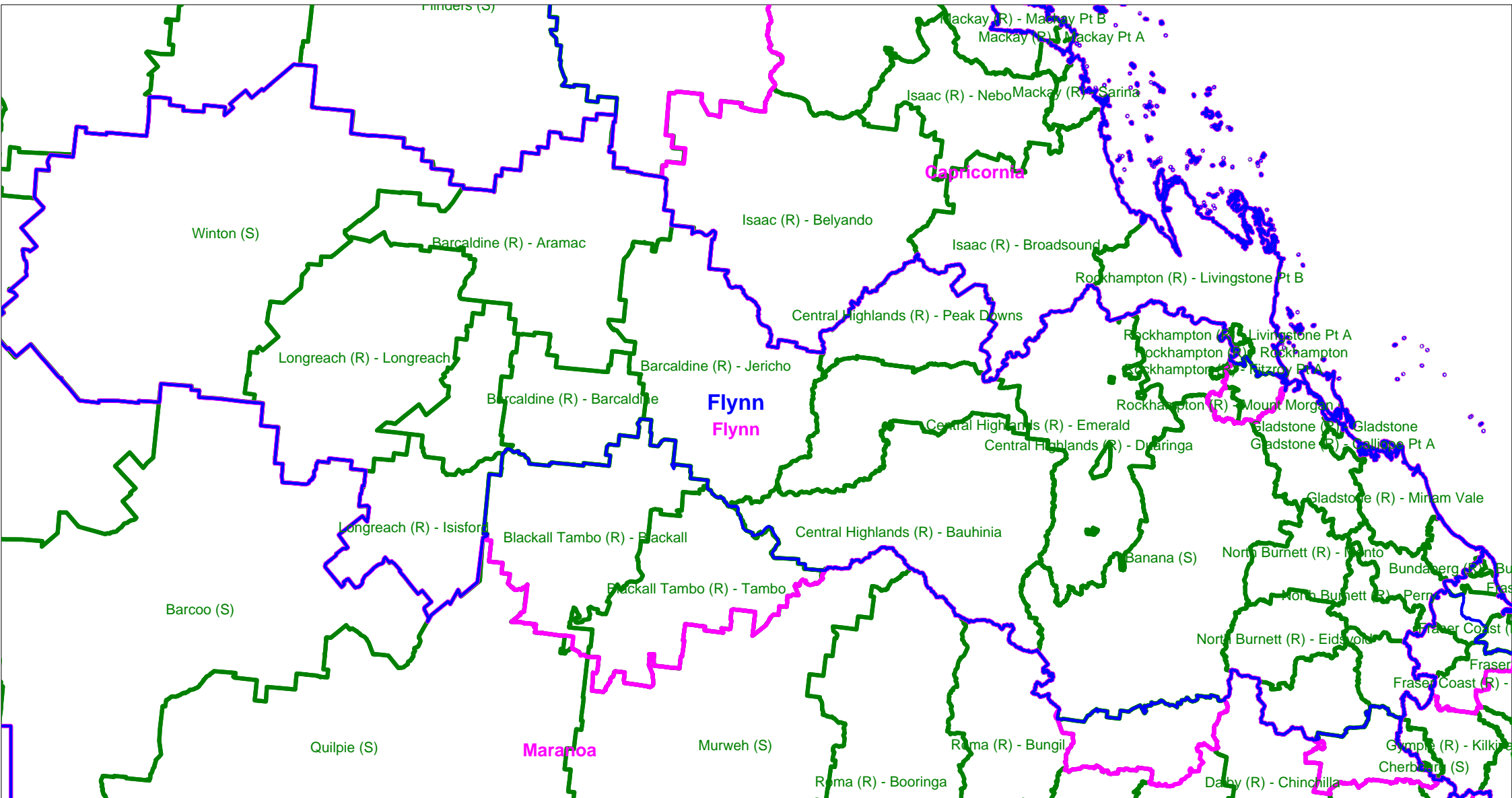


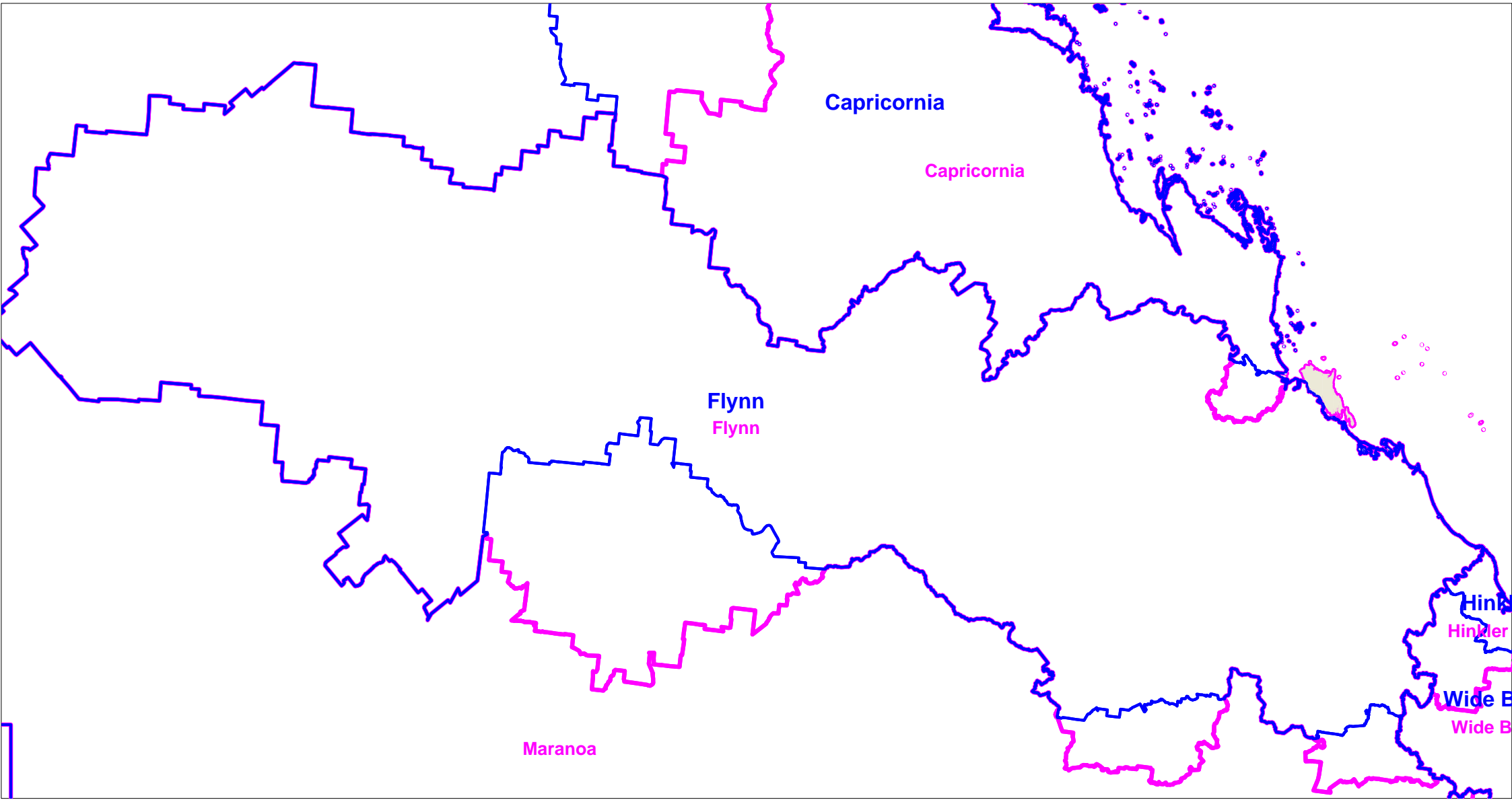












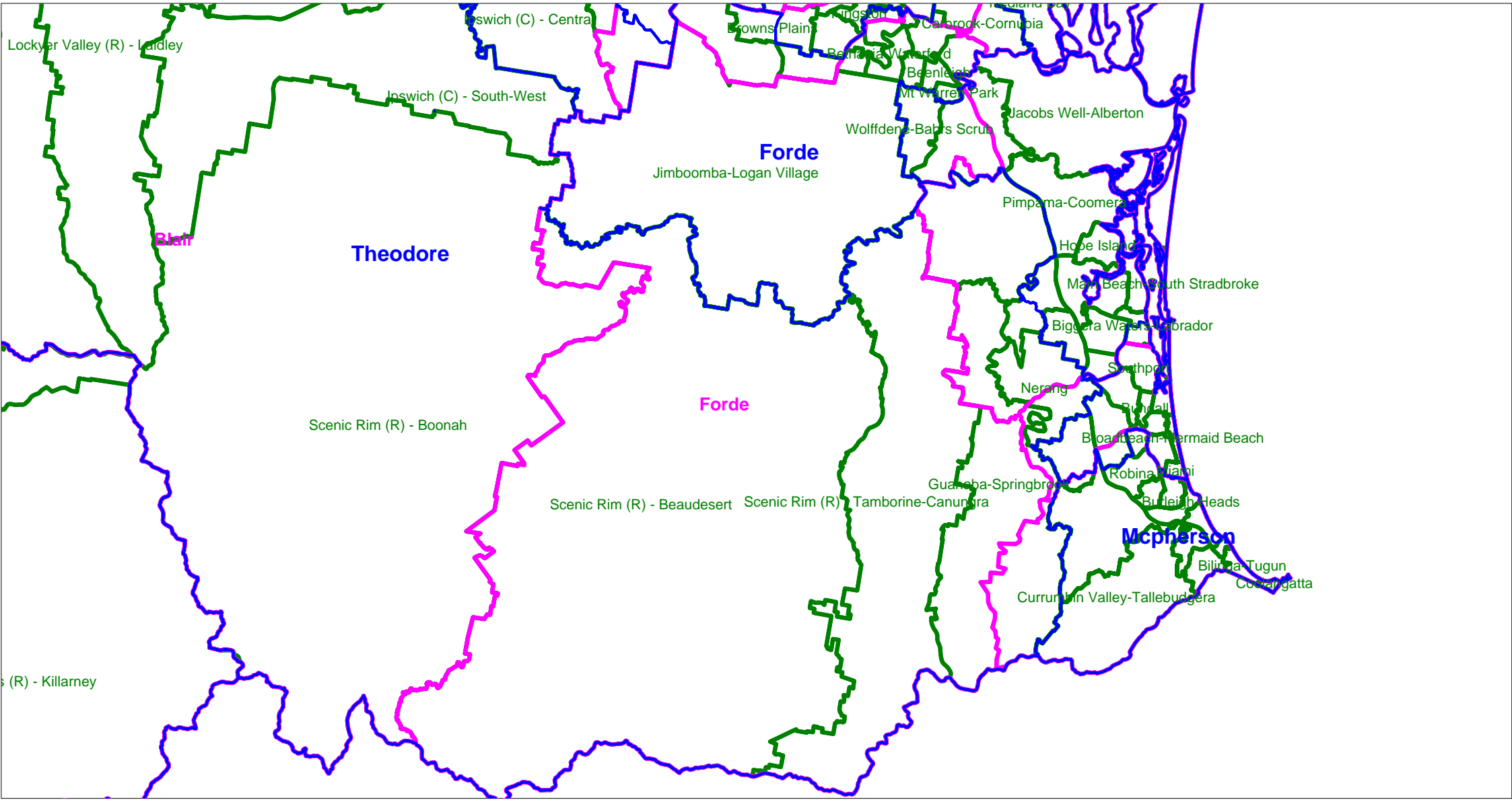
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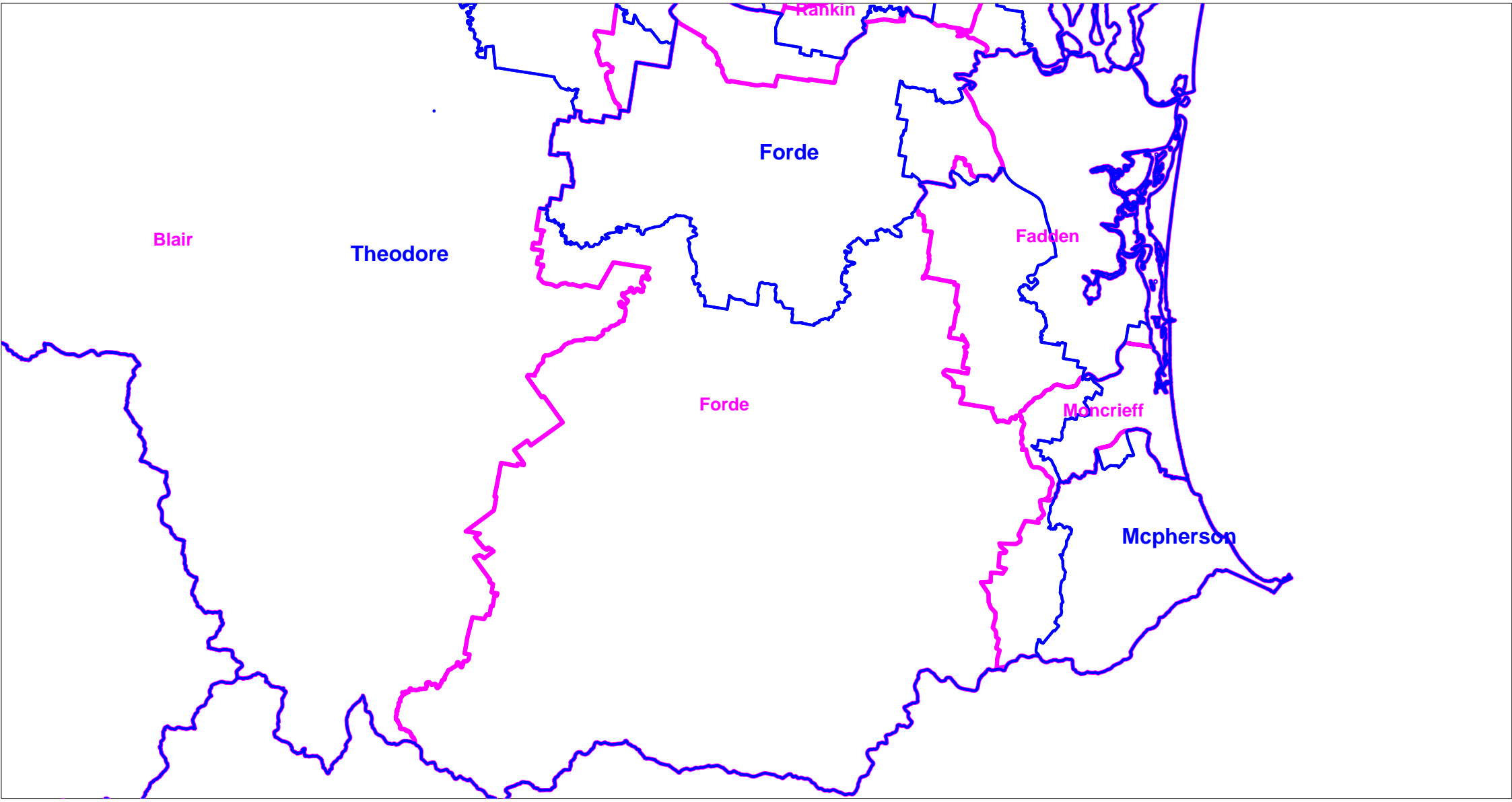
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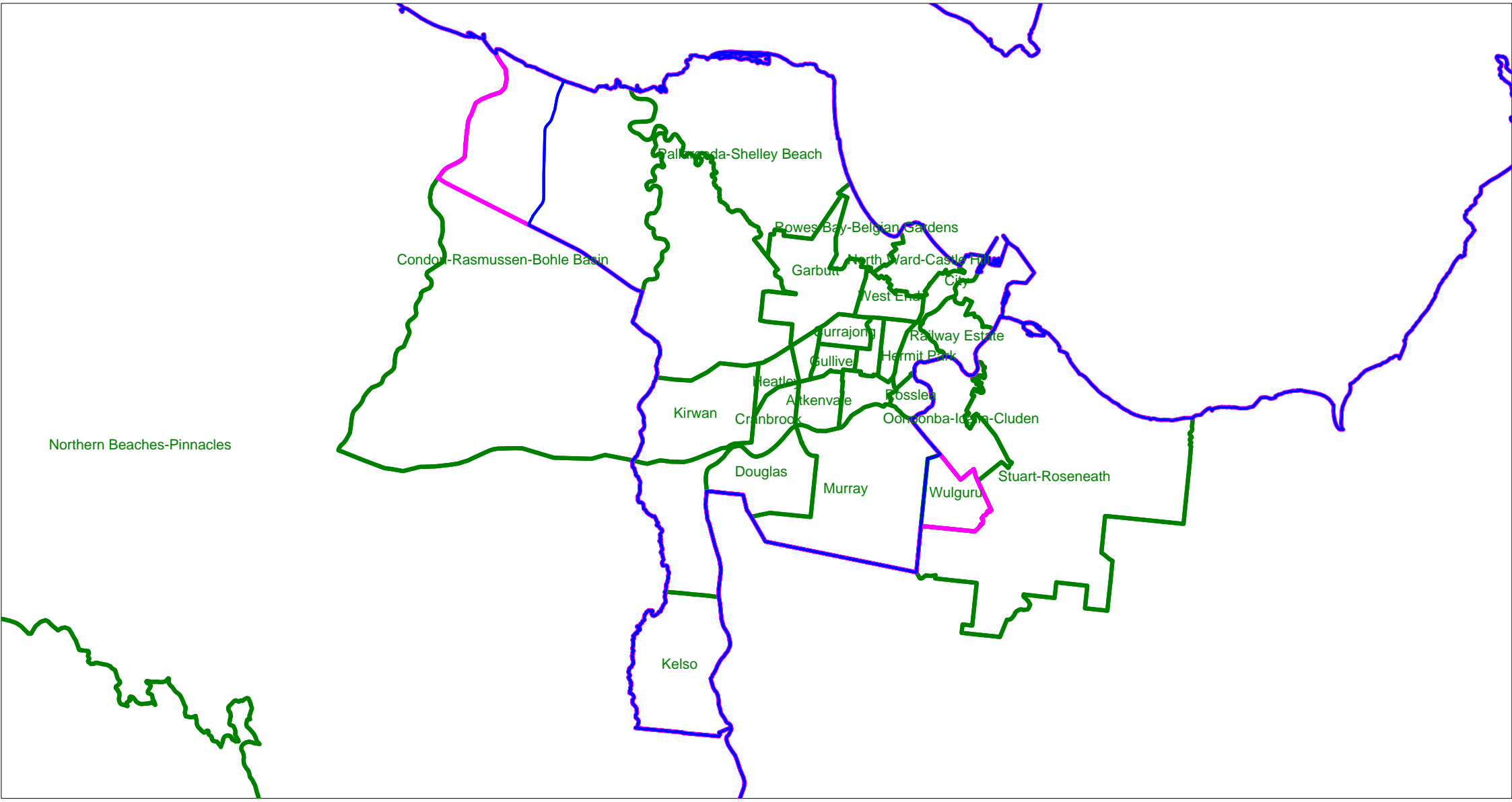
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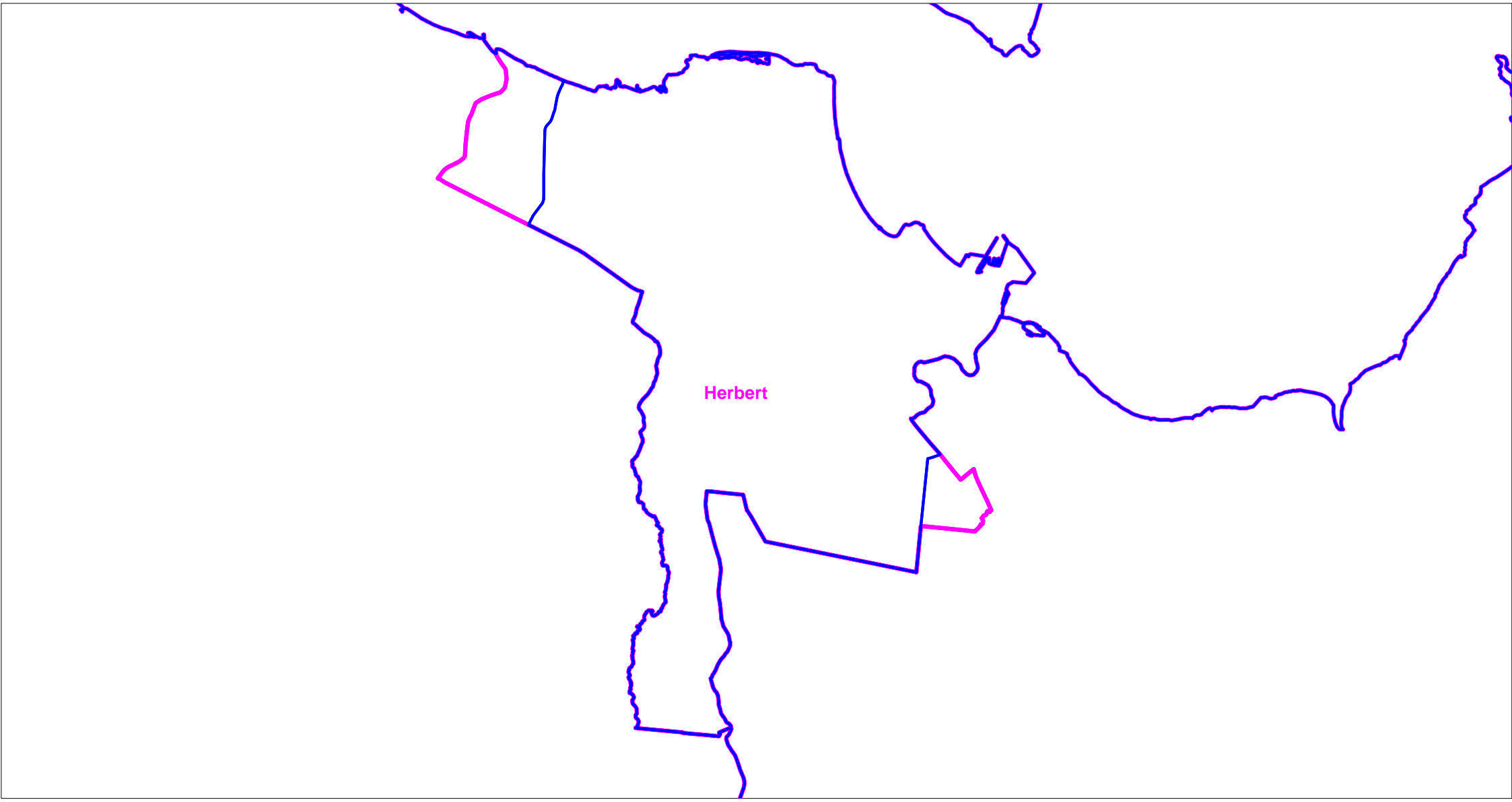
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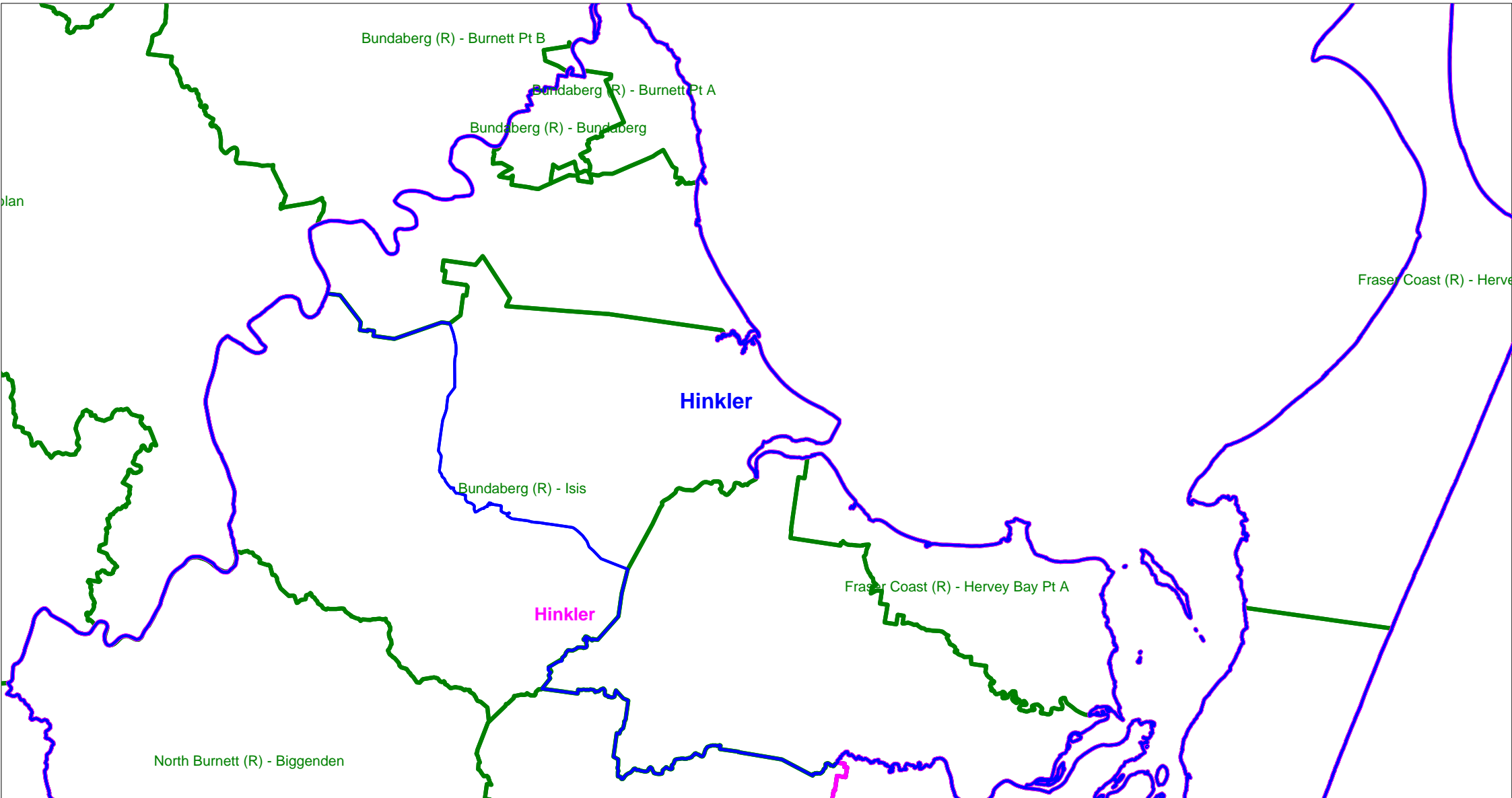
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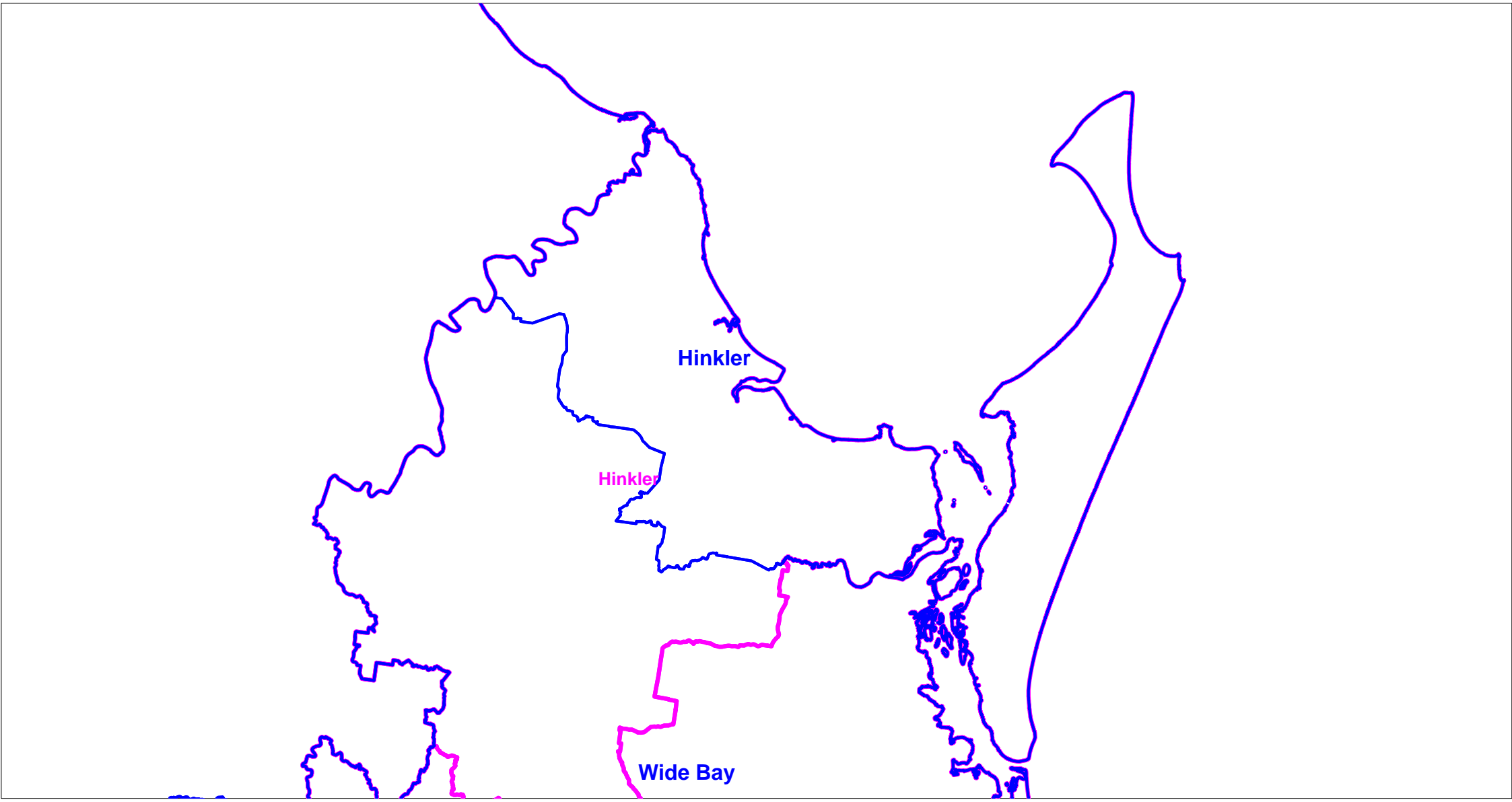








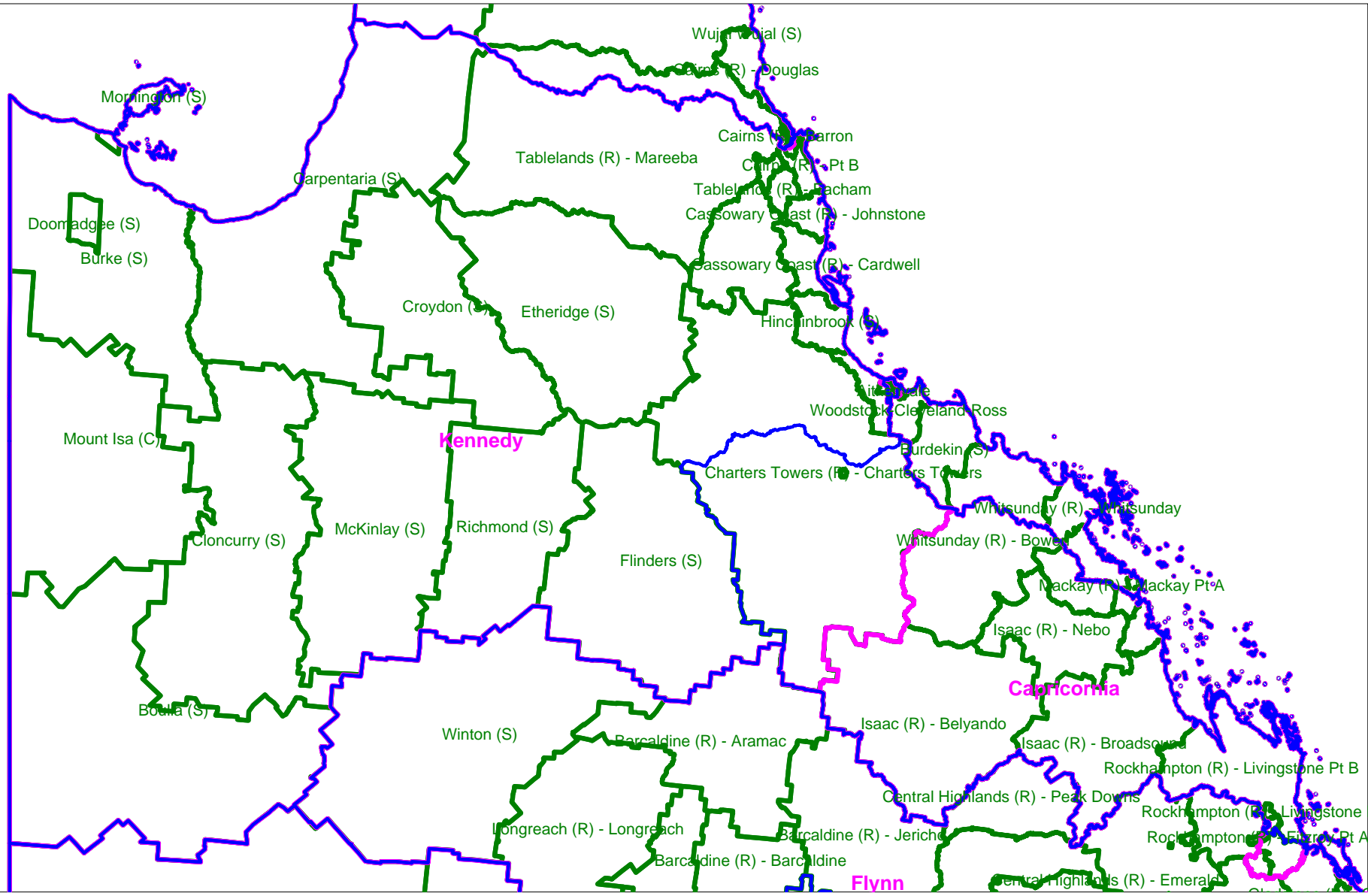


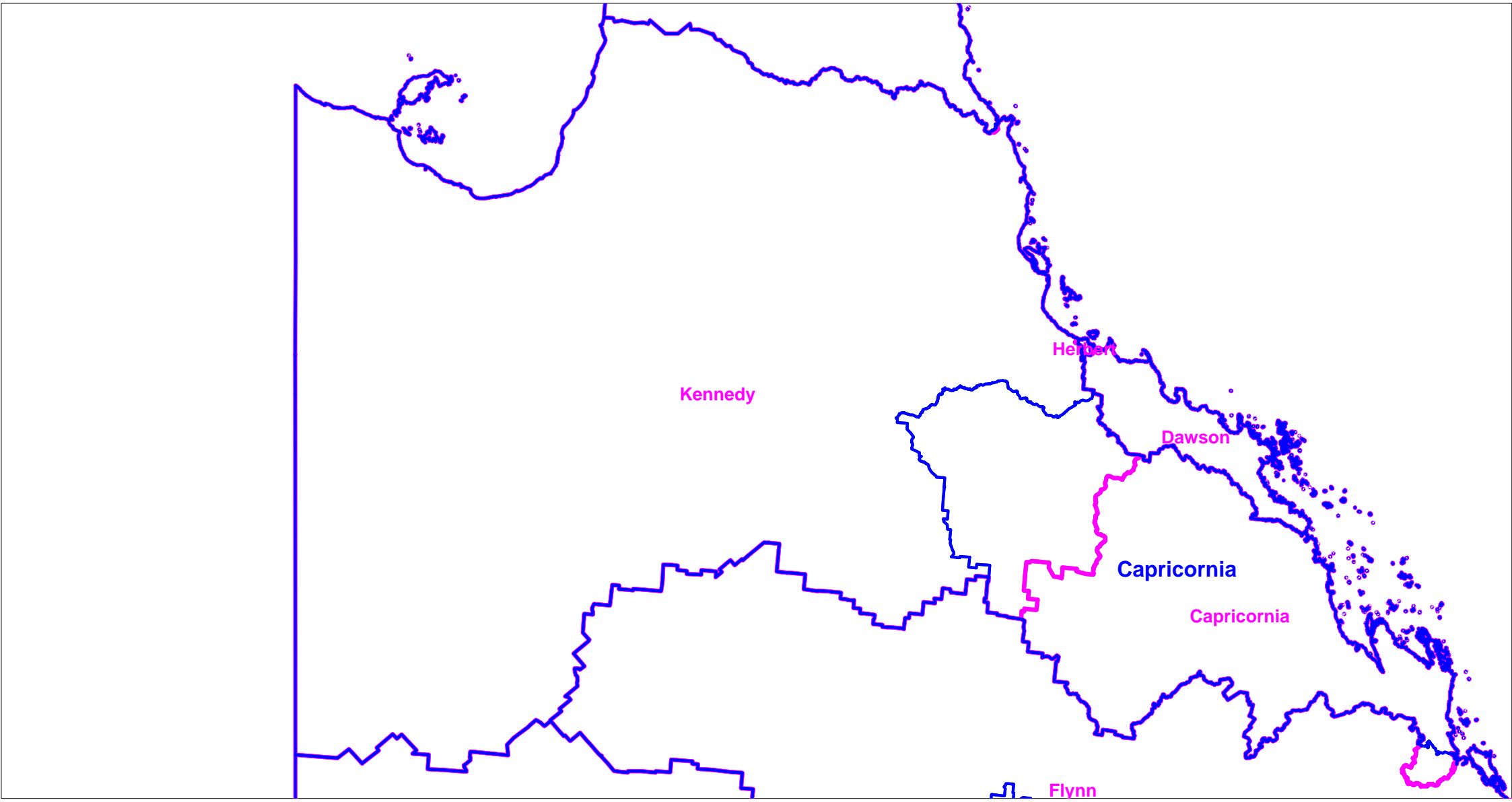


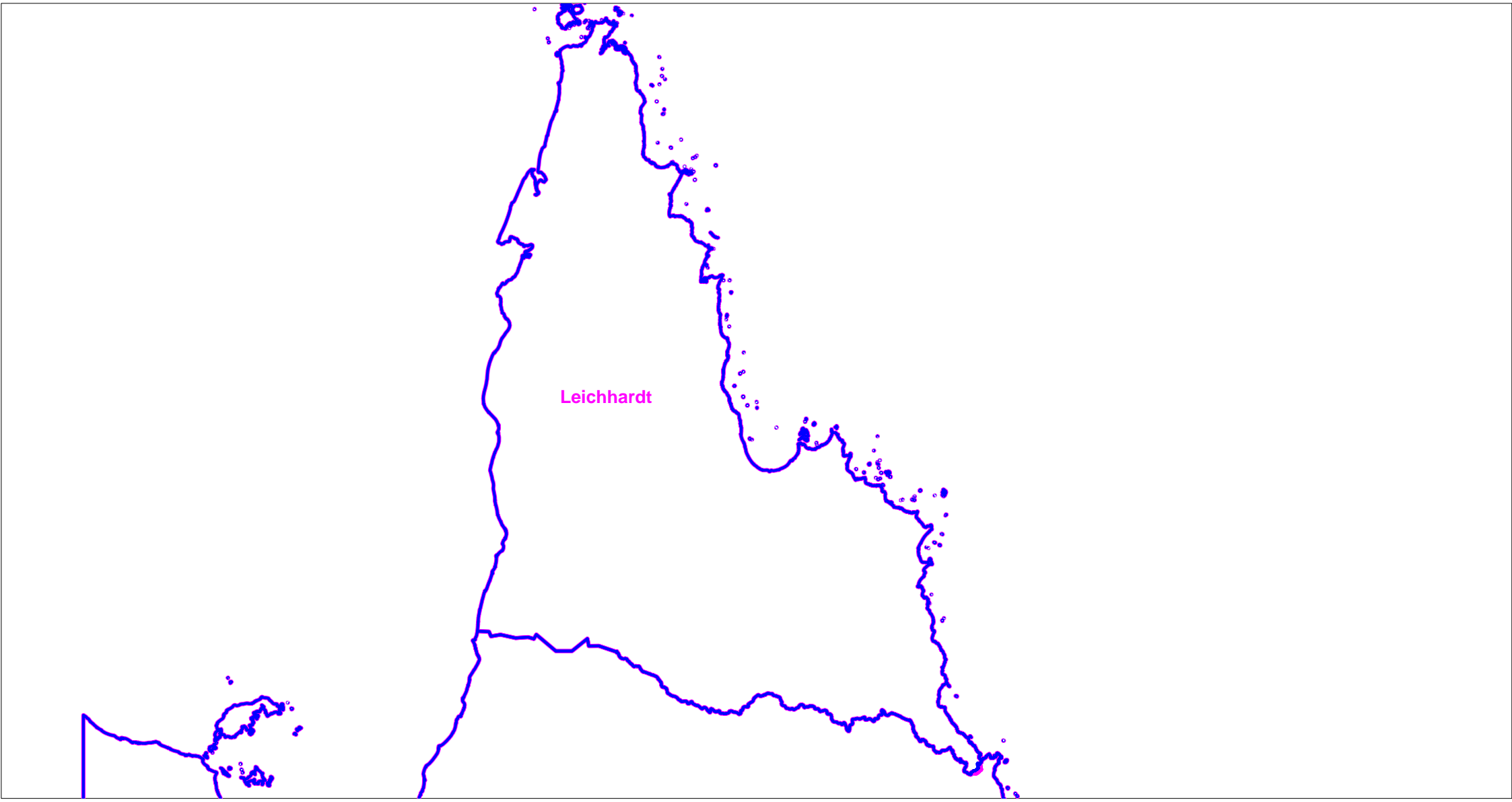
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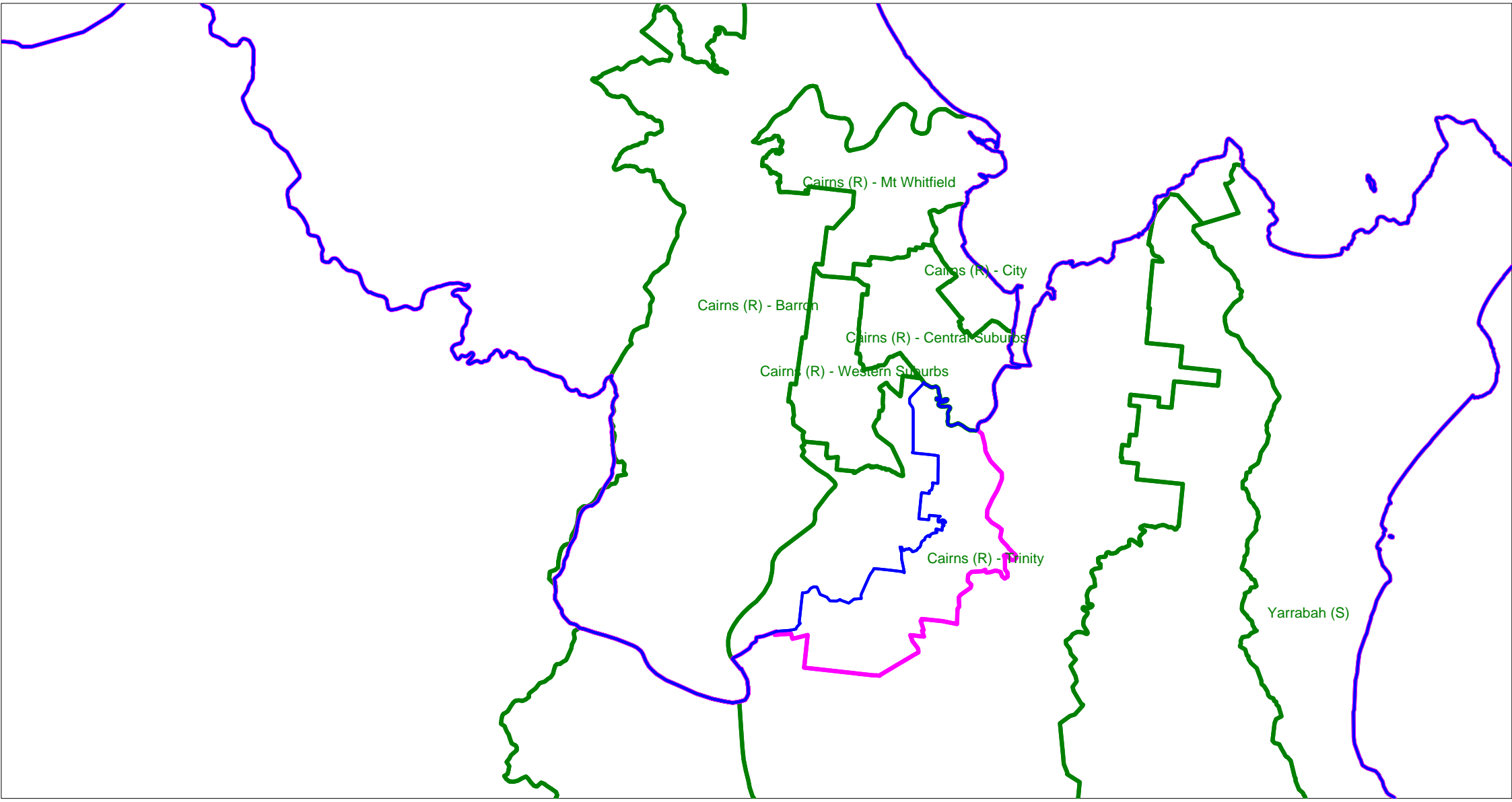
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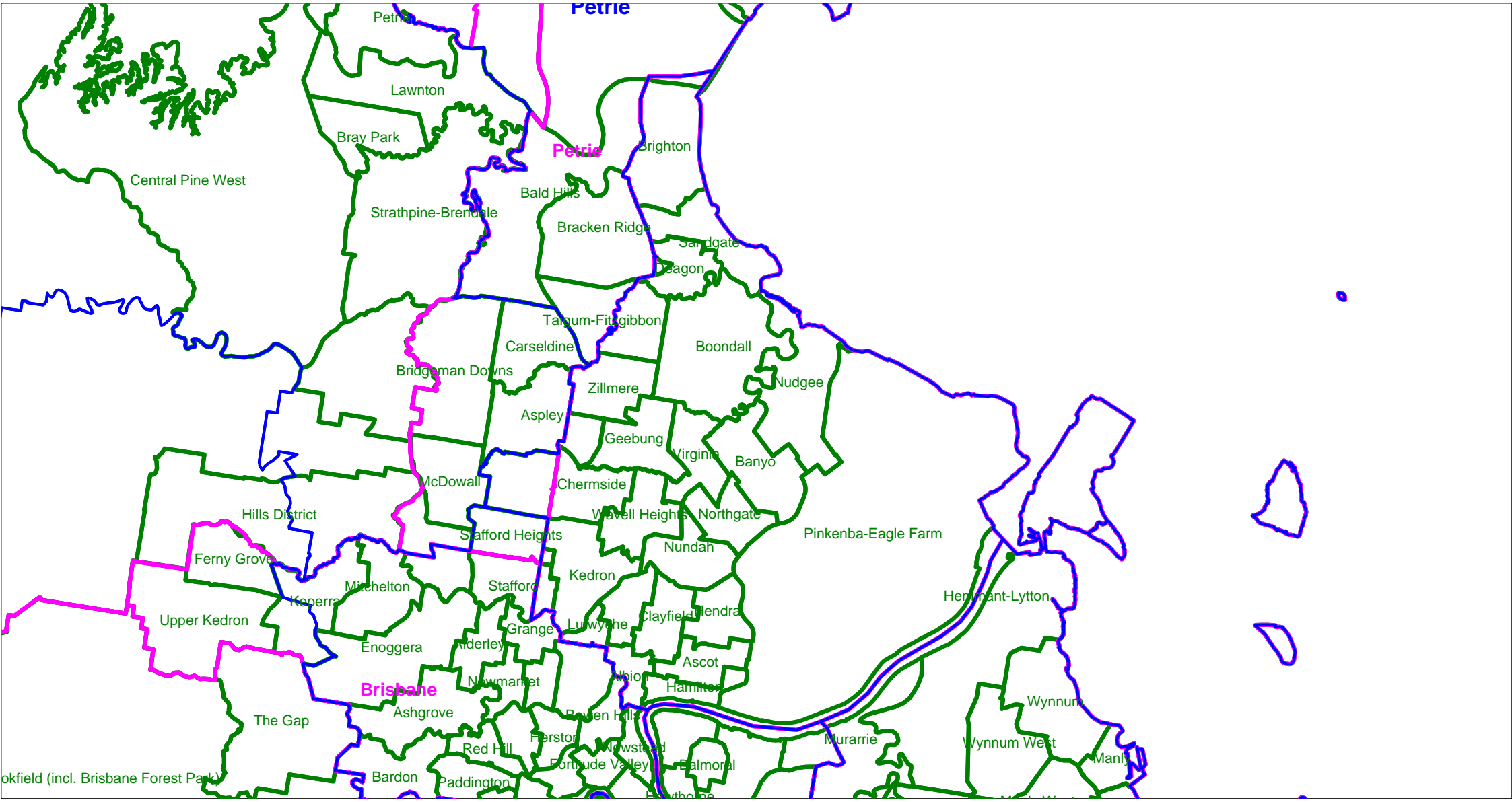
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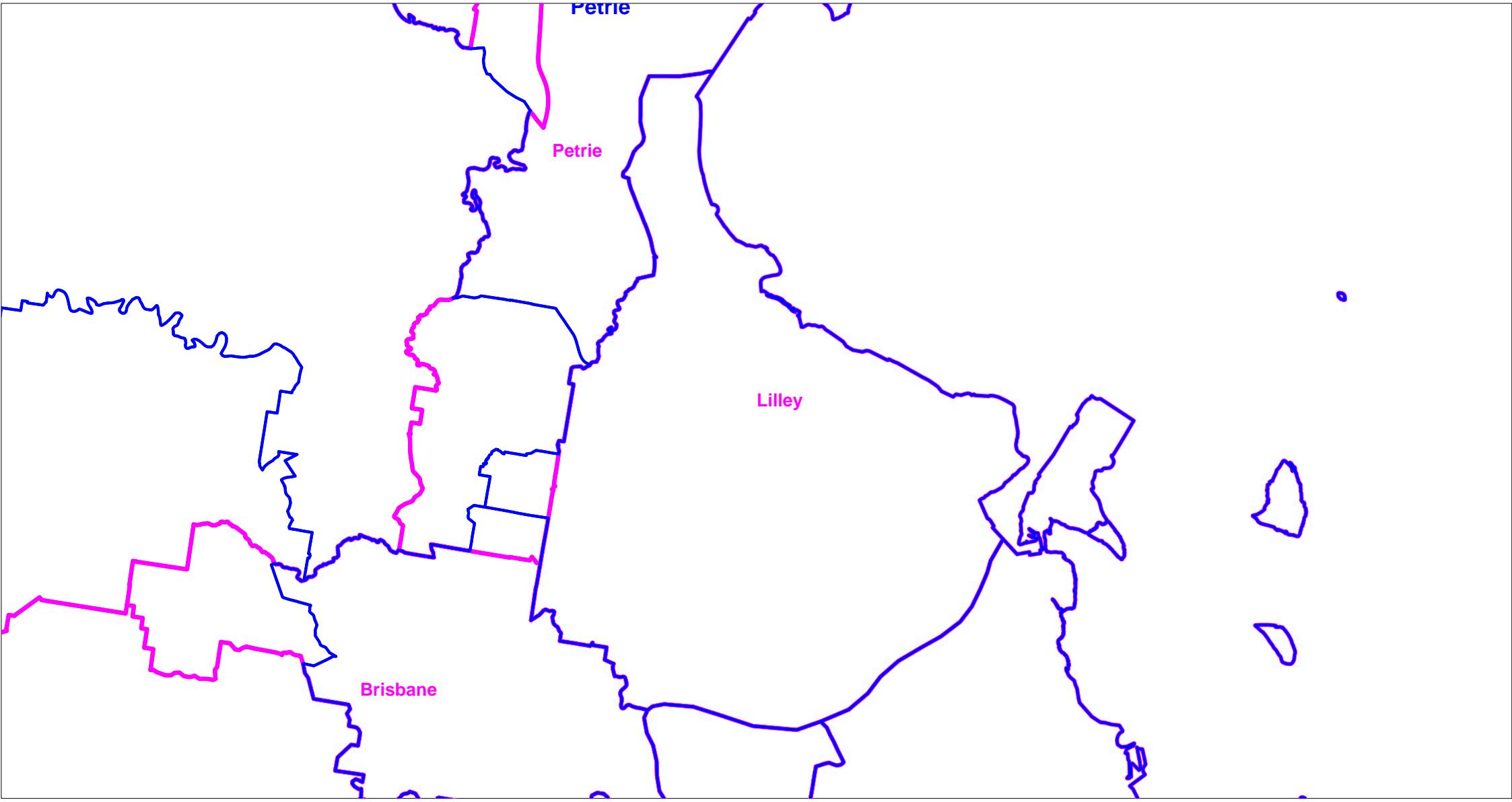


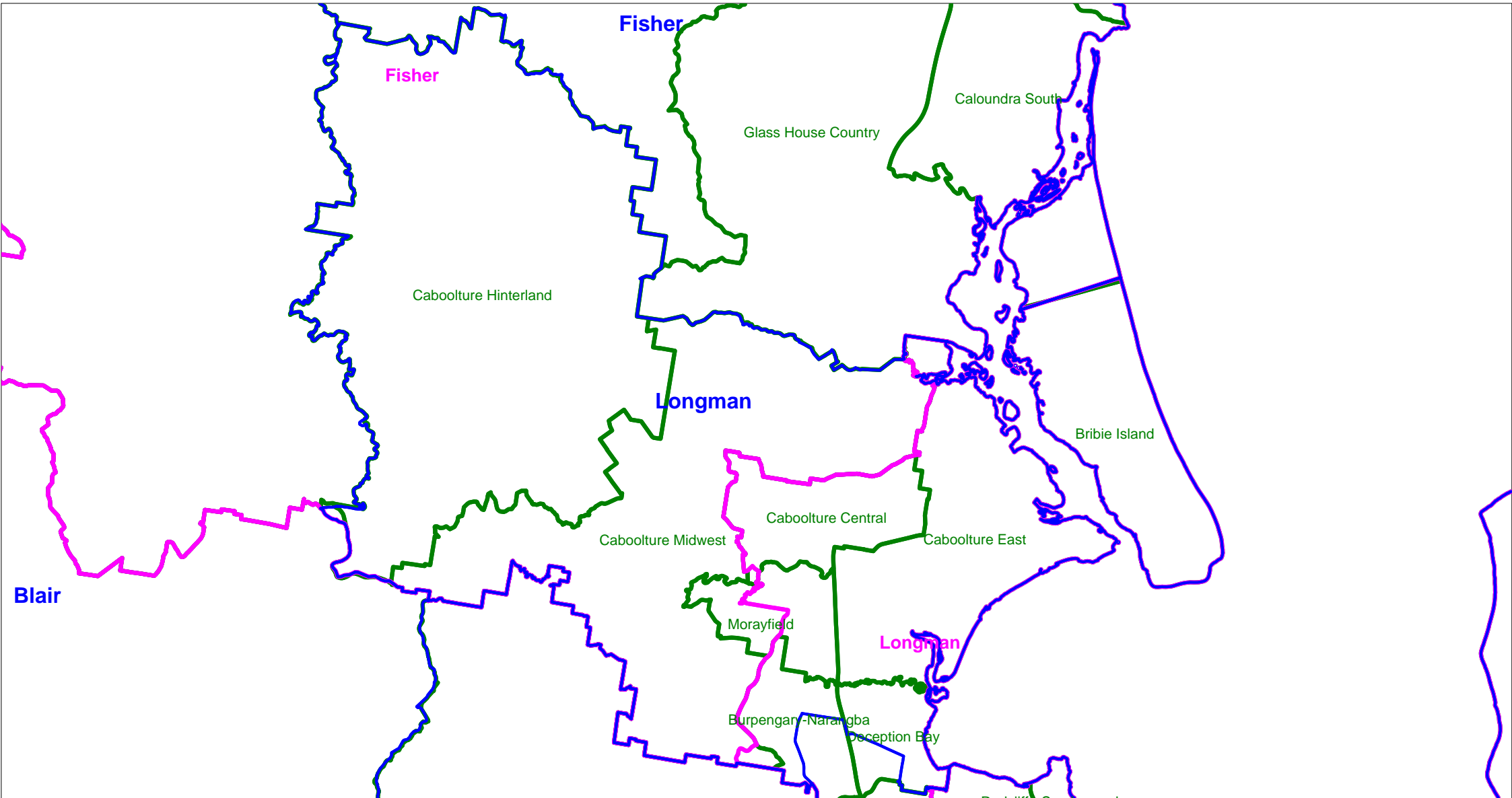


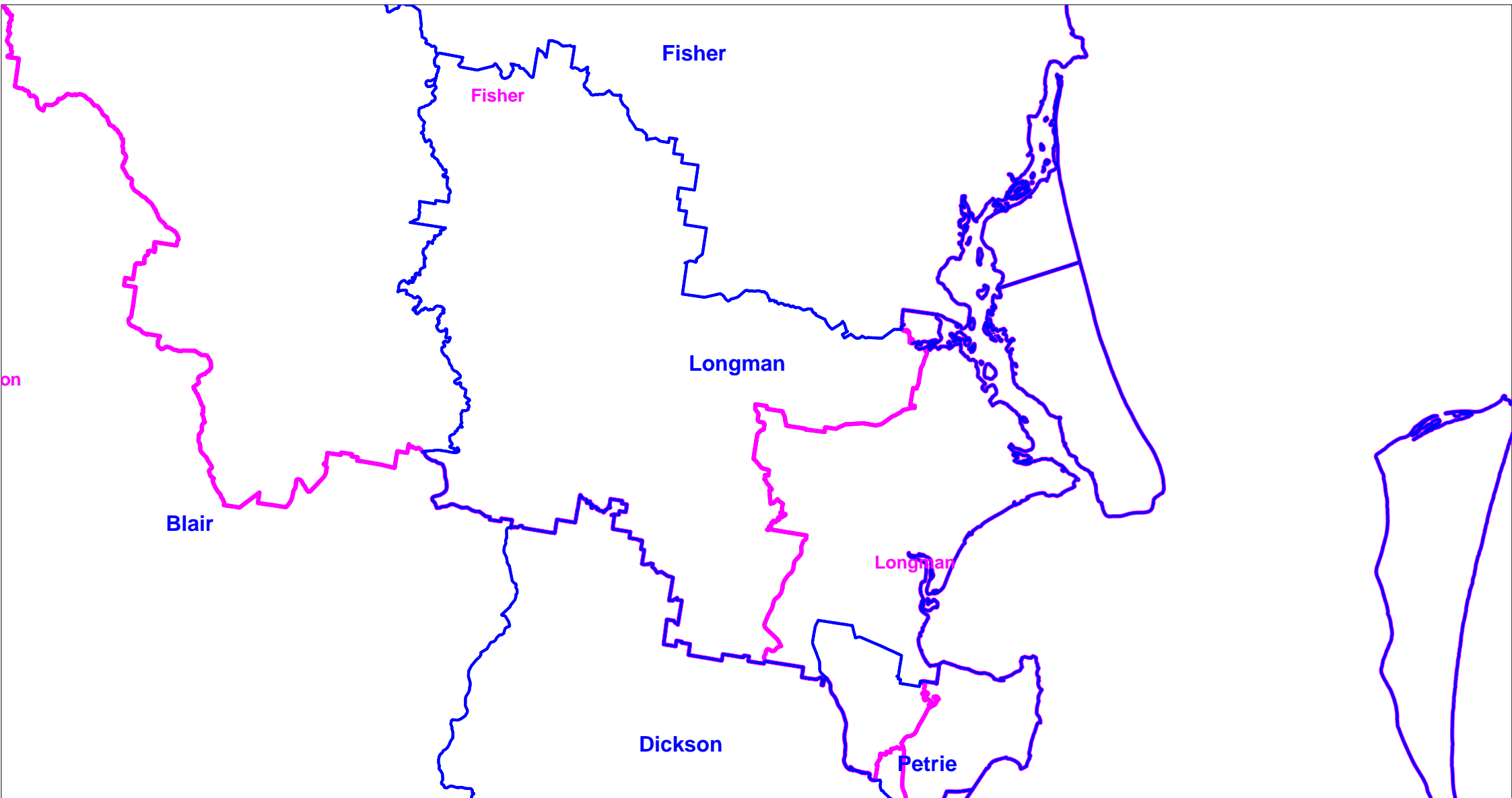


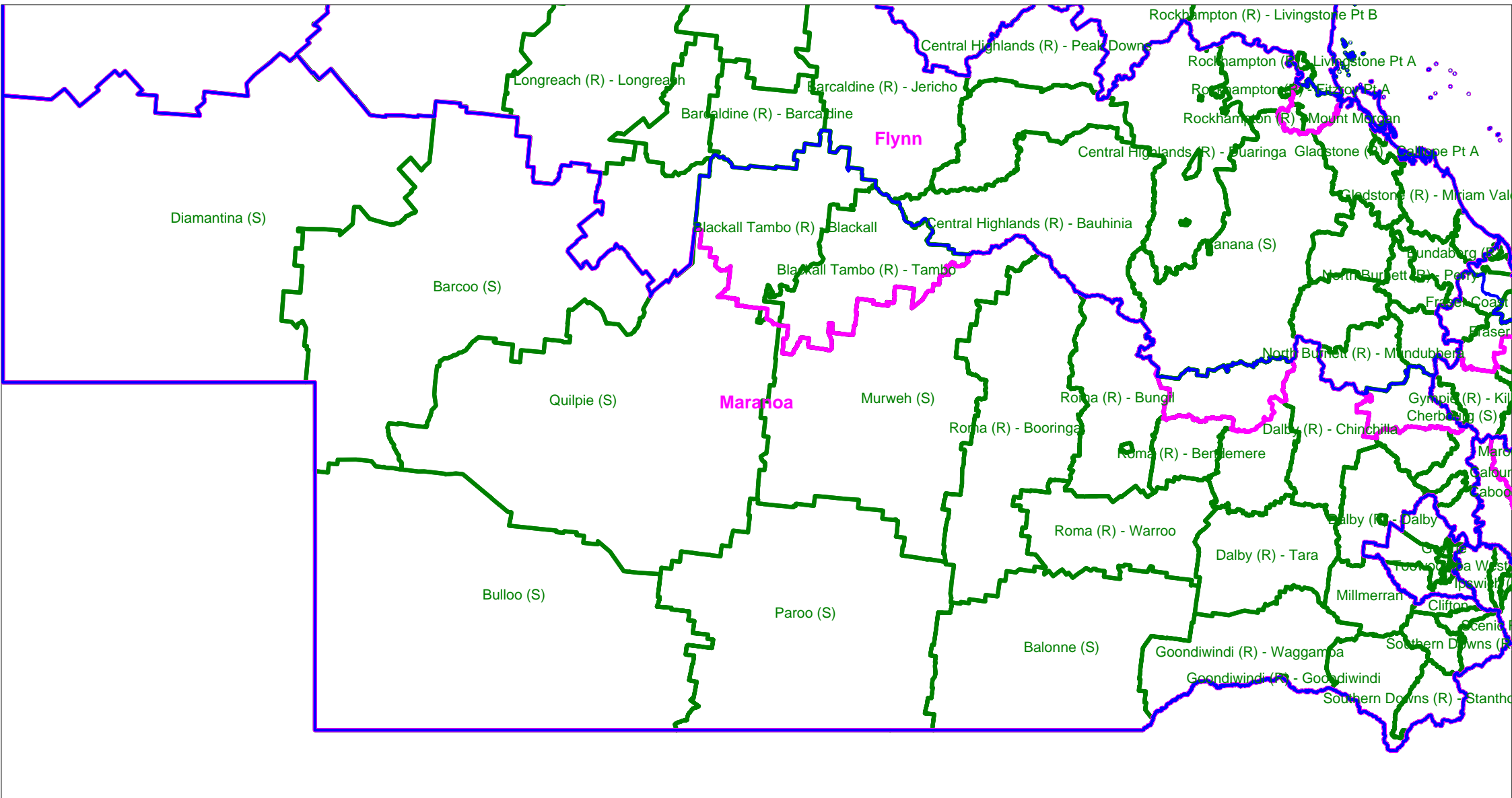




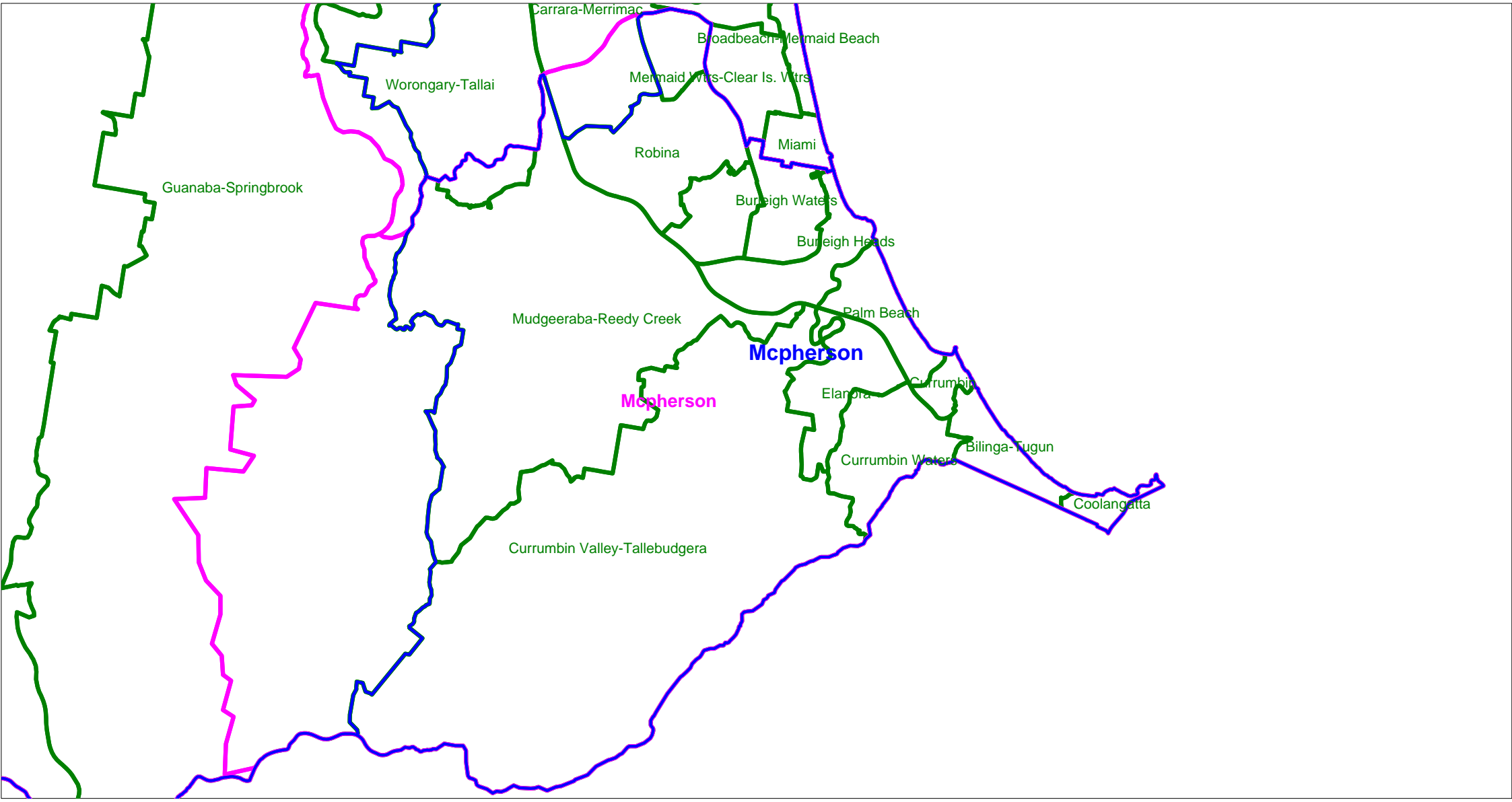


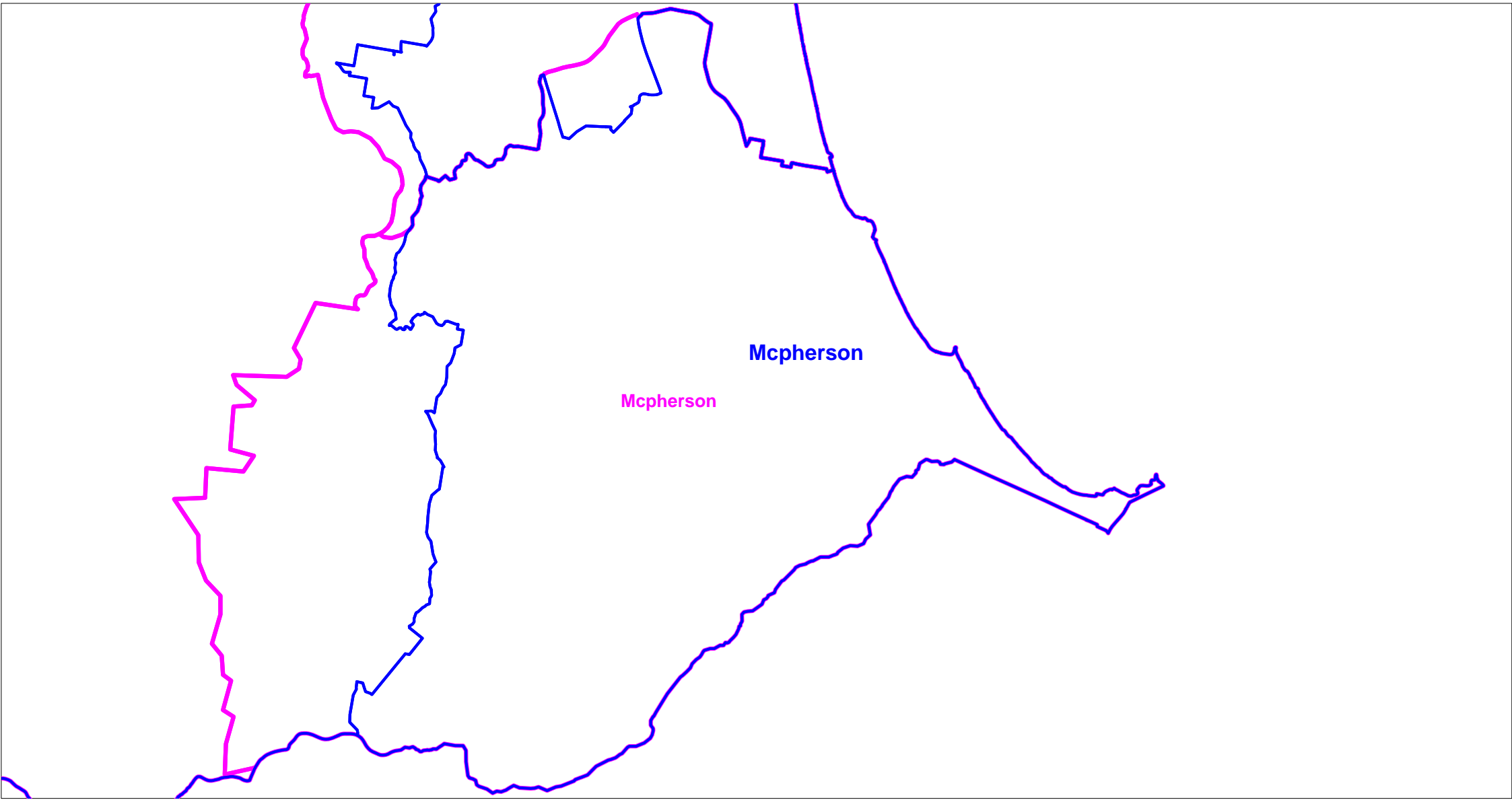


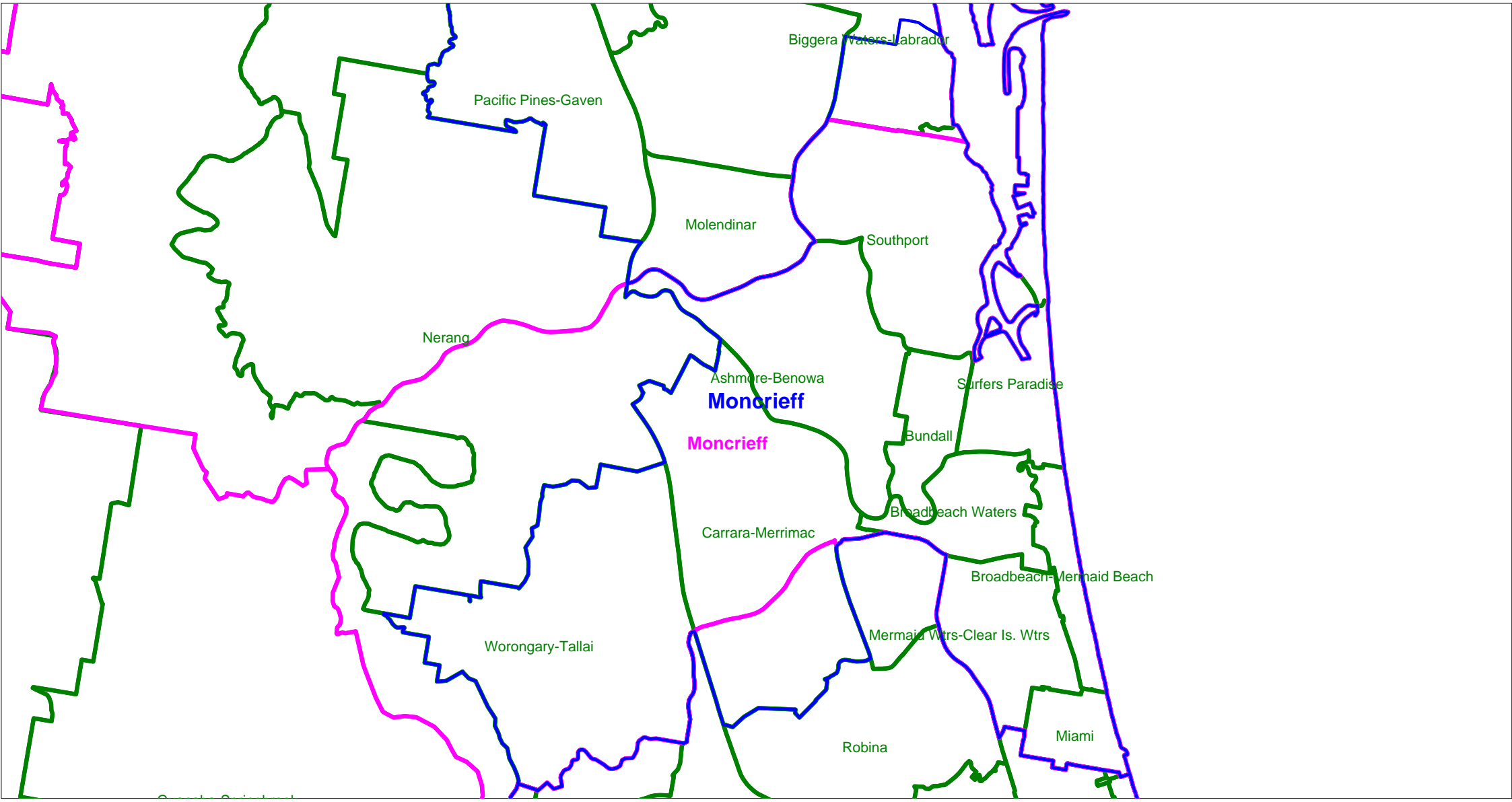


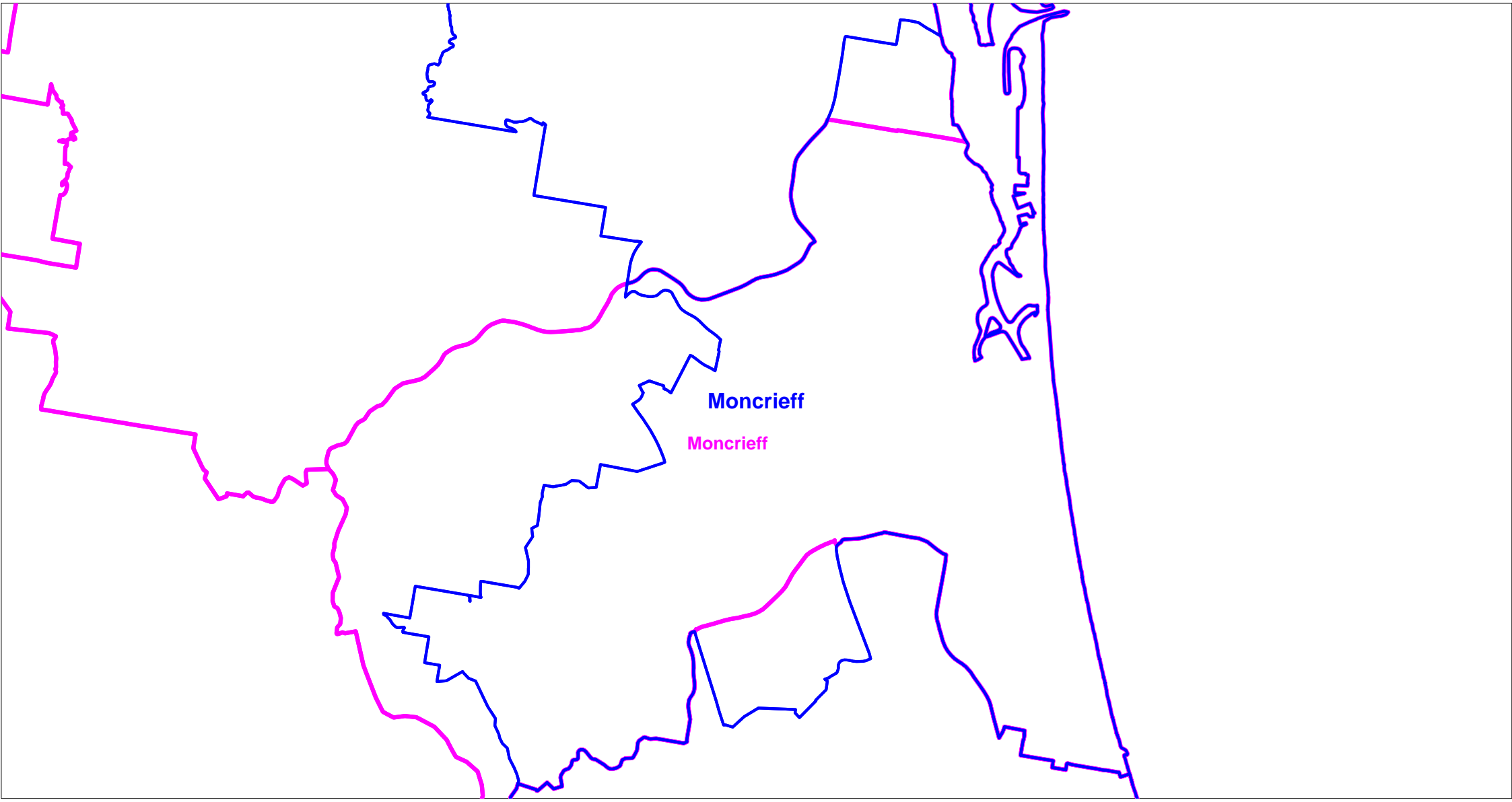


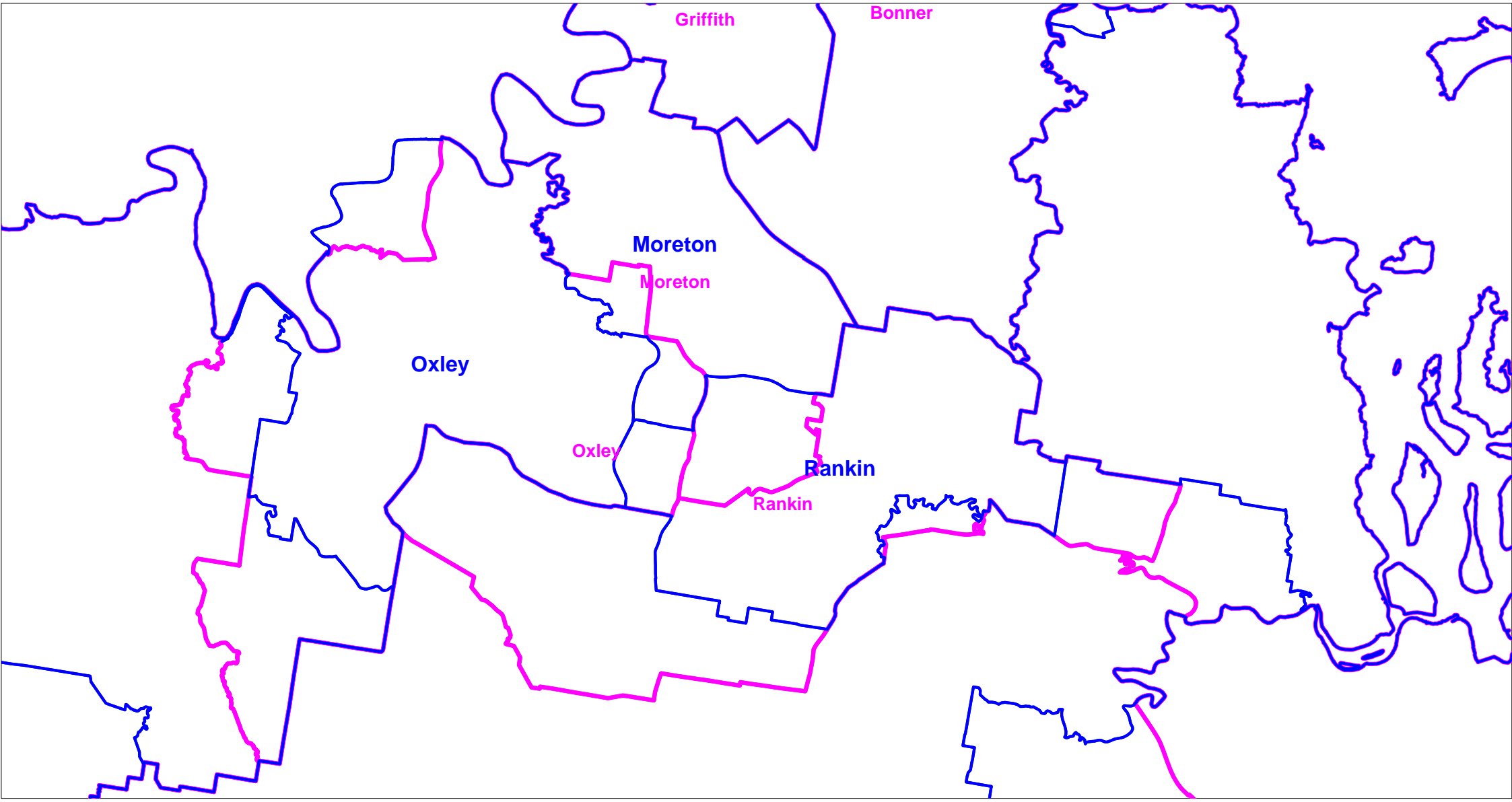












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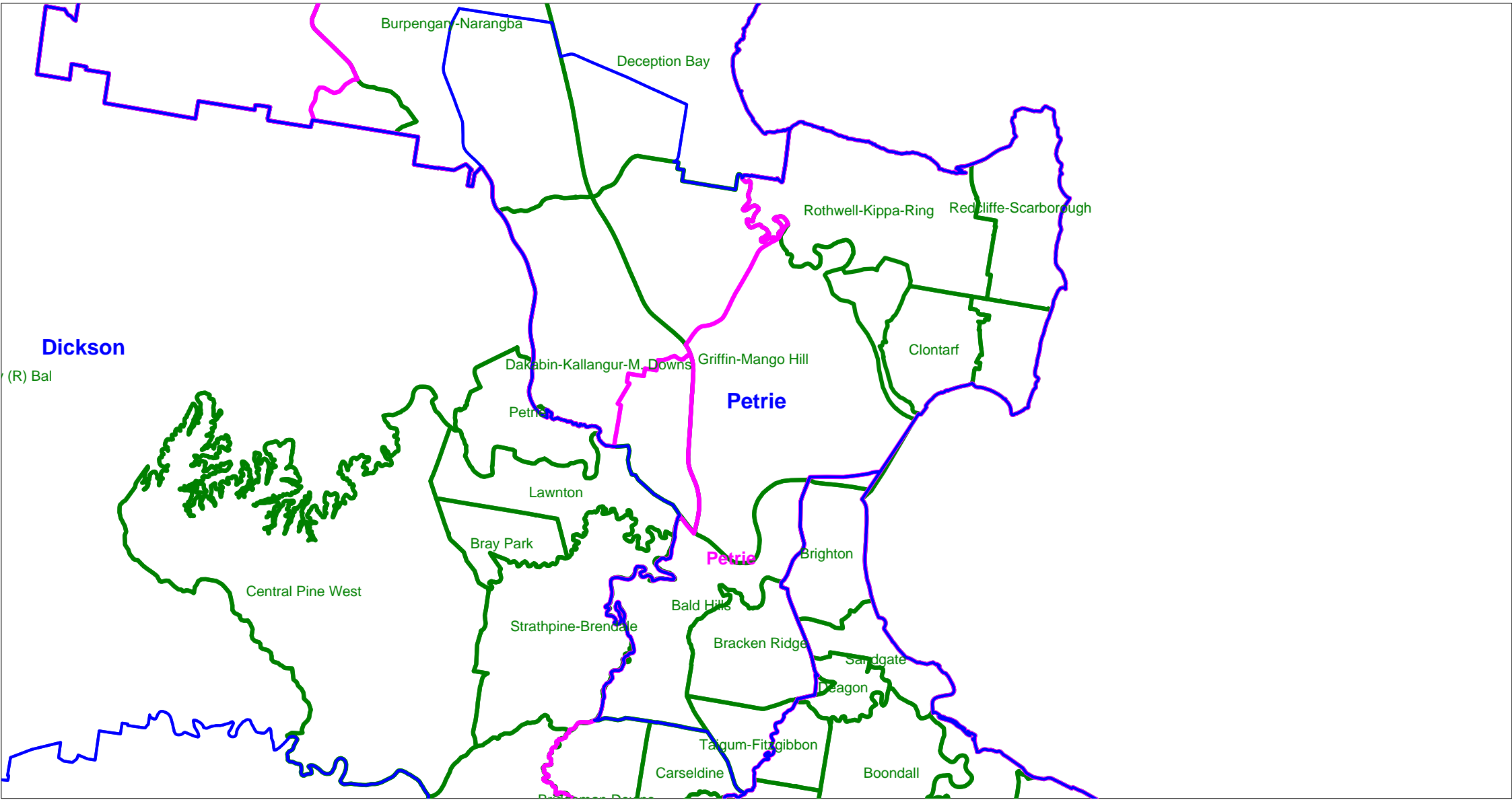
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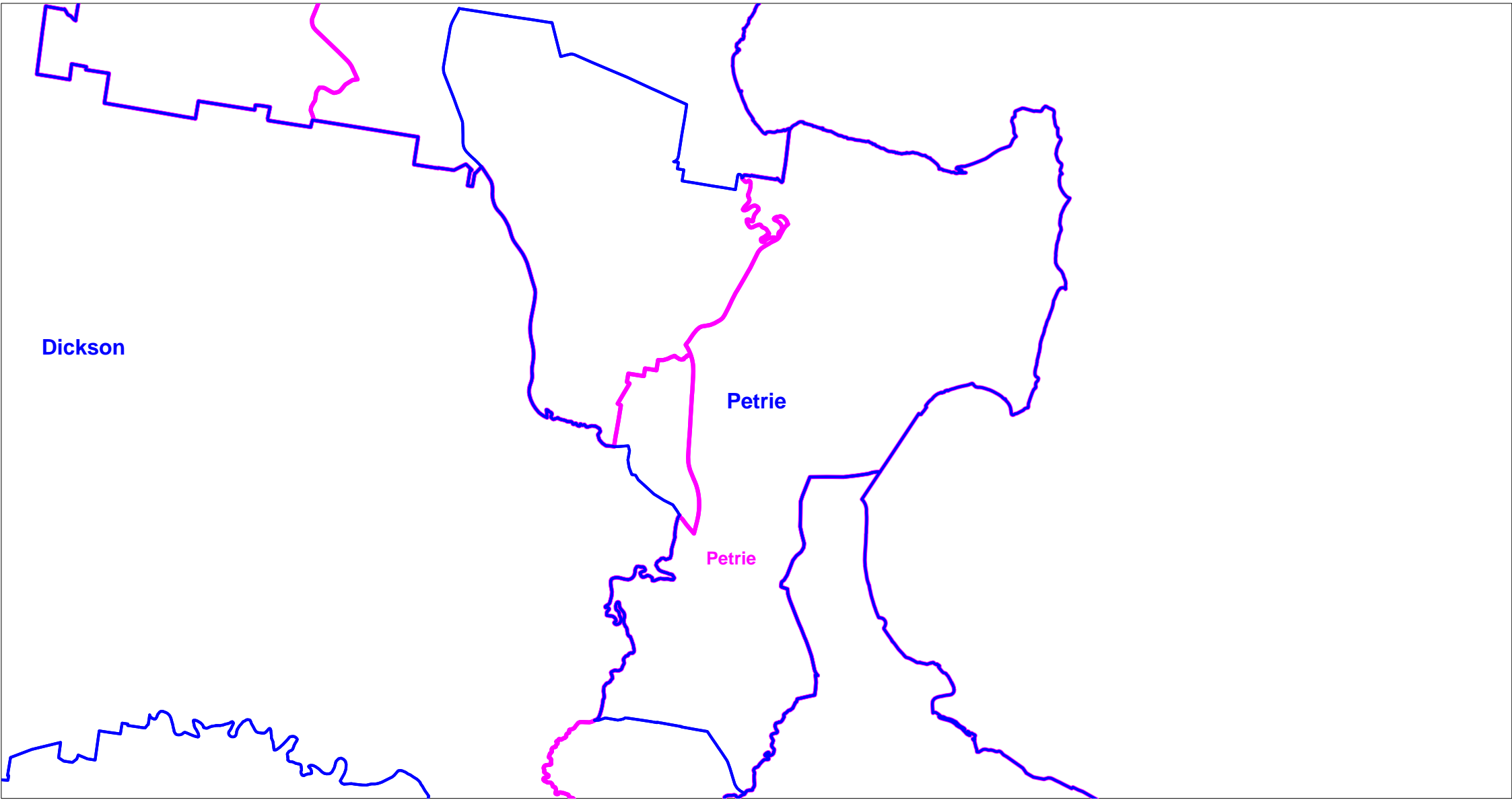
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