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To: FedRedistribution - SA

Subject: Don't let a creek cut our community in half!

Dear Australian Electoral Commission,

The suburb of Flagstaff Hill is currently in the federal electorate of Boothby. That's where I want it to stay.

My community identifies more with the Mitcham Hills and Adelaide Plains areas, which include suburbs like Blackwood and Marion, than it does with the far southern suburbs such as Noarlunga, Christies Beach, Hackham West and Morphett Vale in the federal electorate of Kingston.

My suburb shares much more community, retail and transport infrastructure with the rest of Boothby than I do with residents in the federal electorate of Kingston. I use Happy Valley Drive, Flagstaff Road, Marion Road and South Road to get to the city, or shopping precincts at Westfield Marion. I use Main Road through Blackwood to get to the city as well. I commute to train stations in Boothby that service the Belair Line.

I use Flinders Medical Centre which is located at Bedford Park in the heart of Boothby quite frequently and know a number of residents who work at this major hospital. These community mores of interest, travel, economic and social factors should be given much more weight by the Electoral Commission when deciding future boundaries than environmental features like the Sturt River.

With the Onkaparinga Council based so far away in Noarlunga, I want to retain access to my locally based Federal Member of Parliament in Boothby, rather than a Federal MP in Morphett Vale.

I object to the Commission's draft boundaries that will see our area moved out of Boothby, in many cases, for the first time in over 20 years.

Yours sincere	ely, John B	Beal