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I am making this submission to appeal to the commission to reconsider the decision for the boundary you have made for the Cook electorate which is dividing the town of Mareeba. I live at [REDACTED] and the boundary line you have designed is 500 meters from our home and will place us living in the Flinders Shire and working in the Cook Shire. We live 5klms from the main business center of Mareeba with the member for Cook's office in our electorate and well represented with the cohort of our neighbouring towns. The proposal to remove my home from this electorate and place us under Flinders is ludicrous to state the least and shows how little knowledge or consideration has gone into this line drawing exercise from the commission to cut us off from our neighbors who live 500 metres down the road and place us with a member who will live in Mt Isa and have vast differences for our economy to their grazing and mining region.

A commonsense approach would have seen the town of Mareeba remain in the Cook shire and not cause division that you are proposing or have already made a decision on.