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Dear Queensland Redistribution Commission,

I wish to lodge a formal submission opposing the proposed inclusion of Eli Waters, Dundowran, and Dundowran Beach in the Maryborough electorate. Based on established planning frameworks, infrastructure networks, and projected growth patterns, these suburbs should remain within their current electoral division.

1. Functional Urban Area & Service Catchment Alignment

These suburbs fall within the recognised Hervey Bay Functional Urban Area. Indicators include:

- Hospital, education, emergency service, and retail catchments centred on Hervey Bay
- Commuting patterns that flow eastward into Hervey Bay
- Integrated labour market and economic activity zones

Reassigning these suburbs to Maryborough would create a boundary inconsistent with the region's functional geography.

2. Infrastructure Integration

Infrastructure networks for these suburbs are designed and managed as part of Hervey Bay's system:

- Road upgrades and traffic modelling for the Eli Waters–Dundowran corridor support Hervey Bay's growth
- Water, sewerage, and utility networks are integrated with Hervey Bay's service grid
- Emergency response zones and community facilities are aligned with Hervey Bay's operational footprint

These networks do not align with Maryborough's service environment.

3. Growth Projections & Strategic Development

The suburbs in question form a key component of Hervey Bay's westward expansion strategy:

- Active residential subdivision approvals
- Planned medium-density infill
- Long-term strategic land releases identified in local planning schemes

These growth patterns reinforce the suburbs' connection to Hervey Bay and will intensify over the next decade.

4. Community of Interest

The Commission's criteria emphasise maintaining communities of interest. These suburbs share:

- Social, recreational, and cultural ties with Hervey Bay
- School catchments and sporting associations based in Hervey Bay
- Local government service delivery patterns that treat them as part of the Hervey Bay community cluster

Transferring them to Maryborough would divide a cohesive community.

5. Representation Efficiency

Residents of these suburbs face coastal-growth issues aligned with Hervey Bay, not the inland-regional profile of Maryborough. Splitting these communities would reduce representational clarity and create competing priorities within the electorate.

In conclusion

For the reasons outlined above — including functional urban alignment, infrastructure integration, growth projections, and community-of-interest considerations — I respectfully request that the Commission retain Eli Waters, Dundowran, and Dundowran Beach within their current electorate.

Kind regards,

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