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Good morning,

I would like to suggest renaming the current Scenic Rim electorate to Wyaralong. Wyaralong Dam is a central and widely recognised feature of the region, and using this name would avoid the tension that can arise when an electorate is named after a specific town.

This issue was evident when the electorate was previously called Beaudesert, with residents from Boonah and Tamborine Mountain expressing dissatisfaction as the name did not reflect their communities. However, retaining the name Scenic Rim has also presented challenges, as the boundaries of the Scenic Rim Regional Council and the Scenic Rim electorate do not align, leading to confusion for constituents.

For these reasons, a name change is warranted. However, I do not believe 'Beaudesert' is the most suitable option. I encourage the committee to consider Wyaralong as a more inclusive and representative name for the electorate.