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Electoral District: Bancroft; Caloundra; Cooper; Everton; Ferny

Grove; Glass House; Ipswich; Ipswich West; Kurwongbah; Maiwar; Moggill; Morayfield;

Murrumba; Pine Rivers; Pumicestone

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This comment mainly deals with electoral boundaries, some of which have not been drawn in a way that reflects community connections. For instance, with Ferny Grove, including The Gap and not all of Ferny Hills and Arana Hills is slightly disingenuous given that the main community connection with The Gap is with Ashgrove, both of which are in Cooper presently. In addition, Ferny Hills and Arana Hills are in the Ferny Grove and Mitchelton SHS catchment, both in Ferny Grove electorate. In fact, the Samford Valley, currently in Pine Rivers would fit better in Ferny Grove as Samford is inside the Ferny Grove SHS catchment and the closest major shops are in Ferny Grove or Everton. This would put Ferny Grove back in quota. Related to Pine Rivers, Mount Mee and Delaney's Creek should not be included in it as they have never been in Pine Rivers Shire and share their school catchments with Caboolture and Woodford. Both should be in the proposed electorate of Caboolture. Bray Park and Lawnton and parts of Strathpine, which would go into Kurwongbah do not fit there and instead fit within Pine Rivers, again due to catchment and community connection reasons. Both Kurwongbah and Murrumba will be overquota. While it is justified to remove Burpengary and put it into Morayfield so that Caboolture can be accommodated, it is hard for geographic reasons for Narangba, Petrie, and parts of Kallangur to not be in the same electorate. This should be the territory of Kurwongbah. To compensate, Murrumba would instead gain Rothwell from the seat of Deception Bay, presumably a replacement for Bancroft. Bancroft/Deception Bay should be largely unaltered from its current boundaries as it is within quota. However, Burpengary East does not make sense in Pumicestone as there is no direct transport, schooling, or retail connection with the main part of Pumicestone. Pumicestone should see only minor alterations as it is projected to stay within quota.

In the Sunshine Coast, Glass House could potentially absorb Bells Creek from Caloundra as that area could see future growth and there is a geographic boundary.

To the south of The Gap, Cooper/Victoria Park could be adjusted so that it does not include any area in Newmarket or Wilston as they are north of Enoggera Creek and Enoggera Road. While the areas in southern Alderley and Enoggera could stay in the new electorate, Milton and Auchenflower do not fit as they share transport links with Maiwar, especially with the Ipswich line and the UQ at St Lucia. Maiwar/Indooroopilly, instead of gaining Chelmer and Graceville, should instead gain Auchenflower and Toowong and lose Fig Tree Pocket to



Moggill. This will keep both in quota and Fig Tree Pocket is closely connected to Moggill, being in the Kenmore SHS catchment. Moggill should not gain Karalee and Chuwar from Ipswich West as both suburbs sit outside of Brisbane City Council. Furthermore, the inclusion of Fernvale and Harrisville and the exclusion of North Ipswich and Tivoli make little sense for Ipswich West as Fernvale and Harrisville are both outside council boundaries. However, Ipswich West could still lose areas around Rosewood and Marburg to stay in quota. North Ipswich and Tivoli should stay in Ipswich West as the Bremer River acts as a natural boundary.

In Summary, most of the comment focuses on boundaries that are not drawn with the best community interests. The other problem is that the boundaries appear skewed in favour of the LNP from an electoral perspective, e.g. Pine Rivers and Ipswich West. However, this is a common feature of any suggestion by a political party. There are certainly deficiencies with the Labor and Greens suggestions, however, the scope of the Greens suggestions did not cover most of the City of Moreton Bay, and the Labor suggestion was not as well written or readable as the LNP suggestion. This submission seeks to address problems with the proposed boundaries and offer alternatives. The following link is used to justify the information presented.

https://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/ https://redistribution.ecq.qld.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0035/91898/QRC-Discussion-paper-v1.7.pdf

Yours Sincerely,

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Submission Attachments

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Electorate	Current May 2025	Projected June 2032
Buderim	6.61%	13.35%
Caloundra	17.48%	45.23%
Glass House	-1.23%	19.95%