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SUNSHINE COAST ALLIANCE INC.

Incorporation Number 1A42241

EUMUNDI DOONAN VERRIERDALE WEBYA DOWNS PREGIAN SPRINGS

Protecting

Culture, Lifestyle, Economy, Biodiversity

In alliance with Sunshine Coast Council Communities

16 September 2025

Queensland Electoral Commission

(Via email: QRCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Subject: Electoral Redistribution – Ninderry and Noosa Electorates

The Sunshine Alliance Inc. (SCAI) is a grass roots organization made up of residents of the Sunshine Coast who live in Doonan, Eumundi, Verrierdale, Peregian Springs and Peregian Beach West. Many of these residents are from fourth and fifth generation families with a strong heritage and cultural interest in the area that has been governed for over 100 years by the Maroochydore Council, the Sunshine Coast Regional Council and the Sunshine Coast Council. Most of the residents conduct their business, education, sport and leisure in Sunshine Coast Council centres.

SCAI was formed in the aftermath of the Noosa Council's de-amalgamation from the Sunshine Coast Council to counter a move by a group that proposed a change of the Noosa Council boundaries to include the area that is represented by the SCAI. A brief history of the boundary dispute follows:

- January and July 2015 -- The group desiring the boundary change conducted surveys of the area, which were unpublished, but the results, obviously, did not achieve the required 80% approval of the participants to warrant the boundary change.
- February 2015 – Some Noosa Councillors formally objected to the proposed boundary change.
- June 2015 – David Crisafulli, who was the Local Government Minister at the time, specified the need for both councils to agree to a boundary change.
- February 2016 – Steve Robinson, who was the Division 9 Sunshine Coast Councillor at the time, formally opposed the boundary change, and all Sunshine Coast Councillors signed a letter stating that they had no interest in a boundary change.
- March 2017 – Sunshine Coast Councillor Greg Rogerson and SCAI Secretary Vonnie Burton wrote letters confirming opposition to the proposed boundary change.
- October 2019 – SCAI President Steve Bennett sent a submission to the Queensland Boundary Commission opposing the proposed boundary change.

When the Queensland Electoral Commission (QEC) created the Ninderry Electorate as part of its 2016 redistribution, it set the northern boundary of the Ninderry Electorate as the boundary between the Sunshine Coast Council and the Noosa Council in keeping with the boundary decision.

As the QEC considers its current redistribution of the electorates on the Sunshine Coast, the SCAI objects to any proposal to include Doonan, Eumundi, Verrierdale, Peregian Springs and Peregian Beach West in the Noosa Electorate.

Very truly yours,

Sunshine Alliance Inc.



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