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The Secretariat of the Electoral Districts Redistribution Panel
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Dear Commissioners

2020 Redistribution – Wagga Wagga Electorate

I have reviewed the submissions (“Suggestions”) that have been made for the Wagga Wagga electorate and have sought feedback from my constituents on these submissions.

Based on feedback to our office both in person and via social media, the overwhelming view would appear to be that there is no need for changes to the boundaries to the Wagga Wagga electorate.

It should be noted that the Lockhart Shire Council is strongly opposed to Lockhart being removed in whole or in part from the electorate.

We have received some comments supporting the inclusion of Tumbarumba.

Furthermore, I note that there is a target for the population of Wagga Wagga to reach 100,000 by 2038 in the Government’s Regional Economic Development Framework. This has been supported by the government’s investment in the Special Activation Precinct at Bomen as well as the Health and Knowledge Precinct in Wagga Wagga. I believe that the impact of the current pandemic will see future growth in regional areas

Therefore, I believe that the current projections underestimate the future population of the Wagga Wagga electorate.

Based on this feedback and my view about the future growth of the region, I do not believe there is a need for change to the boundaries.

Yours sincerely



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