

From: Bob Edwards
Sent: Thursday, 4 August 2011 11:02 AM
To: Elections
Subject: Redistribution of ACT Electoral boundaries, 2011

To the Augmented ACT Electoral Commission,

I appreciate the difficulty the Commission is facing in coming up with an acceptable distribution of electoral boundaries, considering the constraints of the 3-electorate Hare-Clark system we presently have to work with in the ACT.

However, as a resident of Turner, I am somewhat surprised to learn that the revised proposal is to divide the inner-North of Canberra into two separate electorates. I believe that the residents of the three suburbs of Turner, O'Connor and Lyneham have a lot more to share in common with those of the other inner-North suburbs, such as Dickson, Ainslie, Reid etc. than they do with residents of Gungahlin or Belconnen (in the current Ginniderra electorate).

In the absence of any other more acceptable redistribution proposals, I strongly support the original redistribution proposal of the ACT Electoral Commission, which seems to require the smallest number of changes and would appear to have the longest viability into the future, key considerations addressed in the ACT Electoral Act.

Sincerely,

Robert Edwards,