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Dear Augmented ACT Electoral Commission,

The Woden Valley Community Council (WVCC) would like to lodge its objection to the proposed redistribution of the Electoral Boundaries and proposes a new redistribution consisting of a new seven member Brindabella electorate, a five member Ginninderra electorate and a five member Molonglo electorate.

The WVCC is disappointed with the existing electoral boundaries of Molonglo and Brindabella that split the Woden Valley district. We believe that this has adversely affected the adequate representation and rectification of issues in the Woden Valley by elected members to the ACT legislative assembly.

The WVCC proposes a good compromise for the existing electoral boundaries and 17 member assembly that also recognises the size of the current assembly is too small to govern effectively. It is suggested that the size of the assembly be increased to 21 members, which can be achieved through redistribution of the existing electoral boundaries. The WVCC proposes that:

- The Brindabella electorate should include Tuggeranong, Weston Creek and the entire Woden Valley district. There are new infill developments in the Tuggeranong and Woden Town centres and along transport corridors that will contribute to an increase in the overall population of the Brindabella electorate to support this proposal. All suburbs of the Woden Valley will then contained within the proposed new seven member electorate of Brindabella.
- For the current population growth areas of Gungahlin ,West Belconnen and Molonglo Valley, the redistribution of boundaries in the future should remain flexible as the population further increases in these areas.

- Nicholls should remain in the electorate of Ginninderra with no further changes provided that the developing areas of Lawson South, West Macgregor and future West Molonglo Valley continue to provide an overall increase in population.

- The Molonglo electorate should retain Gungahlin, with exception of Nicholls, and include the future growth area of Molonglo valley which could allow for the future augmentation of the boundaries between Molonglo and Ginninderra as suburbs come online.

The table below provides a statistical summary of the WVCC proposal outlined above.

Proposed electorates : Statistical Summary

Existing Electorate	Number of Members	Enrolment March 2011	% above or below quota 2011	Project enrolment October 2012	% above or below quota 2012
Brindabella	7	104 938	2.70%	106 242	0.72%
Ginninderra	5	69 974	-4.12%	71 094	-5.63%
Molonglo	5	73 235	0.34%	78832	4.63%

Also attached for your reference is a a map prepared by WVCC showing the revised electoral boundaries.

(Martin Miller)
Woden Valley Community Council

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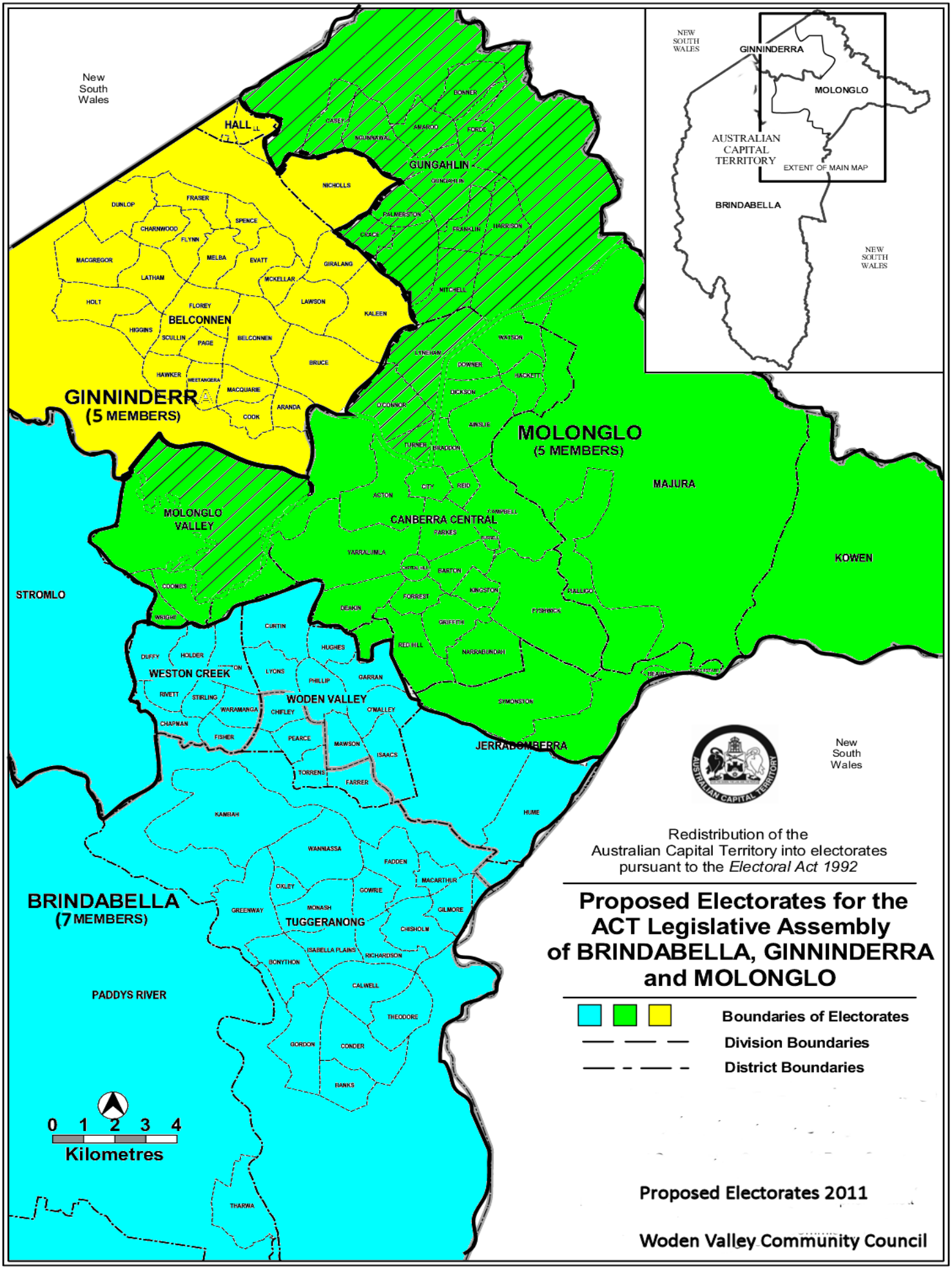
Attachment: WVCC proposed revised electoral boundaries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FRASER
DUNLOP
SPENCE
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MACGREGOR
MELBA
EVATT
GIRALANG
LATHAM
MCKELLAR
HOLT
FLOREY
LAWSON
KALEEN
BELCONNEN
HIGGINS
SCULLIN
PAGE
BELCONNEN
BRUCE
HAWKER
WEETANGERA
MACQUARIE
ARANDA
COOK
GINNINDERRA
(5 MEMBERS)
PALMERSTON
CRACE
FRANKLIN
HARRISON
MITCHELL
WATSON
LYNEHAM
DOWNER
HACKETT
DICKSON
O'CONNOR
ANSLIE
TURNER
BRADDON
MOLONGLO
(5 MEMBERS)
CITY
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CANBERRA CENTRAL
PARKES
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MAJURA
KOWEN
MOLONGLO VALLEY
YARRALUMLA
BARTON
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RED HILL
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STROMLO
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HUGHES
DUFFY
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WESTON CREEK
LYONS
PHILLIP
GARRAN
RIVETT
STIRLING
WODEN VALLEY
WARAMANGA
CHIFLEY
O'MALLEY
CHAPMAN
FISHER
PEARCE
MAWSON
ISAACS
SYMONSTON
JERRABOMBERRA
TORRENS
FARRER
KAMBAH
HUME
WANNIASSA
FADDEN
MACARTHUR
OXLEY
GOWRIE
BRINDABELLA
(7 MEMBERS)
GREENWAY
MONASH
TUGGERANONG
GILMORE
CHISHOLM
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AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
EXTENT OF MAIN MAP
BRINDABELLA
NEW SOUTH WALES
New South Wales
Redistribution of the
Australian Capital Territory into electorates
pursuant to the *Electoral Act 1992*
Proposed Electorates for the ACT Legislative Assembly of BRINDABELLA, GINNINDERRA and MOLONGLO
Boundaries of Electorates
Division Boundaries
District Boundaries
Proposed Electorates 2011
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