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Comment on Objections 179

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I would like to strongly support the objections put forward by Kylea Tink and Zali Steggall to the proposed boundary redistribution, particularly in relation to the abolition of the original federal electoral division of North Sydney and the proposed excision of parts of the current Warringah Division. The alternative of extending North Sydney in a northerly direction to encompass more of the mid North Shore based on merging and redistributing parts Berowra and Bradfield as proposed by Kylea Tink deserves further consideration and should more strongly align the electoral divisions with community interests and planned growth. North Curl Curl and Dee Why have a strong connection to Warringah and the nearby commercial and industrial centre of Brookvale and should be part of Warringah. Adding in parts of North Sydney to the West of the Warringah Freeway/North Sydney CBD into Warringah is highly dysfunctional with the freeway and its connections being a major barrier to East-West connectivity. I am a long-term resident of Mosman but have also lived in Crows Nest and supported my late parents for much of the last 24 years, while they lived in Castle Cove (Willoughby LGA but in Bradfield). I have also volunteered distributing candidate material on various polling stations for State and Federal elections in Warringah, North Sydney and Mackellar. My personal observation is that Bradfield lacks the cohesion, identity and history of North Sydney, Warringah and Mackellar – and that it is more amenable to being partitioned than either of these three divisions.