



**THE FEDERAL
REDISTRIBUTION
NEW SOUTH WALES**

Objection 502

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Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024

The Secretary,
Electoral Commissioner,
Australian Electoral Commission,
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Dear Redistribution Committee Secretary

As a Queenslander with over 40 years of contributing to the redistribution process in Queensland I lodge the following objection to the proposed redistribution in New South Wales due to my concern as to how the electors for the proposed abolition of the Division of North Sydney are distributed to the surrounding Divisions of Warringah, Bennelong and Bradford with 'flow on' effects to to the Divisions of Mackellar, Berowra, Mitchell and Parramatta.

Bennelong

The Committee Report States:-

The later change would more closely reflect the historical orientation of the electoral division, with these two local government areas being a core part at its inception in 1949 before redistributions in 1992 and 2000 saw these areas transferred to the Division of North Sydney.

I do not see what 'a core part at its inception in 1949' has any relevance with a redistribution 75 years later.

I believe that there would be very few metropolitan/near metropolitan Federal Divisions that would maintained there 'core locality' throughout this period, with the continual changes in representation of the mainland States.

Over this period New South Wales has continually lost representation to other mainland States.

From 1949 to 1983 its representation fell from 47 to 43.

From 1984 to the current redistribution it has fell from 51 to 46.

I have enclosed maps of the Division of Bennelong from 1984 to the last redistribution in 2016.

In the 1992 redistribution the Lane Cove Local Government area was transferred to the Division of North Sydney leaving the Hunters Hill Local Government area in the Division of Bennelong.

This is what I believe should happen this time, with the Hunters Hill Local Government area being added onto the existing Division.

By adding the Hunters Hill Local Government area to the existing Division brings the projected enrolment, as at 10/4/28, of 132,385 which is 102.14% of the projected quota of 129,612.

Voter Movement:-

Redistribution Committee proposal

Into the proposed Division:- 43,189 projected voters

Out of the proposed Division:- 23,134 projected voters

My suggestions

Into the suggested Division:- 10,261 projected voters

Out of the suggested Division:- nil

Sheet2

Bennelong

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Existing Division			122124
plus			
from North Sydney			
Gladesville - Huntleys Point		2893	
Hunters Hill - Woolwich		7368	
Total		10261	10261
Suggested Divisional Total (Bennelong)			132385
% of Quota			102.14%



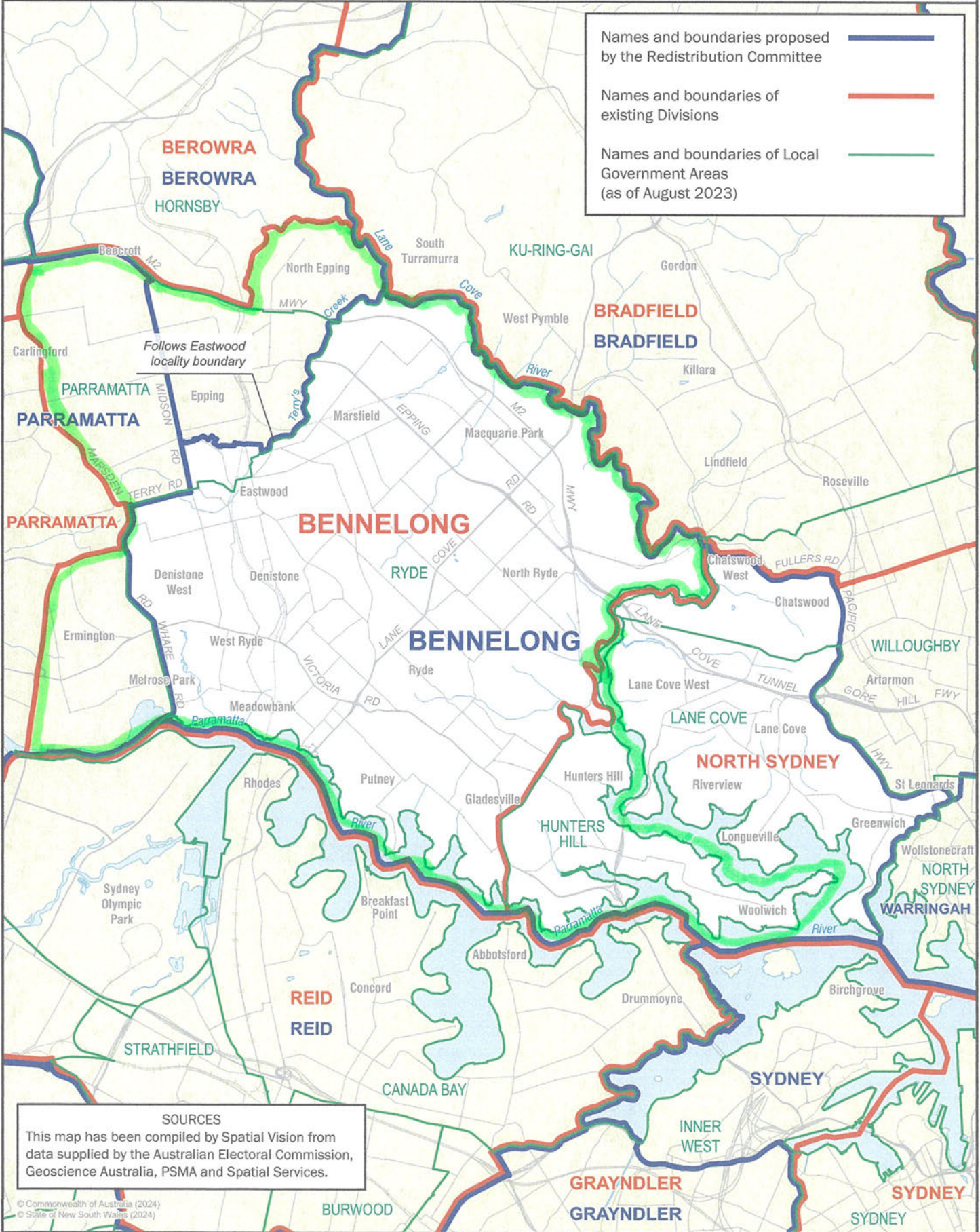
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**MAP OF PROPOSED
 COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL DIVISION OF
 BENNELONG**



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Names and boundaries proposed by the Redistribution Committee	
Names and boundaries of existing Divisions	
Names and boundaries of Local Government Areas (as of August 2023)	



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Bennelong

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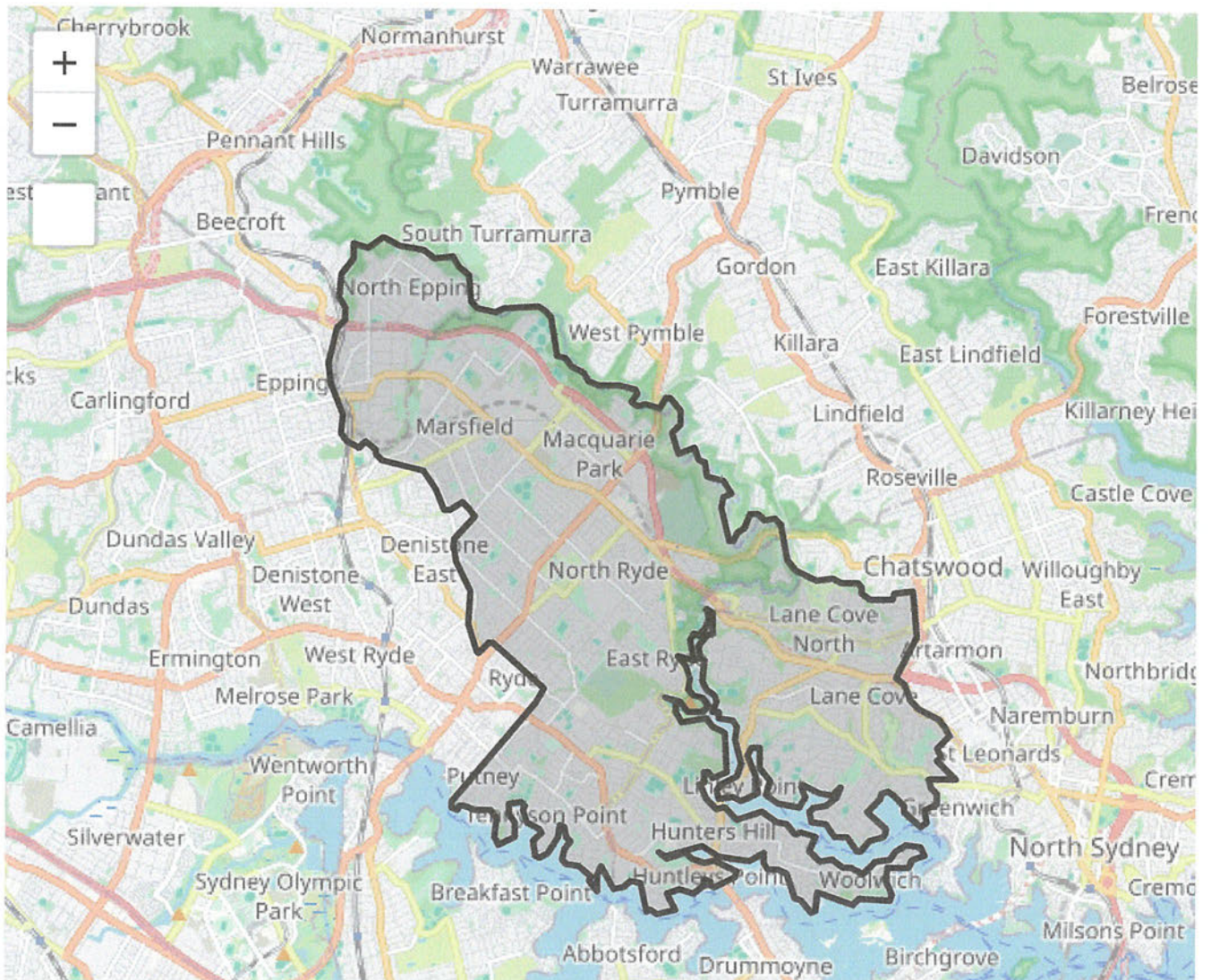
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Search



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2009–2016		2016–PRESENT	



Bennelong

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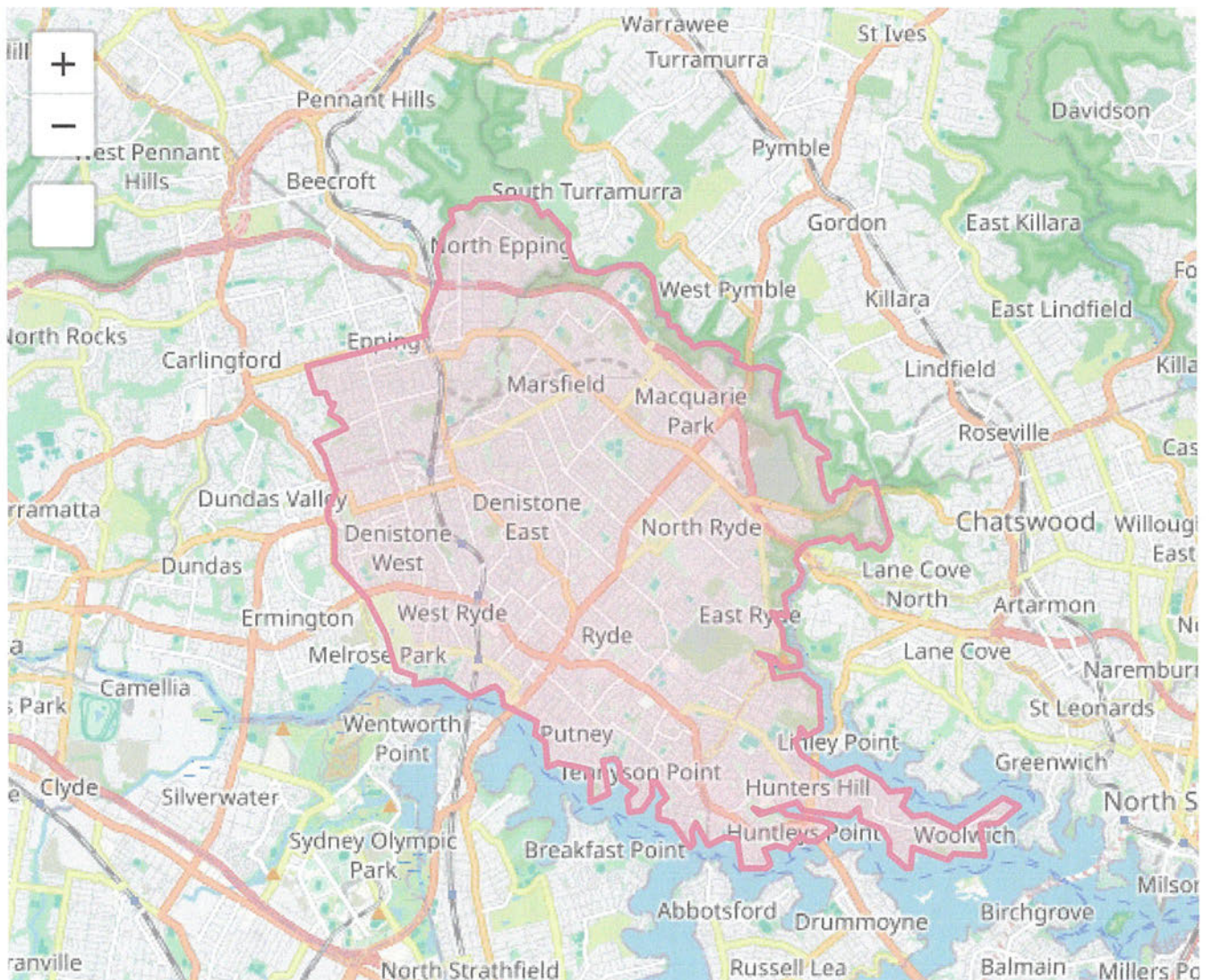
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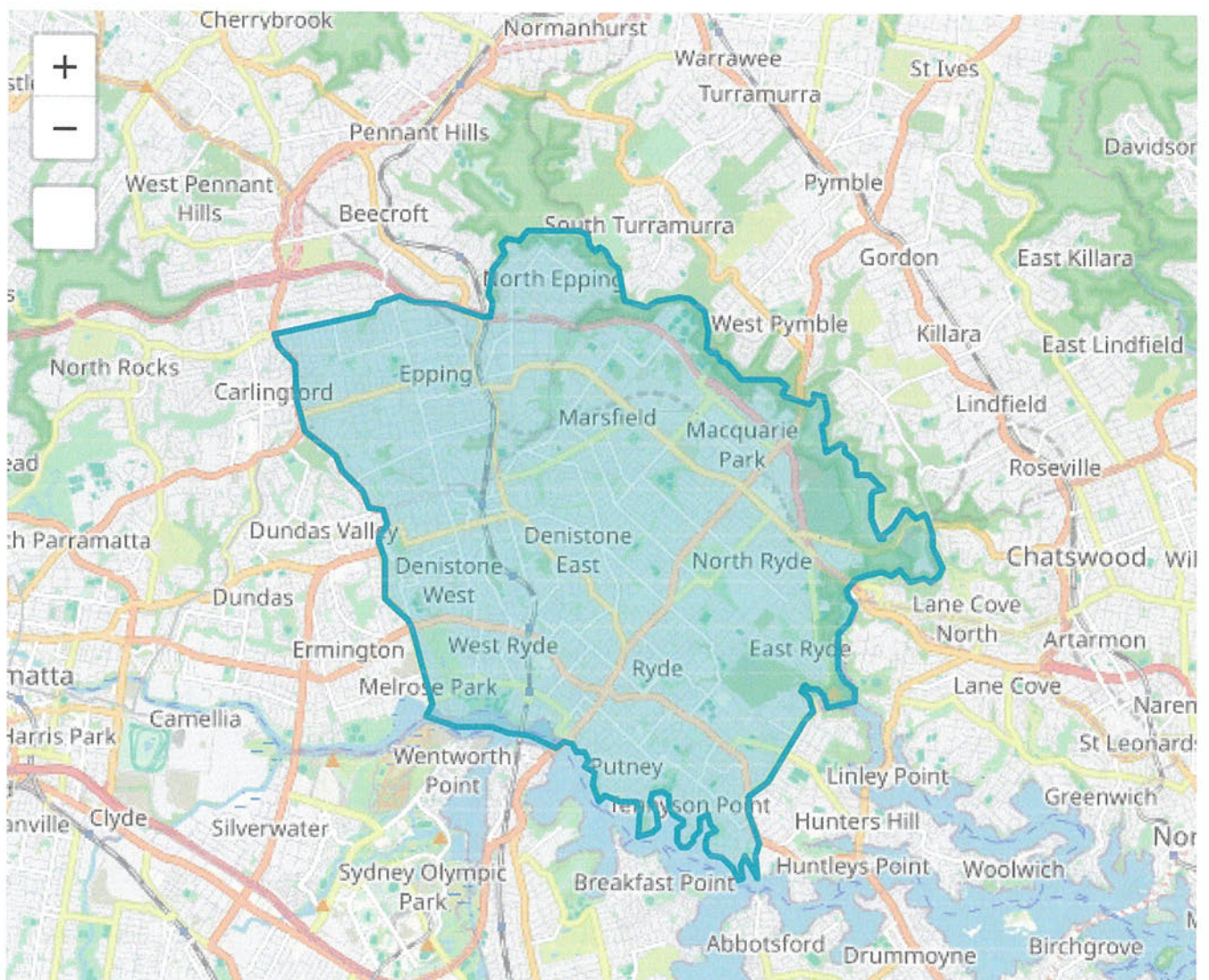
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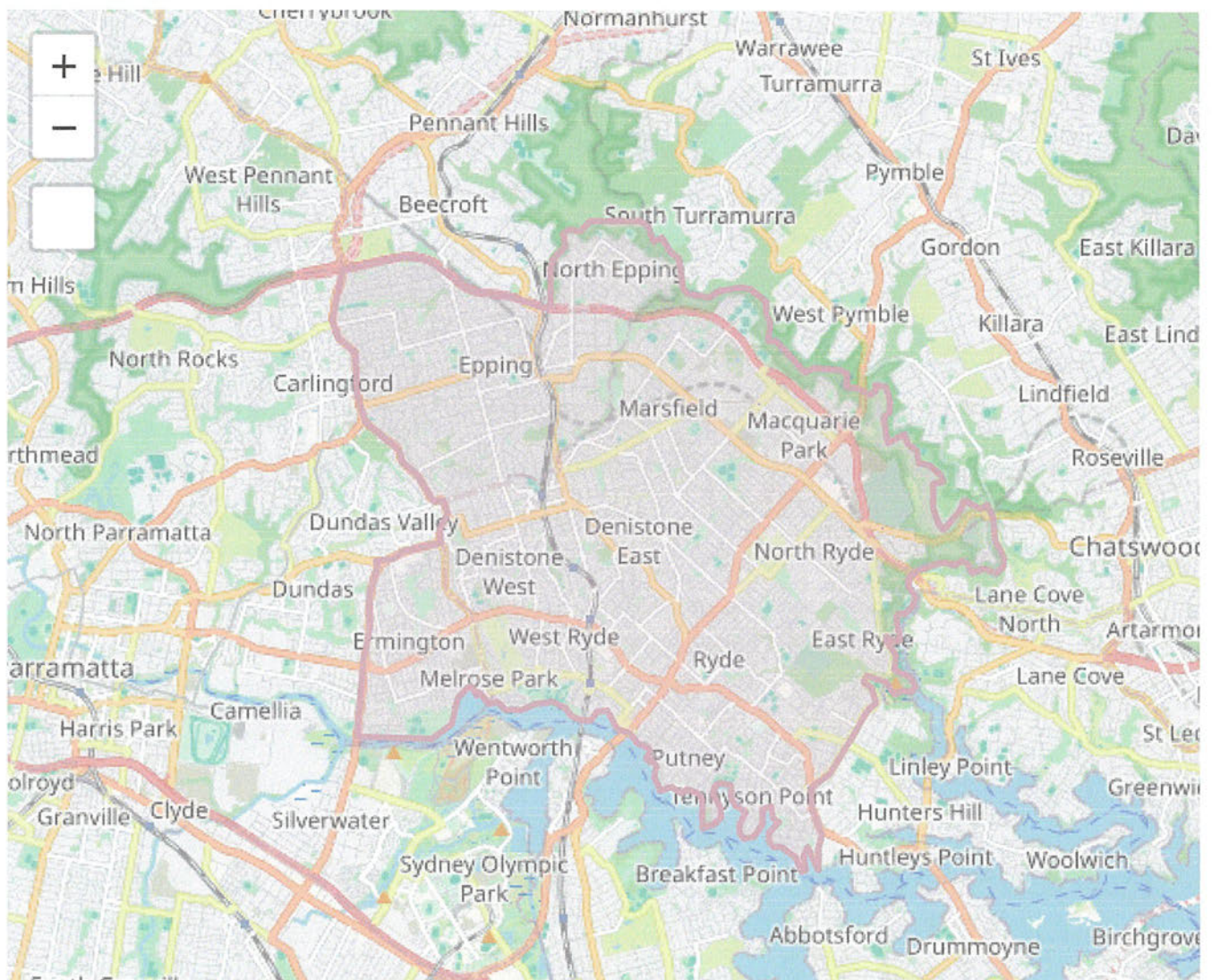
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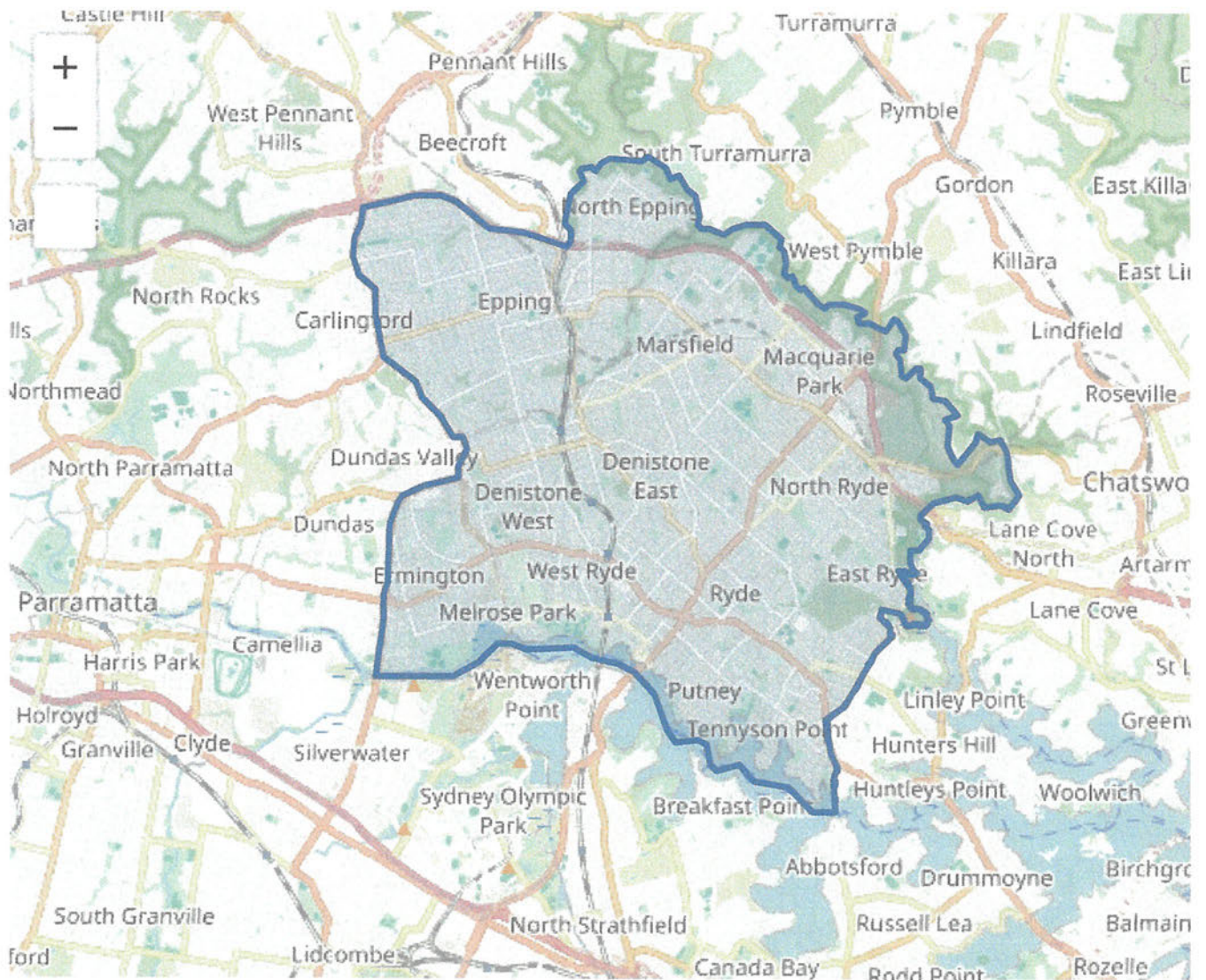
1992–2000

2000–2006

2006–2009

2009–2016

2016–PRESENT



Warringah

The Redistribution Committee proposes a division with a projected enrolment (as at 10/4/28) of 127,110 which is 7,047 less than the maximum allowed of 134,157.

That is 1.94% less than the projected quota of 129,612

I suggest that this projected enrolment be increased to 133,110 which is 2.54% above the quota.

This is achieved by suggesting 6,000 projected voters from Castle Cove–Northbridge SA2, be included in the Division.

Included in this suggested transfer is the localities of Northbridge (East of Strathallen Avenue, North of Sailors Road, East of Eastern Valley Way) and Castlecrag.

Voter Movement:-

Redistribution Committee proposal

Into the proposed Division:- 36,409 projected voters

Out of the proposed Division:- 15,257 projected voters

My suggestions

Into the suggested Division:- 42,409 projected voters

Out of the suggested Division:- 15,257 projected voters

Sheet1

Warringah

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Existing Division			105958
less			
to MacKellar			
Dee Why (Soith) - North Curi Curi		6552	
Dee Why – North		1684	
Forestville - Killarney Heights		5355	
Frenchs Forest - Oxford Falls		1666	
Freshwater - Brookvale		0	
Total		15257	15257
Left in Warringah			90701

plus

From North Sydney

Proposed by AEC

Castle Cove - Northbridge	0	
Cremorne - Cammeray	9264	
Crows Nest - Waverton	12321	
Migratory - Offshore - Shipping (NSW)	0	
Neutral Bay - Kirribilli	6160	
North Sydney Kavender Bay	8664	
Total	36409	36409
Sub Total		127110

My Suggestion

Castle Cove-
Northbridge
(part)

12101168301	312
12101168302	333
12101168303	218
12101168304	392
12101168307	0
12101168308	369
12101168309	322
12101168311	230
12101168312	234
12101168314 *1	130
12101168315	223
12101168316	339
12101168318	307
12101168319	343
12101168322	281
12101168323	248
12101168326	350
12101168327	191
12101168328	252
12101168329	0
12101168330	321
12101168332 *2	143
12101168333	405
12101168334	369

Total	6000	6000	6000
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Suggested Divisional Total (Warringah)			133110
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% of Quota			102.54%
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*1 Have split the SA1 50% each division

*2 Have split the SA1 50% each Division

N. B. There appears to be a discrepancy of 212 of the total in the Report and the addition of the individual SA1's.



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**MAP OF PROPOSED
 COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL DIVISION OF
 WARRINGAH**



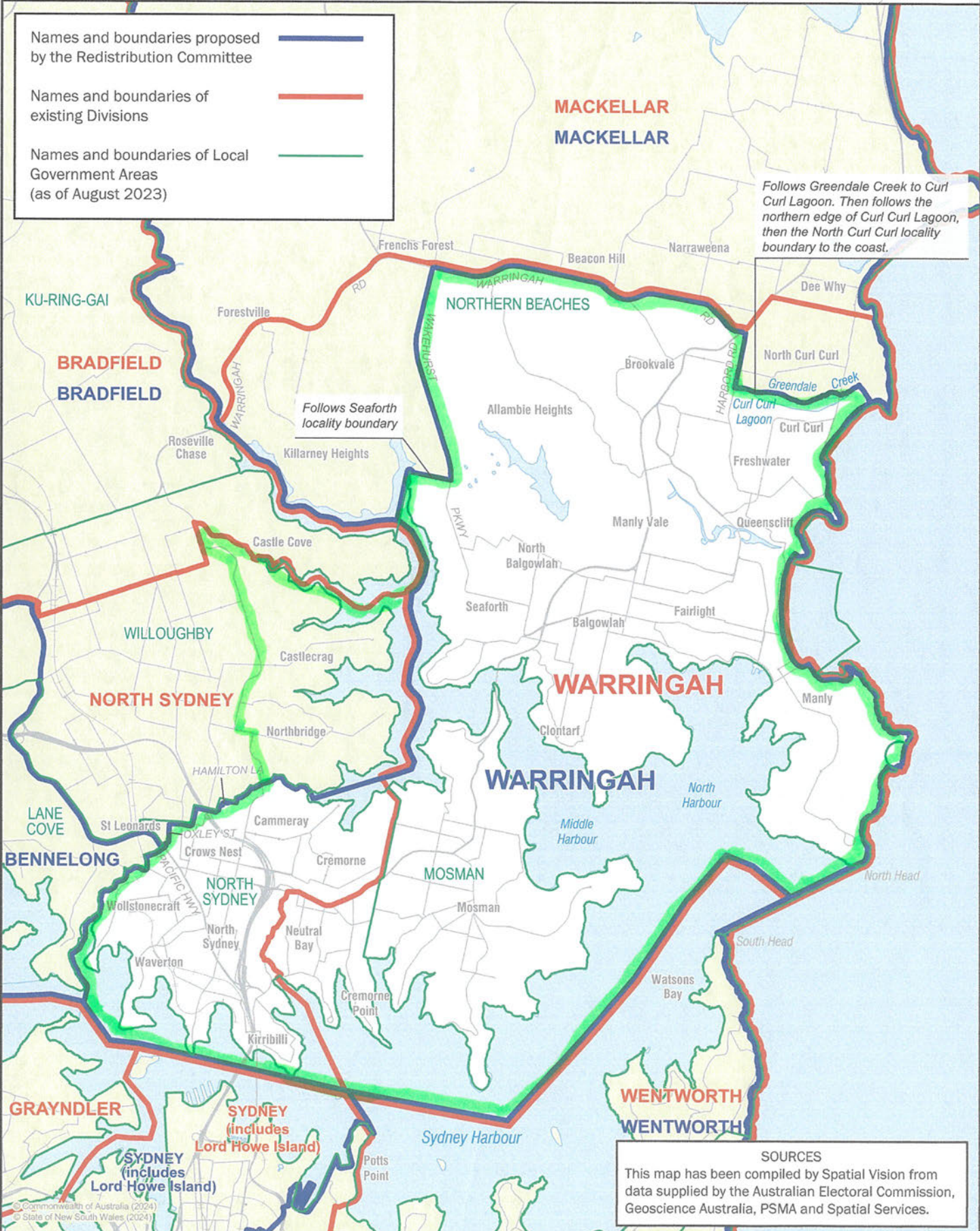
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Names and boundaries of Local Government Areas (as of August 2023) ———



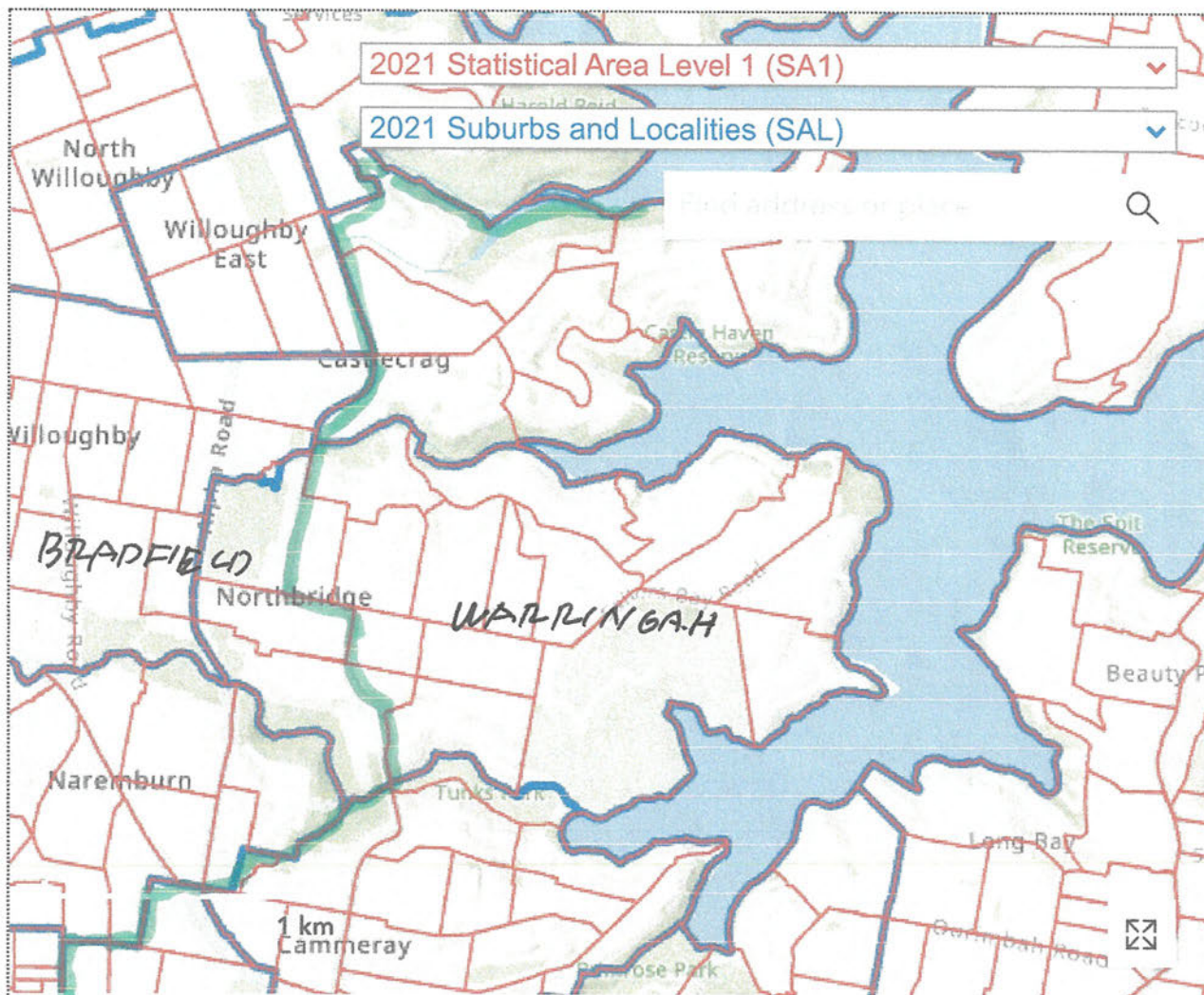
Follows Greendale Creek to Curl Curl Lagoon. Then follows the northern edge of Curl Curl Lagoon, then the North Curl Curl locality boundary to the coast.

Follows Seaforth locality boundary

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Bradfield

The Redistribution Committee proposes a division with a projected enrolment (as at 10/4/28) of 125,668 which is 8,489 less than the maximum allowed of 134,157.

That is 3.05% less than the projected quota of 129,612

I suggest that this projected enrolment be increased to 133,308 which is 2.85% above the quota.

This is achieved by suggesting:-

Transfer to the Division

- Artarmon, Migratory -Offshore – Shipping (NSW), St Leonards – Narembum and Willoughby SA2's, as proposed by the Redistribution committee.
- 1,632 projected voters from Castle Cove-Northbridge SA2.

This is the part in the locality of Northbridge, West of Strathallen Avenue, South of Sailors Road, West of Eastern Valley Way and the locality of Middle Cove.

- 32,928 projected voters from Lane Cove Local Government Area.

Transfer out of the existing Division

- 16,823 projected voters from Asquith – Mount Colah, Hornsby – East, Normanhurst – Thornleigh- Westleigh, Wahroonga (West) – Waitara SA2's as proposed by the Redistribution Committee.

- 12,808 projected voters from Wahroonga (West)–Waitara and Wahroonga (East)–Warrawee SA2's.
- 6,268 projected voters from the Turrarmurra SA2, that part South of the A1 (Pacific Highway).

Voter Movement:-

Redistribution Committee proposal

Into the proposed Division:- 32,968 projected voters

Out of the proposed Division:- 16,823 projected voters

My suggestions

Into the suggested Division:- 59,684 projected voters

Out of the suggested Division:- 35,899 projected voters

Sheet3

Bradfield

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Existing Division			109523
Plus			
From North Sydney			
Proposed by AEC			
Artarmon		5298	
Chatswood – East		4506	
Migratory – Offshore- Shipping (NSW)		0	
St Leonards - Narembum		6635	
Willoughby		8685	
Sub Total		25124	25124
My Suggestion			
Castle Cove - Northbridge (part)			
	12101168305	378	
	12101168214 *1	130	
	12101168324	373	
	12101168325	339	
	12101168331	268	
	12101168332 *2	144	
Total	1632	1632	

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Chatswood (West) - Lane Cove North		11570	
Greerwitch - Riverview		9316	
Lane Cove		10799	
St Leonards - Narembum		1243	
Total		34560	34560
			169207
Less			
Proposed by AEC			
Asquith - Mount Colah		1771	
Hornsby – East		6205	
Normanhurst - Thornleigh - Westleigh		1919	
Wahroonga (West) - Waitara		6928	
Total		16823	152384
My Suggestion			
Wahroonga (West) - Waitara		78	
Wahroonga (East) - Warrawee		12730	

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Turrarmurra (part)			
12103141101		336	
12103141102		389	
12103141103		355	
12103141104		335	
12103141105		462	
12103141106		201	
12103141107		226	
12103141108		336	
12103141118		306	
12103141123		405	
12103141124		380	
12103141125		270	
12103141126		345	
12103141127		320	
12103141128		239	
12103141129		356	
12103141137		204	
12103141145		421	
12103141148		260	
12103141151		122	
Total	6268	6268	
Total		19076	19076
Suggested Divisional Total (Bradfield)			133308
% of Quota			102.85%



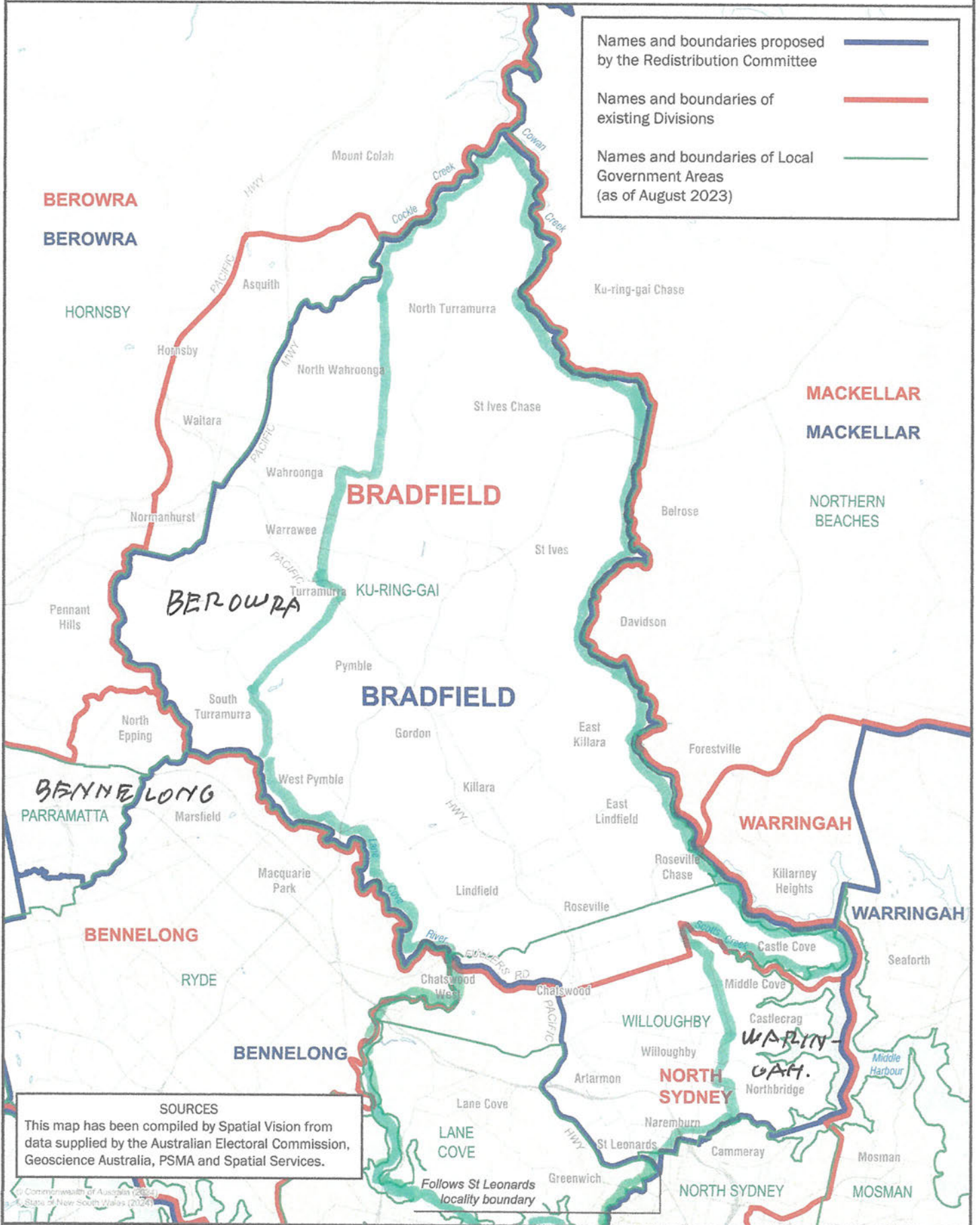
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 BRADFIELD**



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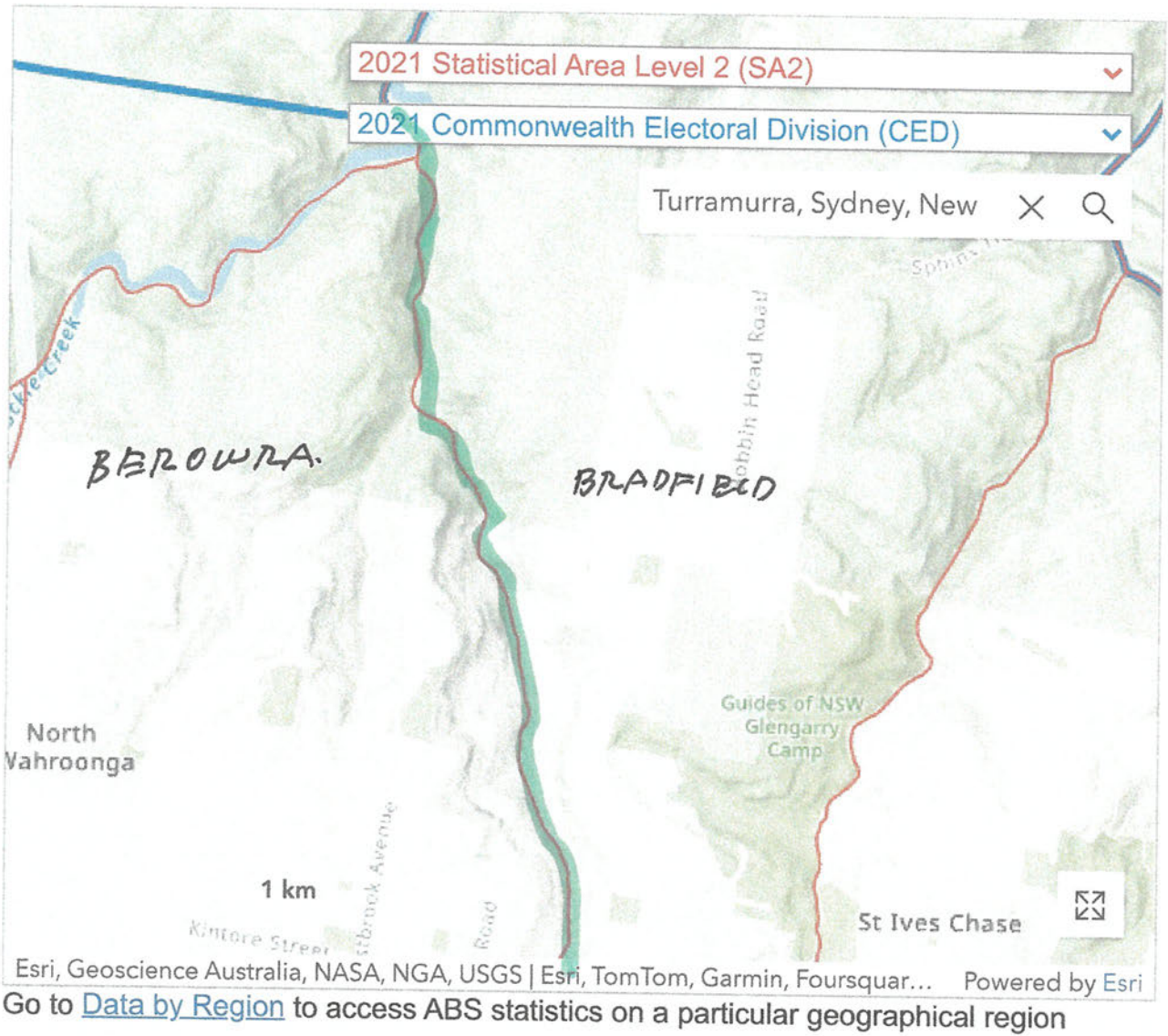
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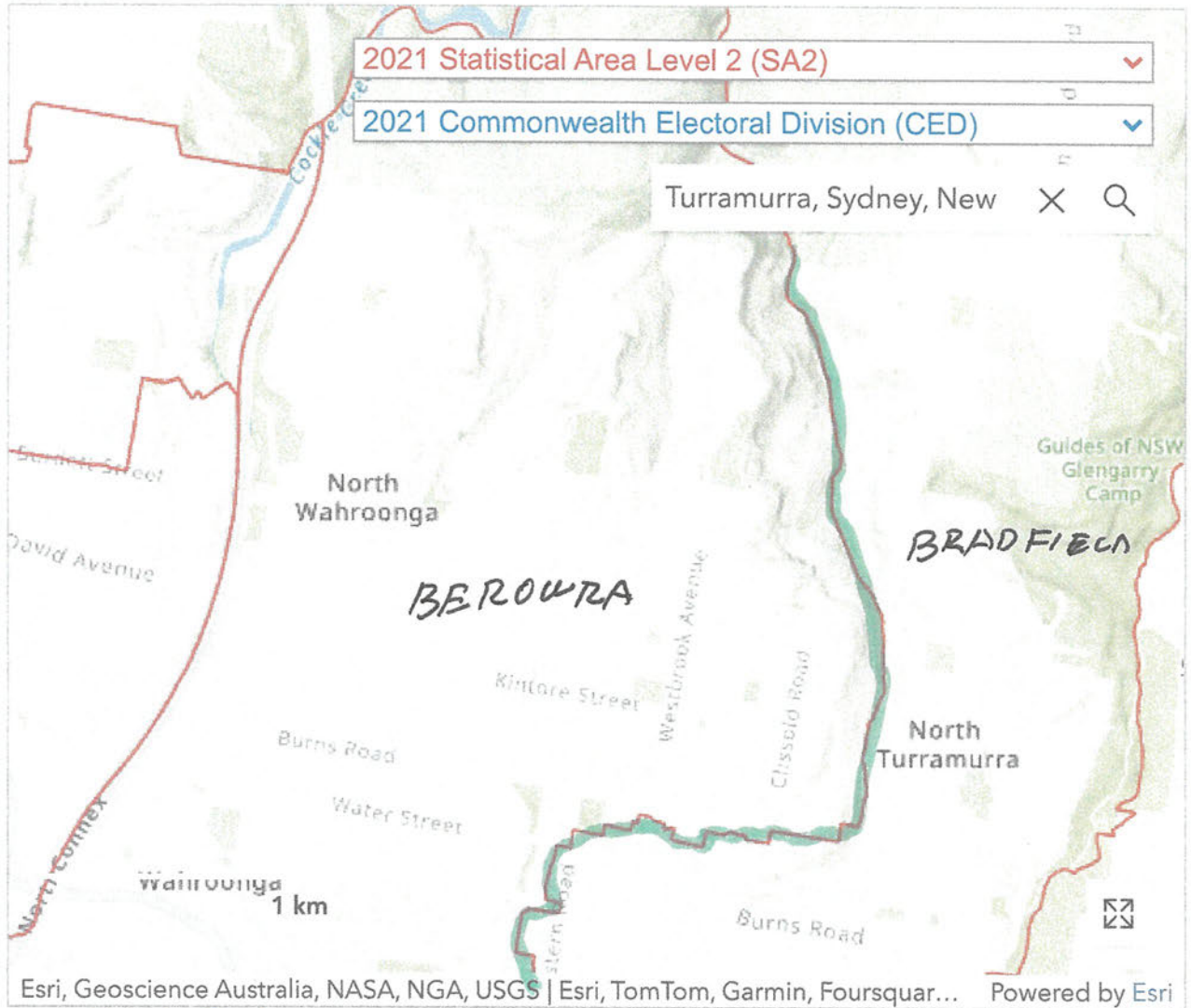
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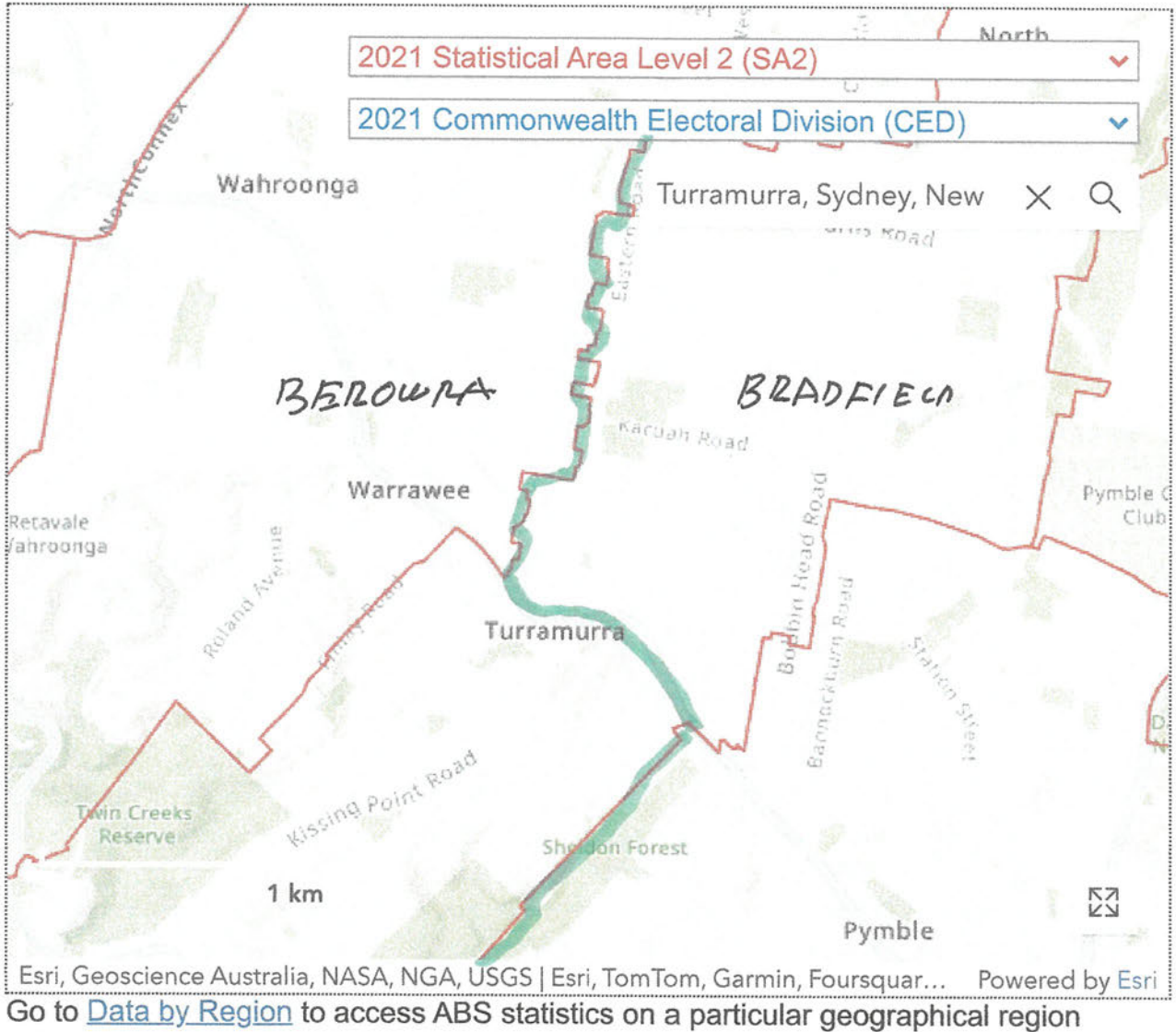


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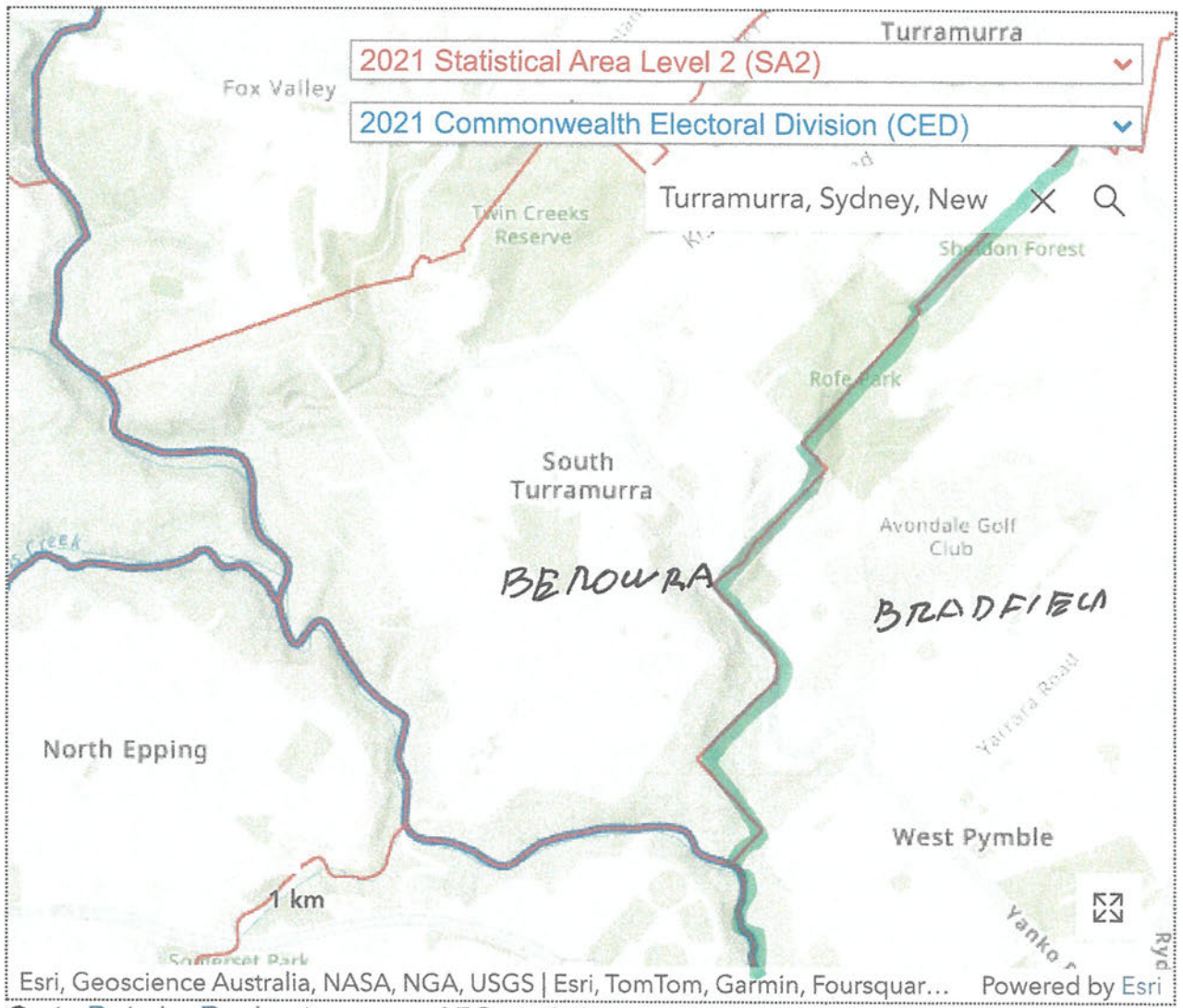
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Berowra

The Redistribution Committee proposes a division with a projected enrolment (as at 10/4/28) of 131,996 which is 2,161 less than the maximum allowed of 134,157.

That is 1.84% more than the projected quota of 129,612

My suggested Division has a projected enrolment of 132,180, which is 1.98% above the quota, which is slightly more than the Redistribution Committee projection division.

My suggested division is achieved by:-

Transfer to the suggested division

- 16,823 projected voters from Asquith – Mount Colah, Hornsby–East, Normanhurst–Thornleigh–Westleigh, Wahroonga (West)–Waitara SA2's as proposed by the Redistribution committee.
- 12,808 projected voters from Wahroonga (West)–Waitara and Wahroonga (East)–Warrawee SA2's.
- 6,268 projected voters from the Turrarmurra SA2, that part South of the A1 (Pacific Highway).

Transfer out of the Divisions

- 9,055 projected voters from Caringford–West, Castle Hill –North, West Pennant Hills SA2's as proposed by the Redistribution committee.
- 3,818 projected voters from the Castle Hill – East SA2.

Voter Movement:-

Redistribution Committee proposal

Into the proposed Division:- 31,897 projected voters

Out of the proposed Division:- 9,055 projected voters

My suggestions

Into the suggested Division:- 35,899 projected voters

Out of the suggested Division:- 12,873 projected voters

Sheet4

Berowra

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Existing Division			109154
Plus			
From Bradfield			
Proposed by AEC			
Asquith - Mount Colah		1771	
Hornsby – East		6205	
Normanhurst - Thornleigh - Westleigh		1919	
Wahroonga (West) - Waitara		6928	
Total		16823	16823
My Suggestion			
Wahroonga (West) - Waitara		78	
Wahroonga (East) - Warrawee		12730	

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
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12103141128		239	
12103141129		356	
12103141137		204	
12103141145		421	
12103141148		260	
12103141151		122	
Total	6268	6268	
Total		19076	19076
Total			145053
Less			
Proposed by AEC			
Carlingford – West		1779	
Castle Hill – North		75	
West Pennant Hills		7201	
Total		9055	9055
Total			135998

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
My Suggestion			
Castle Hill – East		3818	3818
Suggested Divisional Total (Berowra)			132180
% of Quota			101.98%



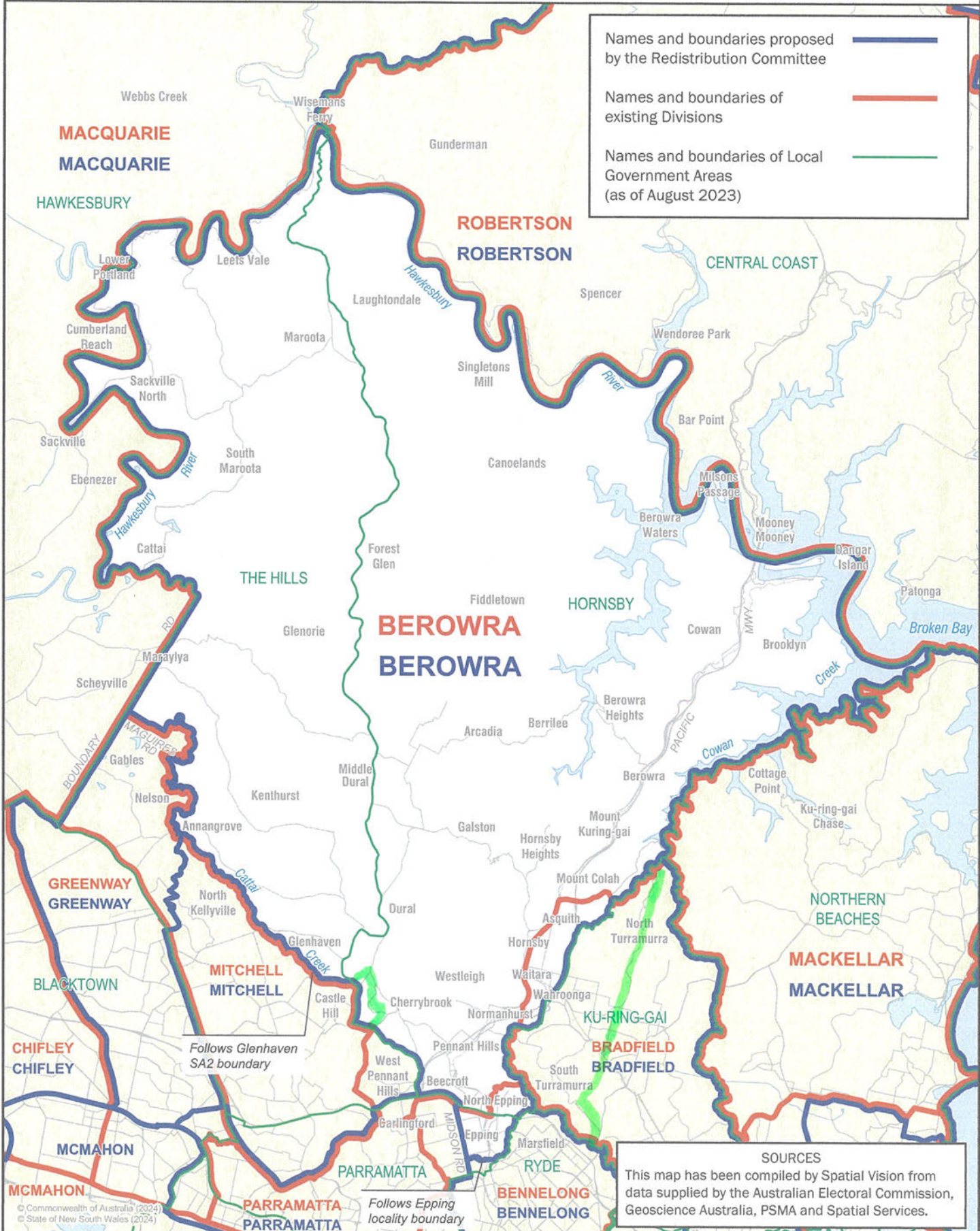
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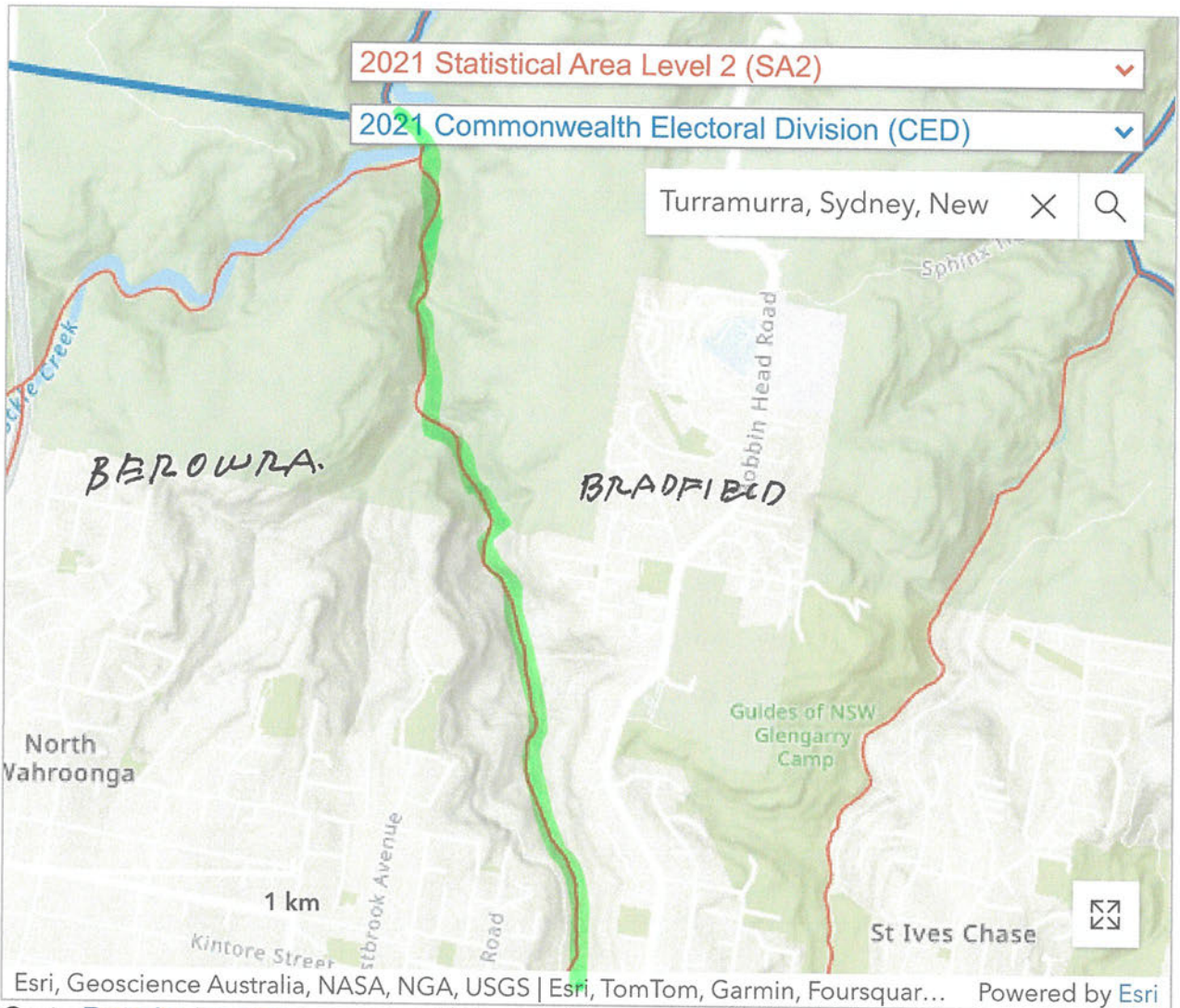
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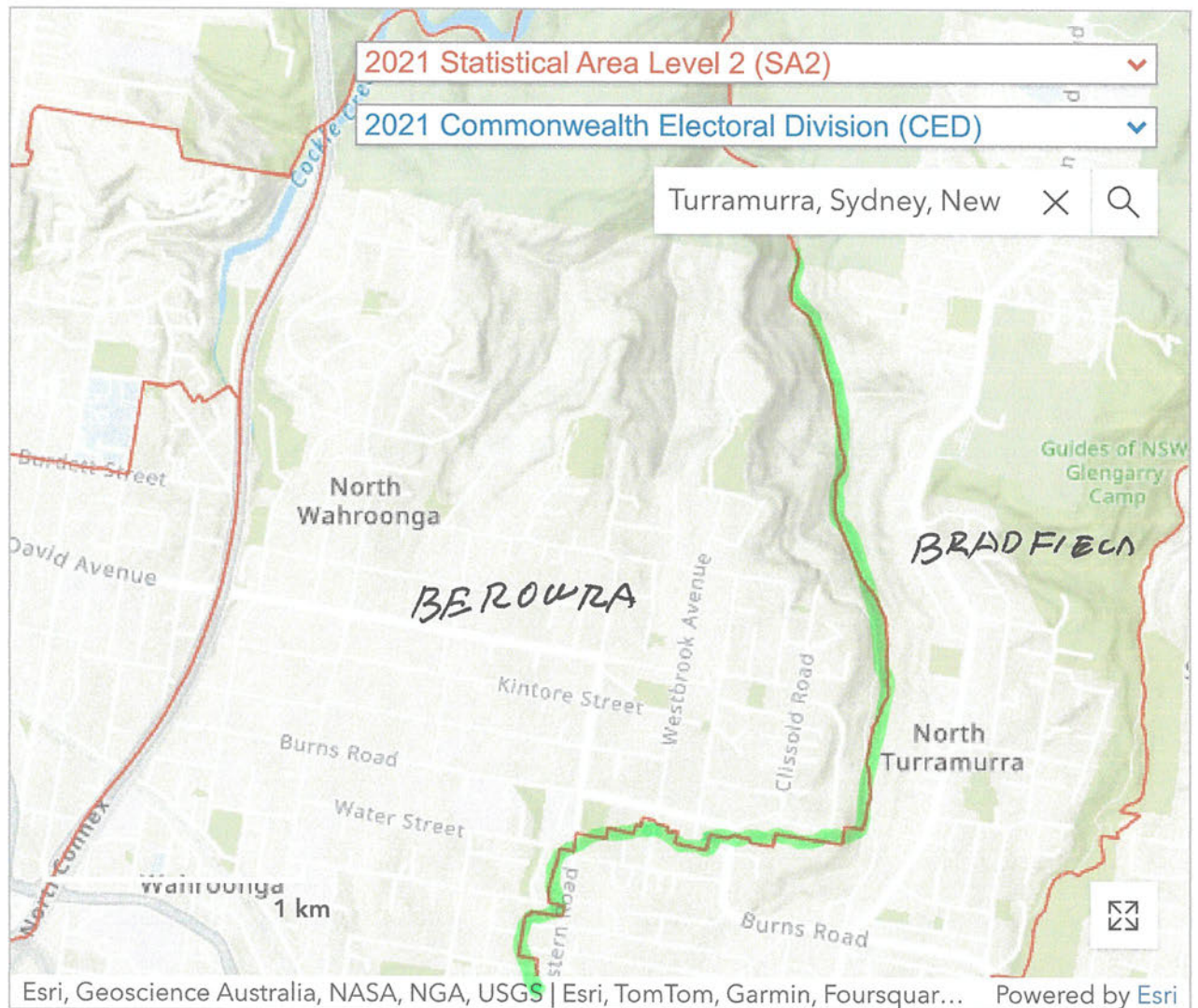
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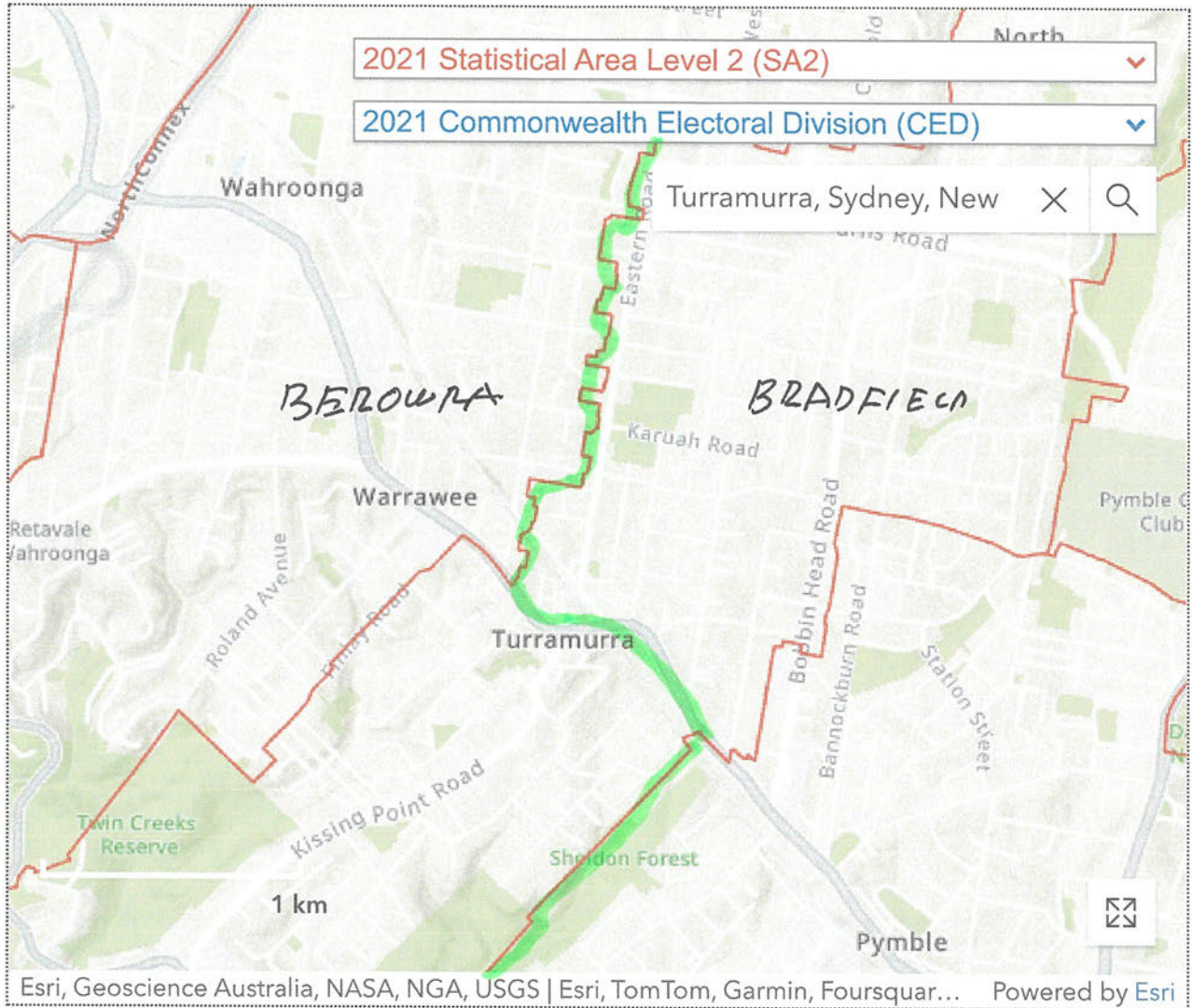
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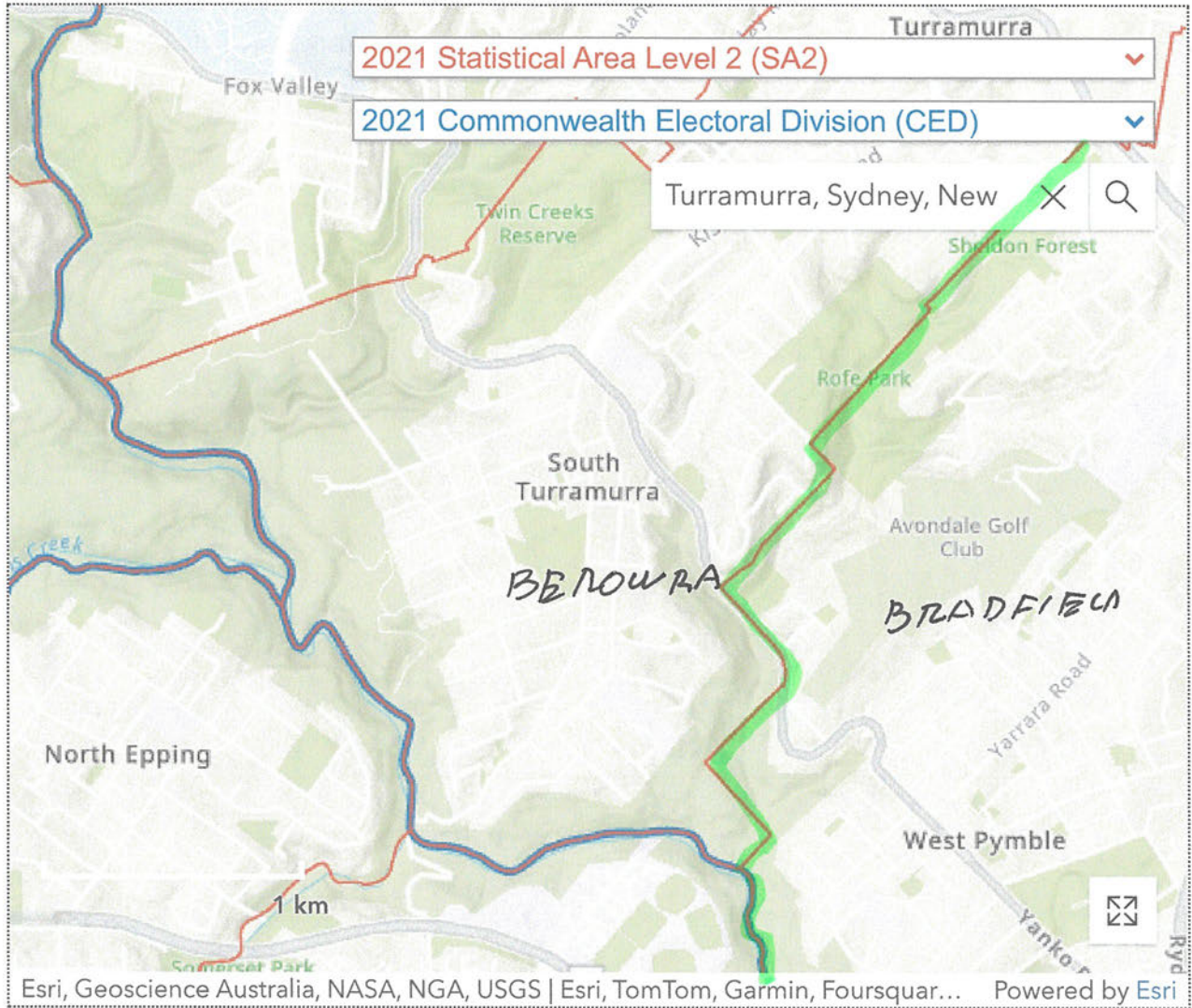
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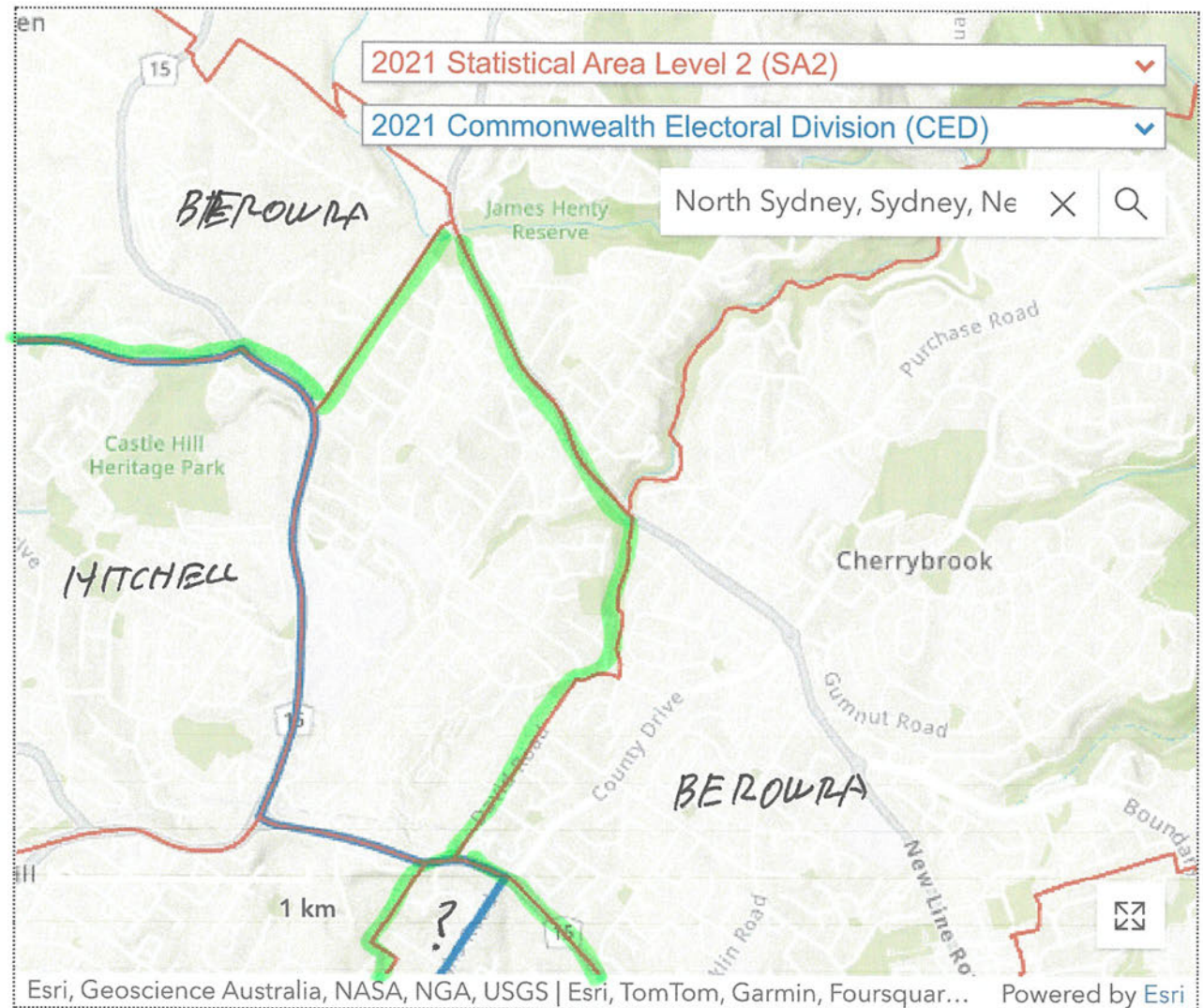
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? POSSIBLY
PARAMATTA.

Mitchell

The Redistribution Committee proposes a division with a projected enrolment (as at 10/4/28) of 133,386 which is 771 less than the maximum allowed of 134,157.

That is 2.9% more than the projected quota of 129,612

My suggested Division has a projected enrolment of 133,776 which is 3.21% above the quota.

My suggested division is achieved by:-

Transfer to the suggested division

- 75 projected voters from Carlingford – West, Castle – North, SA2's as proposed by the Redistribution Committee.
- 3,818 projected voters from Castle Hill – East.

Transfer out of the Division

- 13,727 projected voters from Box Hill – Nelson, Pitt Town – McGraths Hill, as proposed by the Redistribution Committee

I could not find that part of Pitt Town – McGraths Hill in the Division of Mitchell on the ABS maps, however I accepted it was adjacent to Box Hill – Nelson.

- 4,962 projected voters from North Rocks and West Pennant Hills SA2's.

Voter Movement:-

Redistribution Committee proposal

Into the proposed Division:- 7,276 projected voters

Out of the proposed Division:- 22,466 projected voters

My suggestions

Into the suggested Division:- 3,893 projected voters

Out of the suggested Division:- 18,689 projected voters

Sheet5

Mitchell

Location	SA1 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	SA2 Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28	Total Projected Enrolments At 10/4/28
Existing Division			148572
Plus			
Proposed by AEC			
Carlingford – West		0	
Castle Hill – North		75	
Total		75	75
My Suggestion			
Castle Hill – East		3818	3818
Total			152465
Less			
Proposed by AEC			
Box Hill – Nelson		13703	
Pitt Town - McGraths Hill		24	
Total		13727	13727
Sub Total			138738
My Suggestion			
North Rocks		3163	
West Pennant Hills		1799	
Total		4962	4962
Suggested Divisional Total (Mitchell)			133776
% of Quota			103.21%



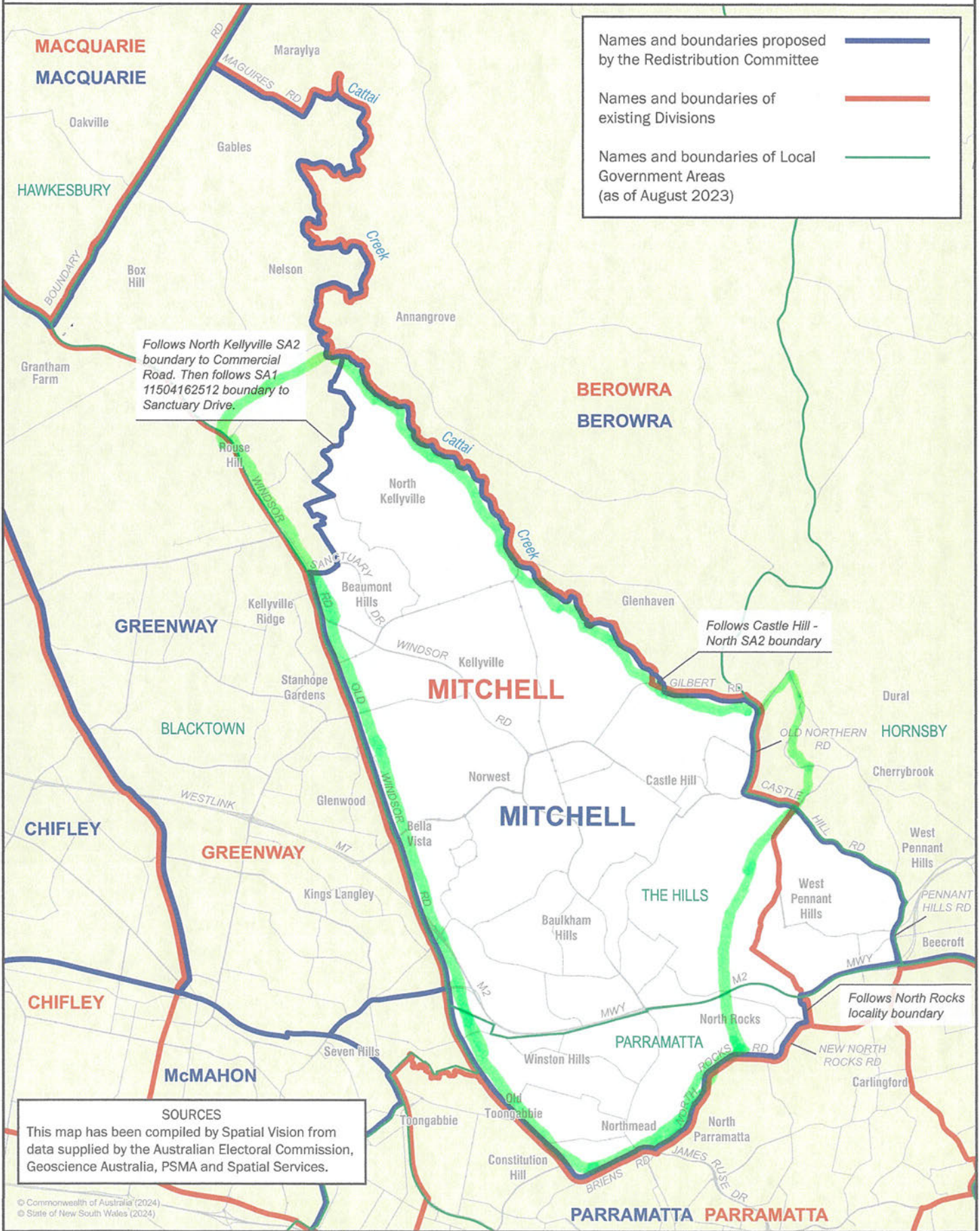
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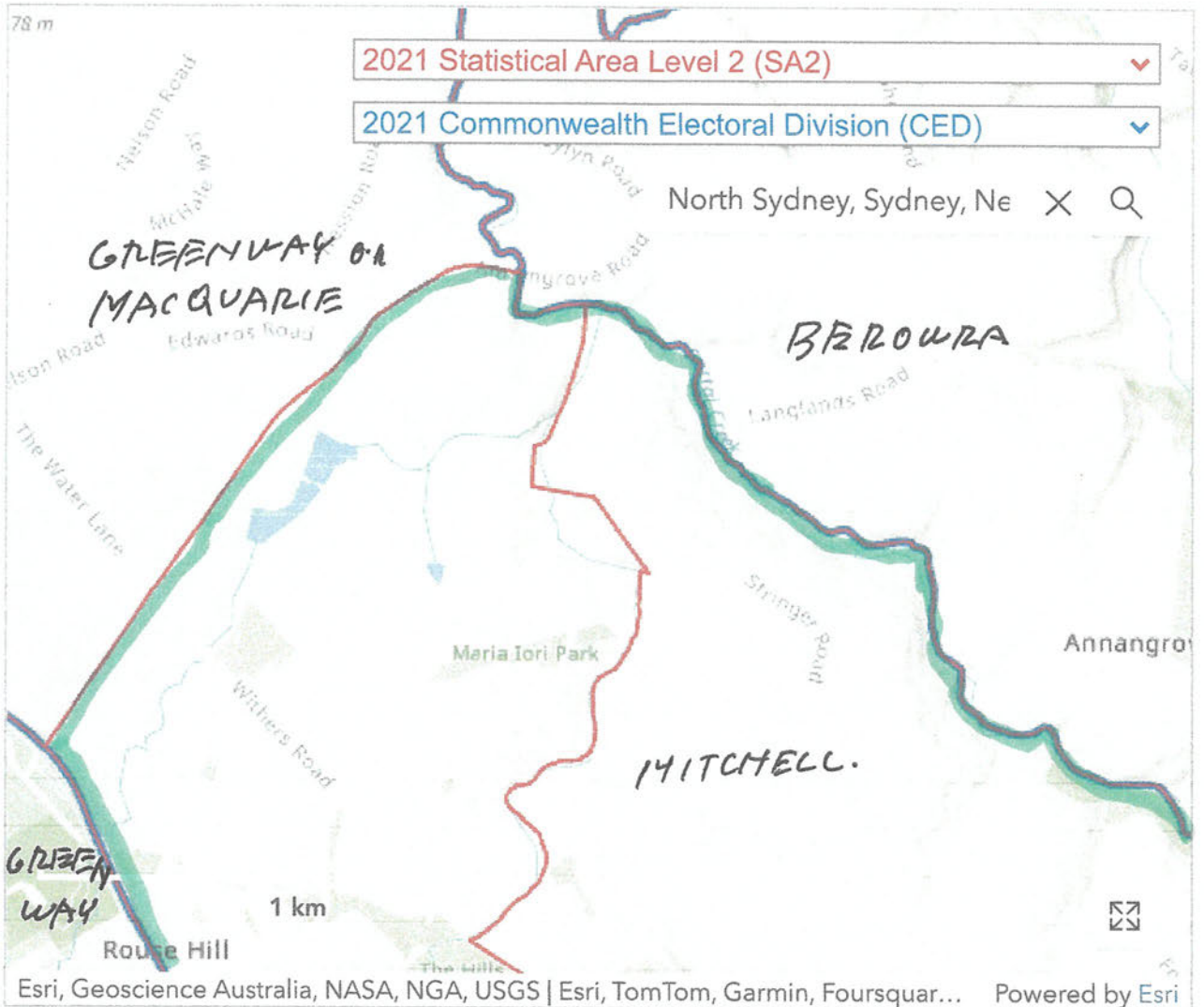
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Follows Castle Hill - North SA2 boundary

Follows North Rocks locality boundary

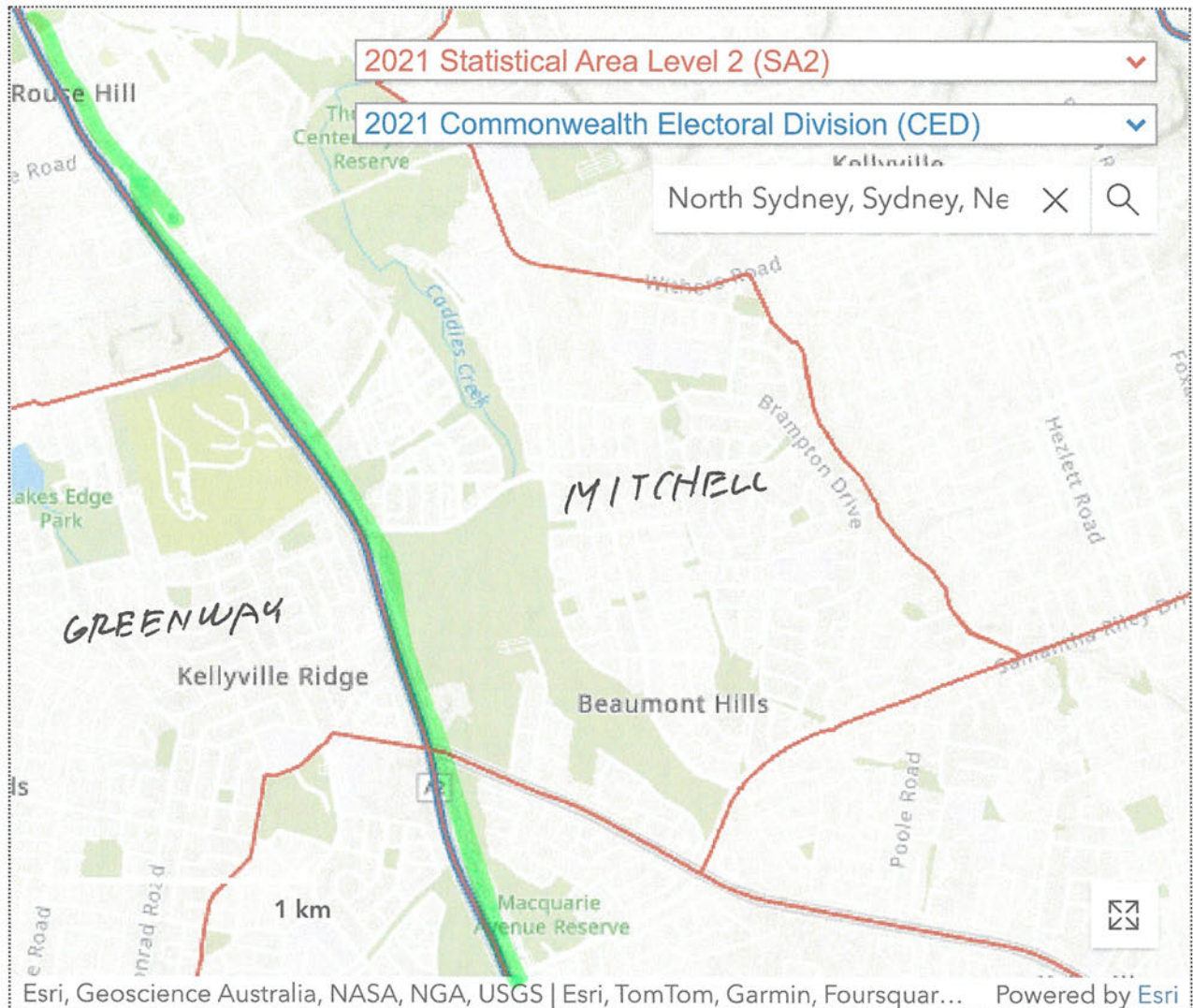
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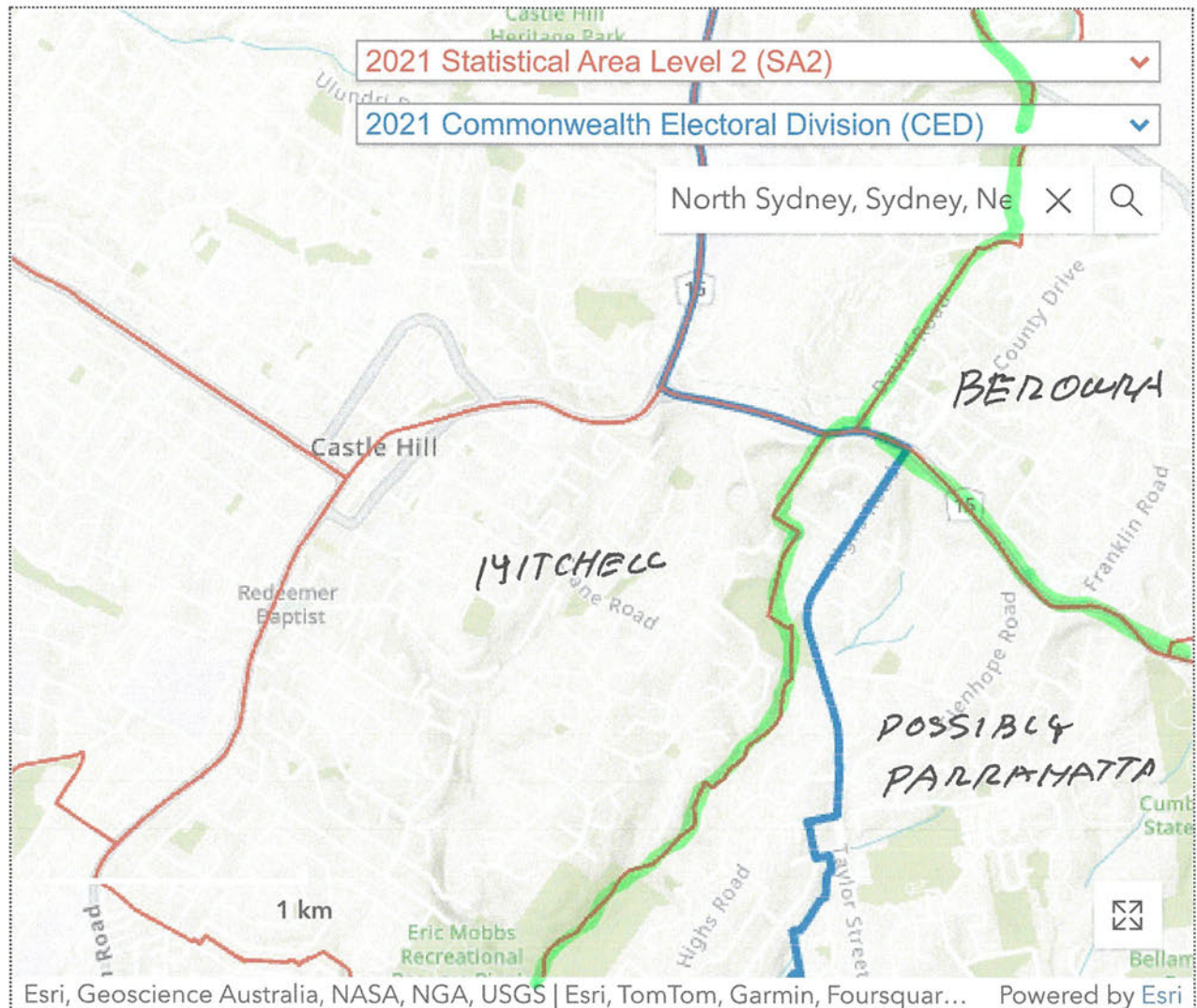
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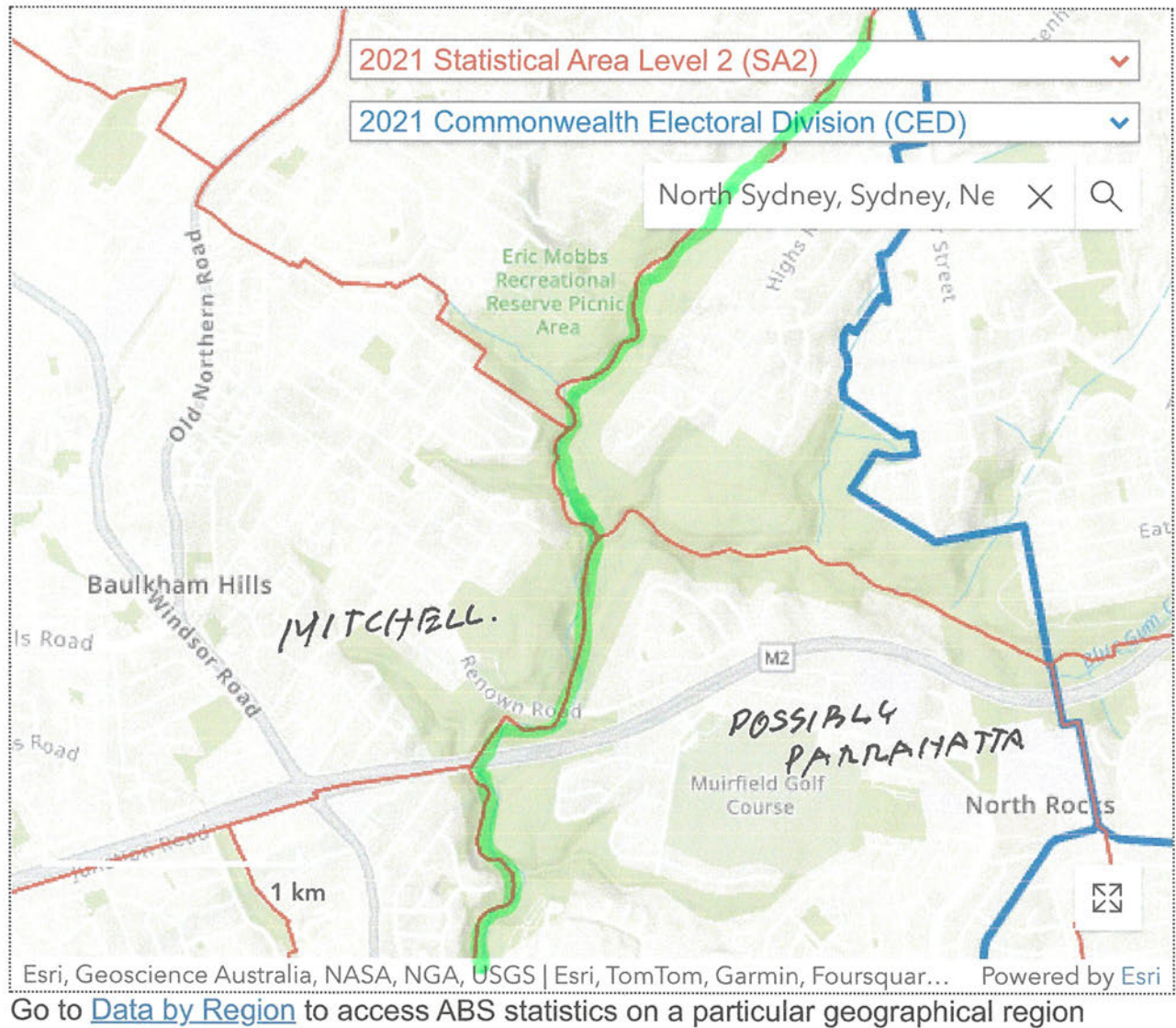
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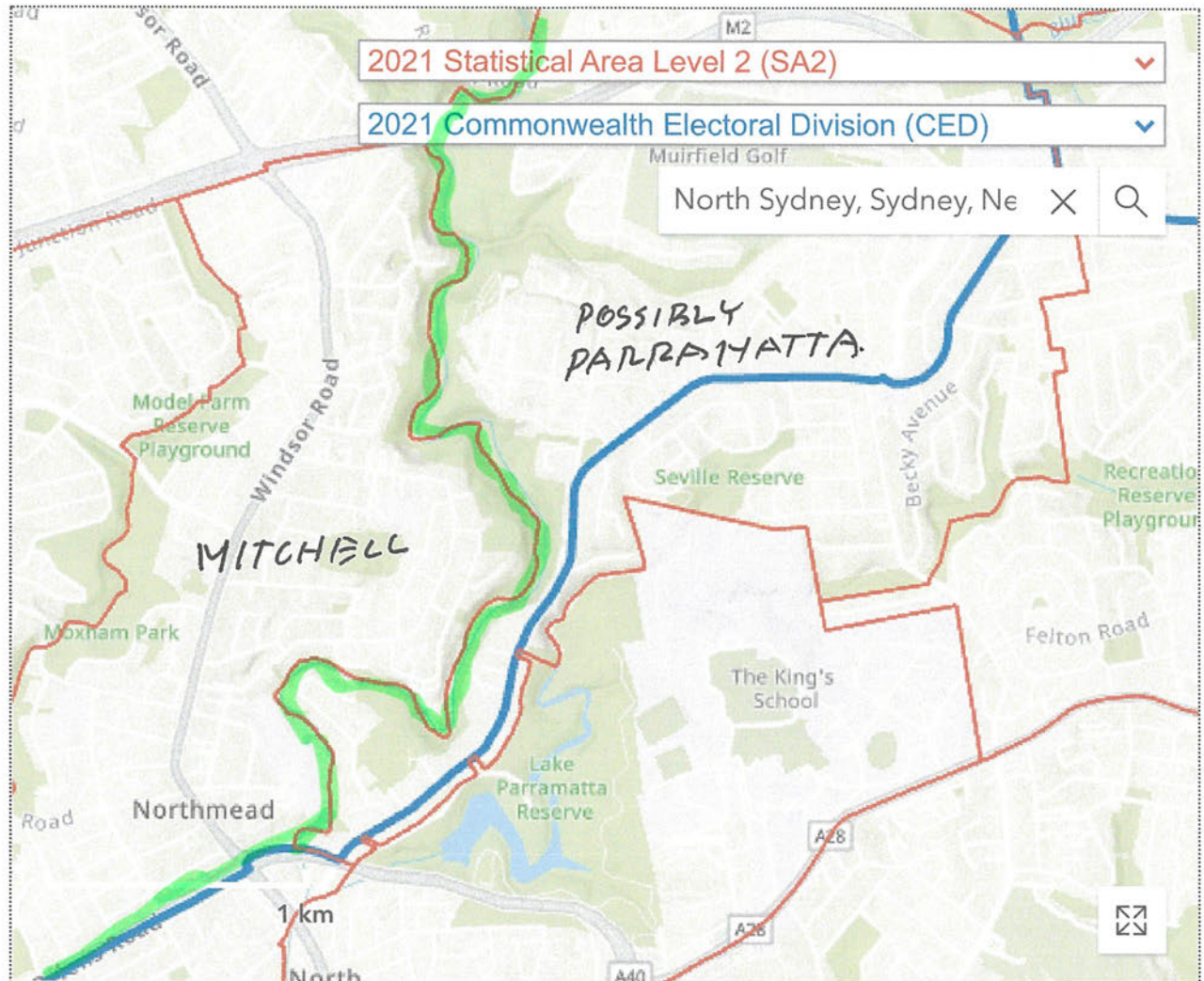


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Greenway

I have not detailed any suggestions, however note there are 1,377 projected voters from Box Hill – Nelson and Pitt Town – McGraths Hill SA2's from the existing Division of Mitchell need to be transferred to adjoining Division.

Adjoining divisions are the Divisions of Greenway and Macquarie.

Parramatta

I have not detailed any suggestions, however note there are 7,201 projected voters from West Pennant Hills SA2 in the existing Division of Berowra, and 4,962 projected voters from North Rocks and West Pennant Hills in the existing Division of Mitchell to be transferred to a Division.

The adjoining Division is Parramatta,

If they were transferred to the existing Division of Parramatta it would bring existing Division to 131,733 projected voters, which is 101.64% of a quota, and would not need any further adjustments.

Mackellar

I do not suggest any changes to the proposed Division of Mackellar.

Conclusion

I have have enclosed general descriptions of how my suggested divisions are constituted.

Maps:-

I have enclosed maps setting out my suggested Divisions.

The 'green line' on the AEC maps indicate where I believe the boundary would be.

The 'green line' on the ABS maps show a more accurate of my suggested boundaries.

I thank you for the opportunity to submit this 'objection' to the proposed boundaries in New South Wales.

Yours faithfully,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of R. J. Richardson.

R .J. Richardson