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Subject: The Redistribution Committee - Round Two Comments

Chair

The Country Liberal Party (NT) has reviewed the second Redistribution Report delivered by the Redistribution Committee.

We raise **objection to the removal** of the Timber Creek township and it's surrounds from Gwoja.

We believe it SHOULD NOT be placed back in Daly.

Gwoja is 1.9% below quota.

Daly is already 3.9% over quota.

Despite the recent uptake / increase in voter registrations for Gwoja, prospects of voter growth across the communities covered is unlikely to exceed other divisions.

We believe Gwoja will sustain a reasonably stable population of voters within the division.

NTEC does not list separate voter numbers for Timber Creek (RAMP 1 / 2).

The Census 2021 shows less than 280 people.

We suggest a maximum 200 voters at this time for the town area.

The addition of Timber Creek voters might place Gwoja at say 1.6% over quota BUT would reduce Daly to 0.6% over quota.

Daly then has room to absorb out of Goyder if that division needs to adapt to Palmerston growth.

Daly has mineral and other developments within the Division that facilitate population growth in its regions.

Daly has townships placed across the Division.

Gwoja currently has only the township of Yulara and that at it's central south.

Timber Creek would see a township at its central north.

There are no other gazette towns within the division boundaries.

Timber Creek infrastructure supports the town and district needs, remote travelling public, tourists, and many of the residents living in other communities to the north of Gwoja.

It's ideally placed to be the northern town for Gwoja.

We believe this adjustment can provide voting stability for the people in the Timber Creek area for many years.

CLP recommends Timber Creek township be put back in Gwoja Division.

The Gwoja / Daly boundary to follow the Victoria River across the Victoria Highway, to a point where it's practical for the boundary to run due east to the Barclay boundary at / or below where that division borders with Arnhem.

Sincerely

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