ATT: Secretary to the Electoral Distribution Commissioners

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RE: State Redistribution and the Addition of New Seats

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you regarding the State Redistribution of Electoral Seats. My submission will include this written report and maps of pertinent areas to support my arguments. Please note that this is a personal submission and is representative of my own views only.

In analysing the materials that have been made available via the WAEC, it has become clear that there have been high levels of population growth in the Northern Suburbs. The Seat of Wanneroo has grown quite significantly since the last election where it now has a population of over 31,000 electors.

The northern suburbs have become a natural area of growth over the years for people moving into Western Australia. Historically there has been cheaper land available for new immigrants with bigger block sizes than can be found closer to the city. The general open air community with a close proximity to the ocean has resulted in many families from all over the world moving to areas such as the Seats of Wanneroo and Mindarie.

If we are to look at the levels of population in these areas already we see that the numbers are rising. As stated before Wanneroo's population is over 31,000. If we look at other seats in the area Mindarie has 27,119 electors, Ocean Reef 24,215, Hillarys 24,081 and Joondalup 23,041. At the time of the 2007 Redistribution the Northern Metropolitan Region had 312,578 electors. According to the figures provided the current population sits at 343,929, this represents a staggering growth of over 10% in just four years.

Over the next few years these northern districts will see ever increasing numbers of housing developments being built as more land is made available for new housing. This re-enforces the very real concern, that the current arrangement of 42 metropolitan seats is unsustainable and needs to be adjusted to recognise the growth occurring.

At the same time we are seeing drops in population in Regional areas such as the Pilbara, Central Wheatbelt and Geraldton. Clearly people are moving away from these areas irrespective of circumstance. Mine workers are almost exclusively fly in fly out now and have clearly chosen to live in the northern suburbs.

It is my recommendation therefore that based on the above, a new seat be created in the northern metropolitan region. A new seat would effectively take the strain off the system and

would ensure that any future redistribution would not have to be as dramatic where even more seats would be created.

My proposal for this seat would be to occupy the northern part of the current seat of Wanneroo and to include the larger areas currently within the Mindarie electorate. The seat of Mindarie should be more coastal in nature as that has always been the nature of the area.

Wanneroo has always had a mixture of small agricultural and industrial areas. By extending this now to include those northern parts of the current Mindarie, it is able to ensure that the nature of the area remains connected with its historical aspects.

As can be seen from the maps provided, this new seat will bring the numbers down quite significantly. In order to make this work properly I have sought to ensure that the overall distribution of the northern suburbs provide a reasonable balance in surrounding areas. I would suggest naming this new seat "Neerabup". It is from the local Noongar people and refers to an old water area which was considered swampy or marshy in nature.

I have also provided maps for the Mining and Pastoral areas to indicate how the continued movement away from these areas will require boundary changes to ensure general populations are maintained.

I would urge the Commissioners to explore the viability of this proposal and to consider it in their decisions.

Yours Faithfully,

Jon Kelly

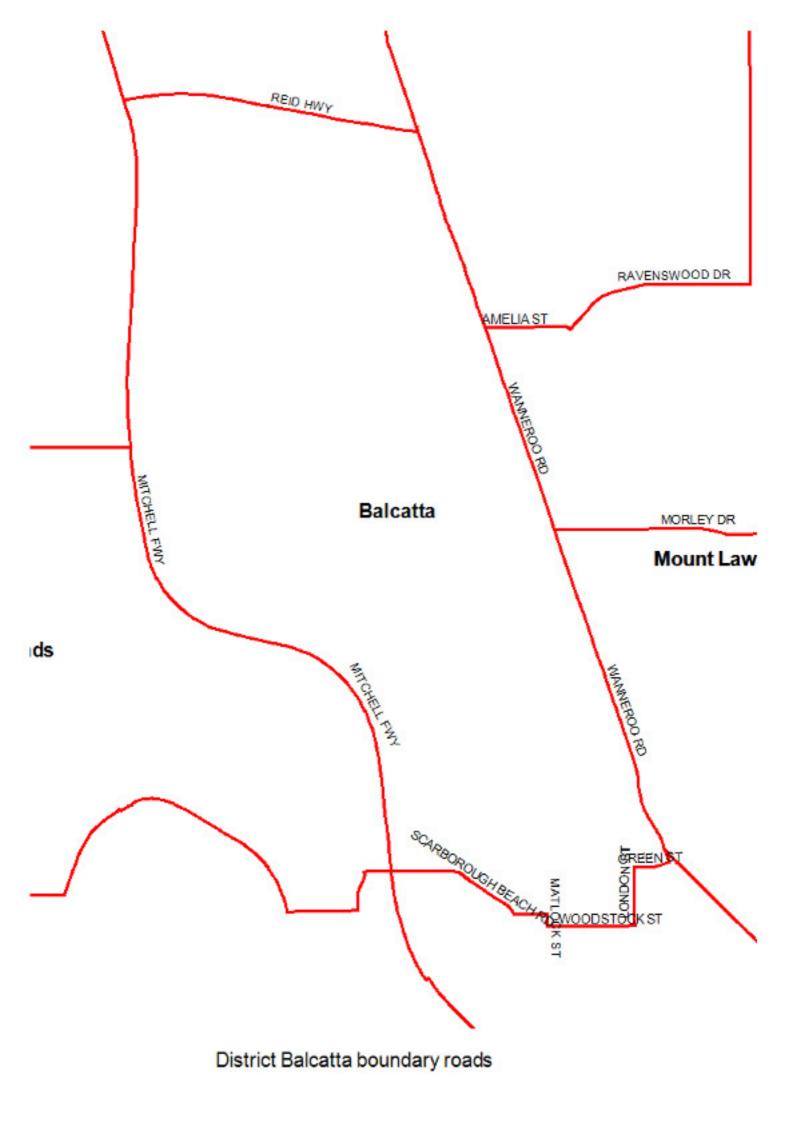
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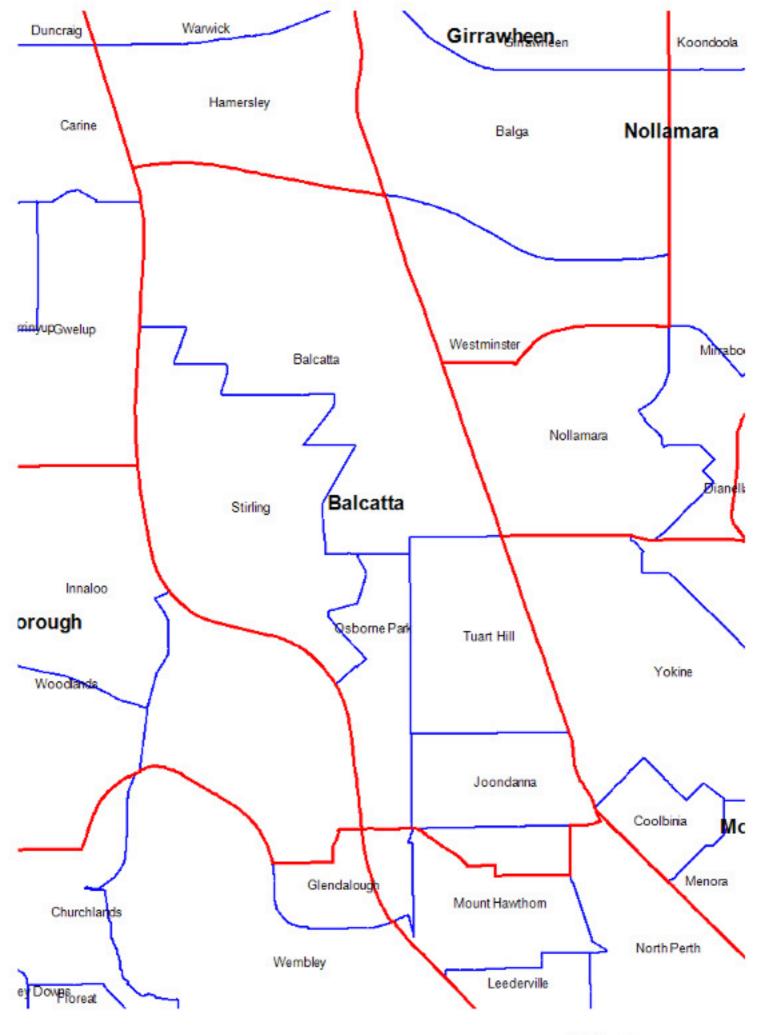
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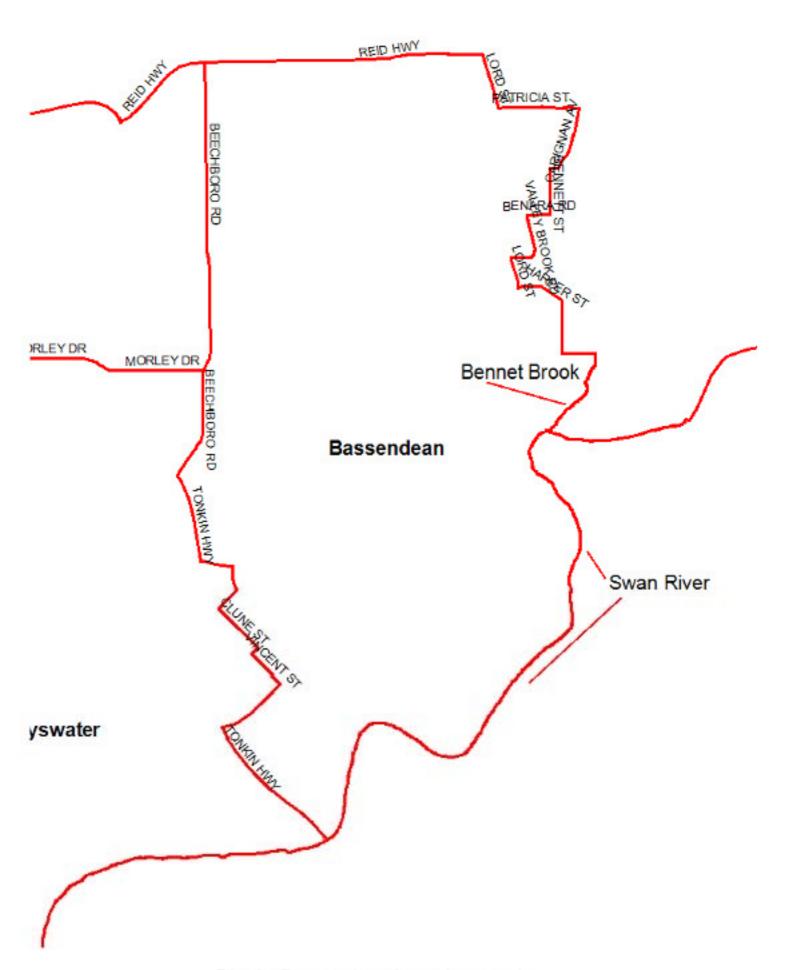
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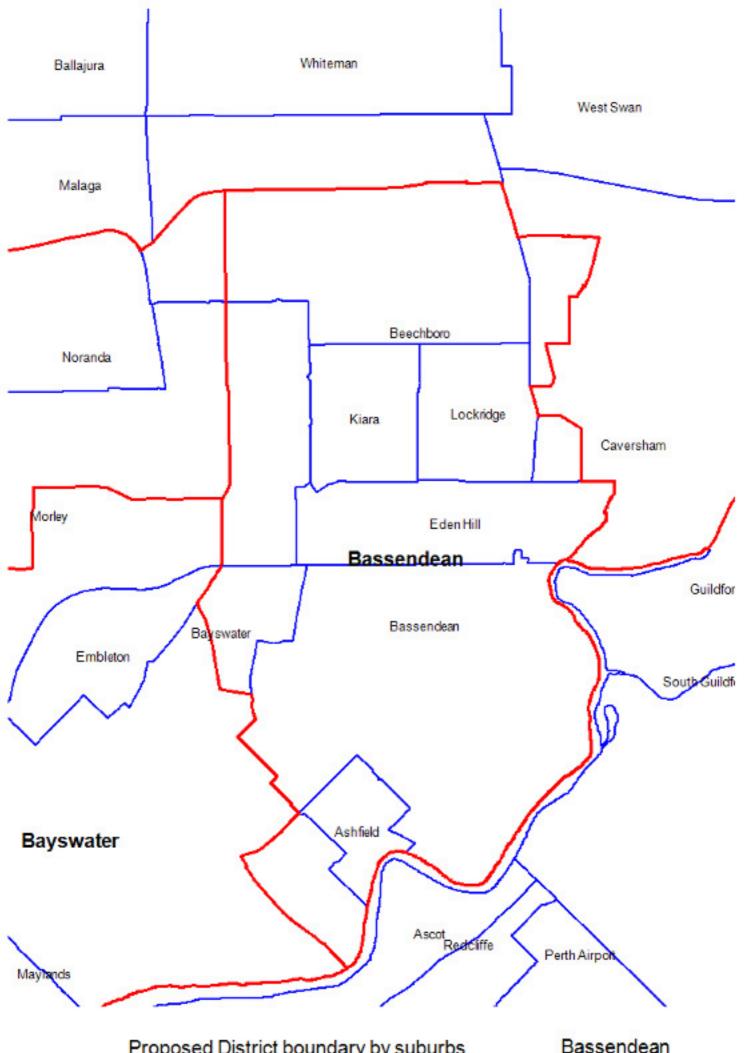
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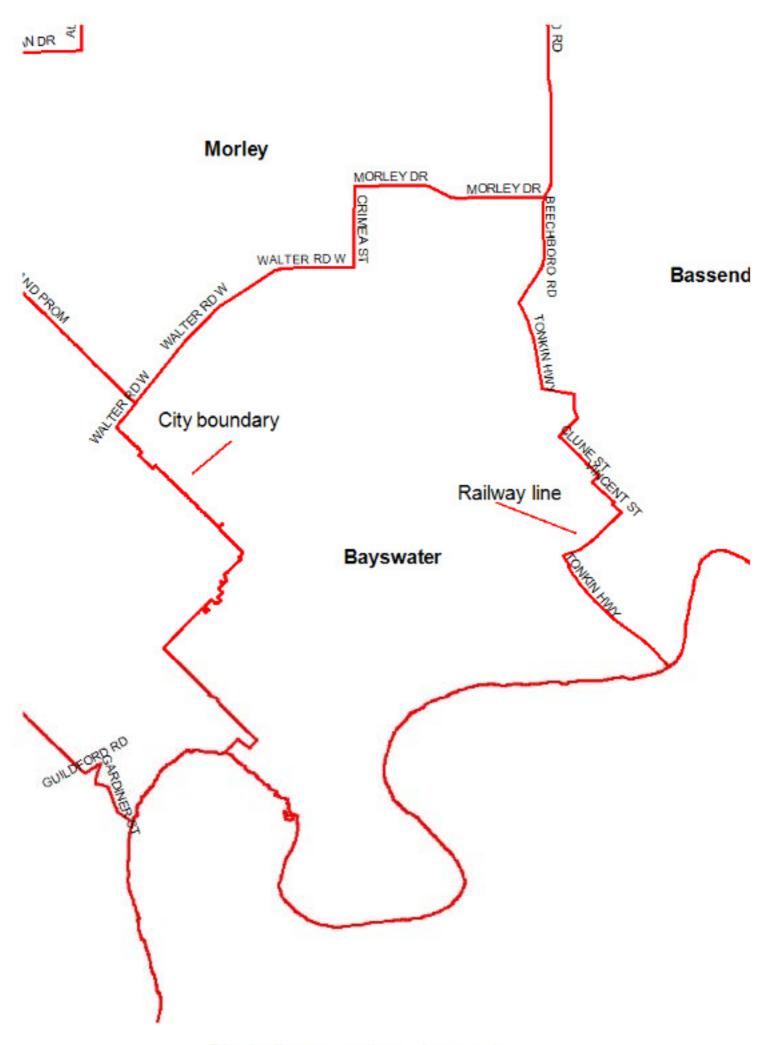


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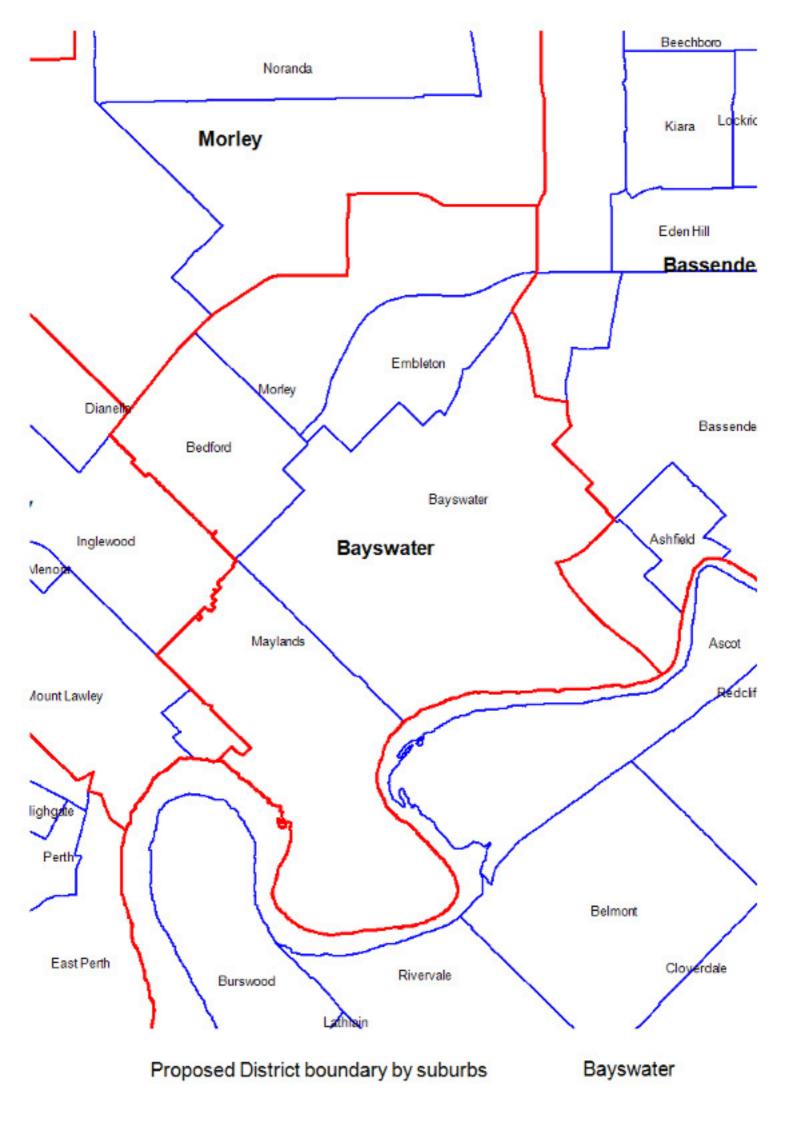


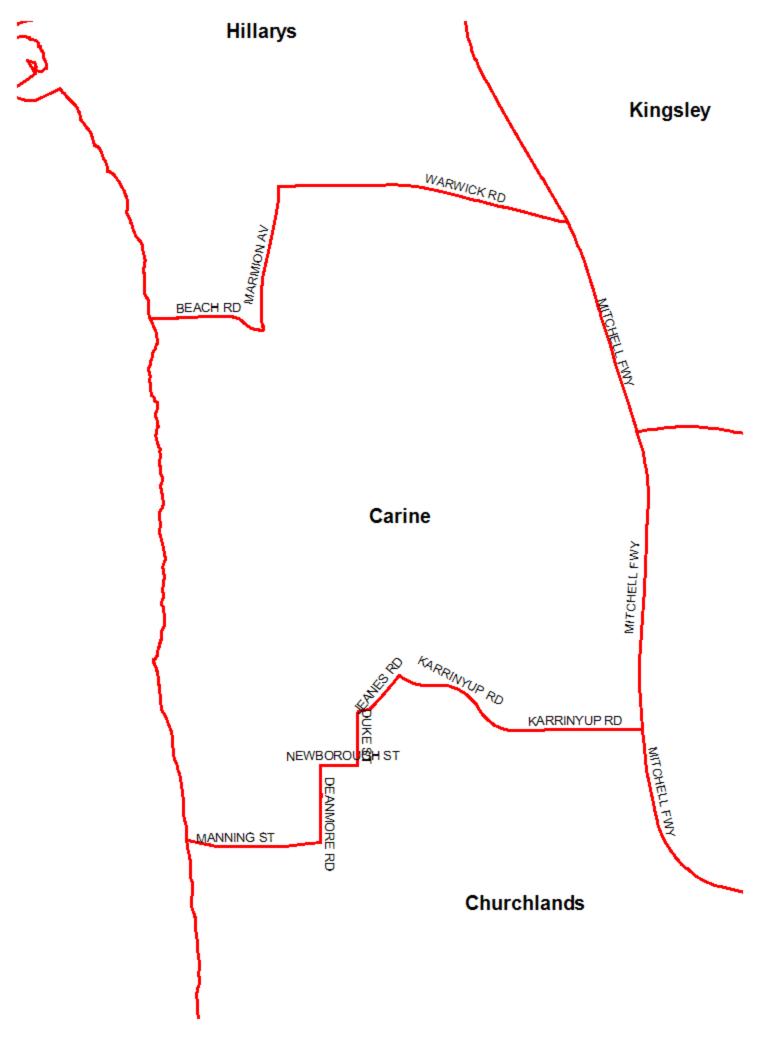
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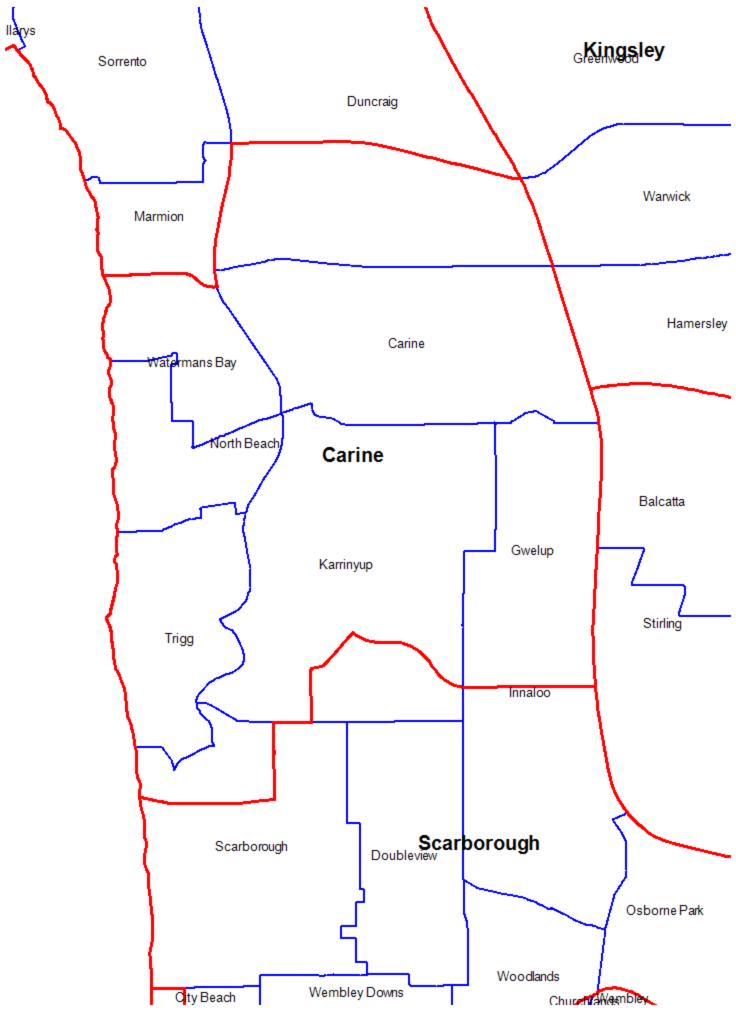


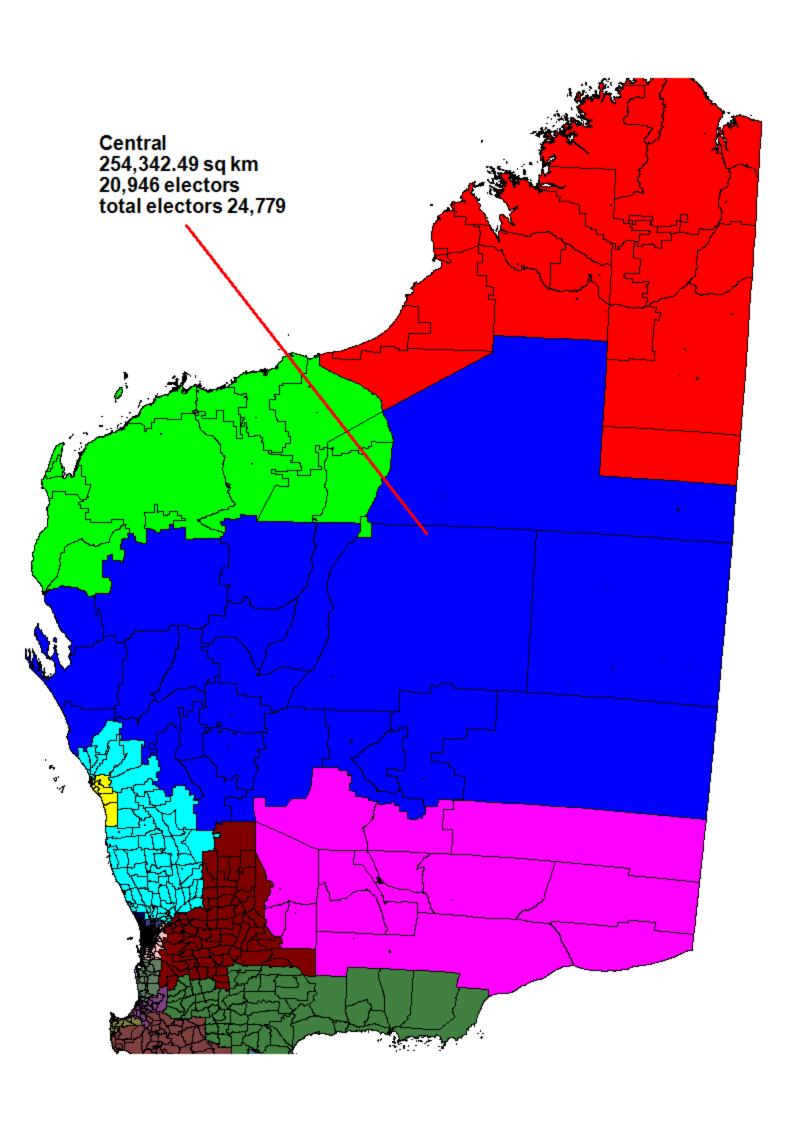
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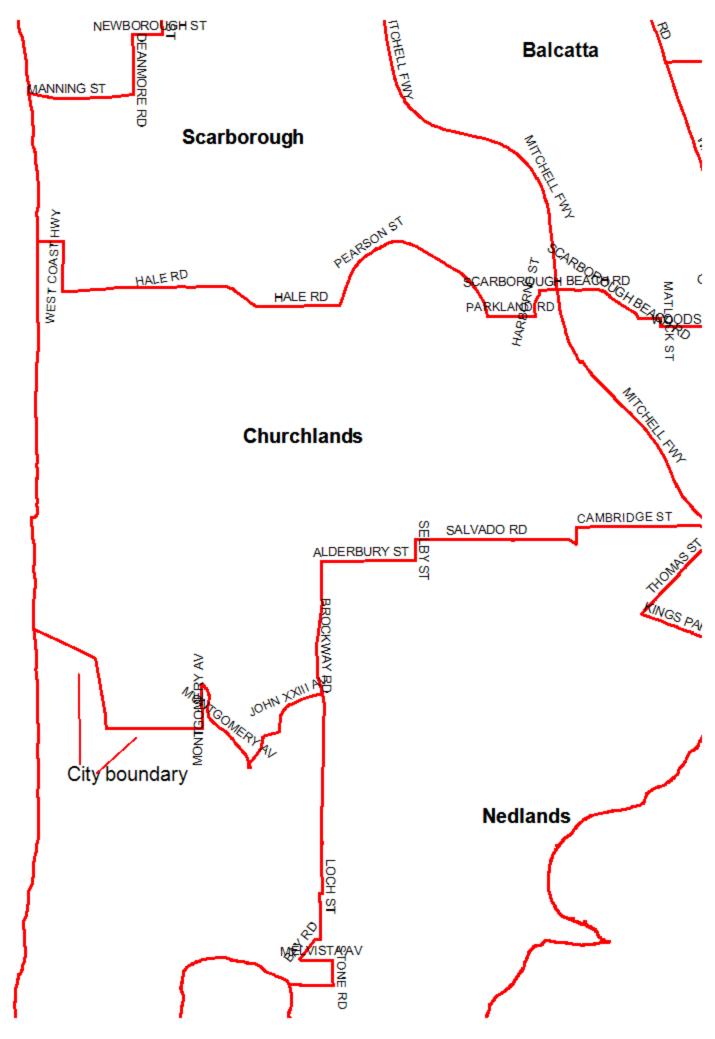




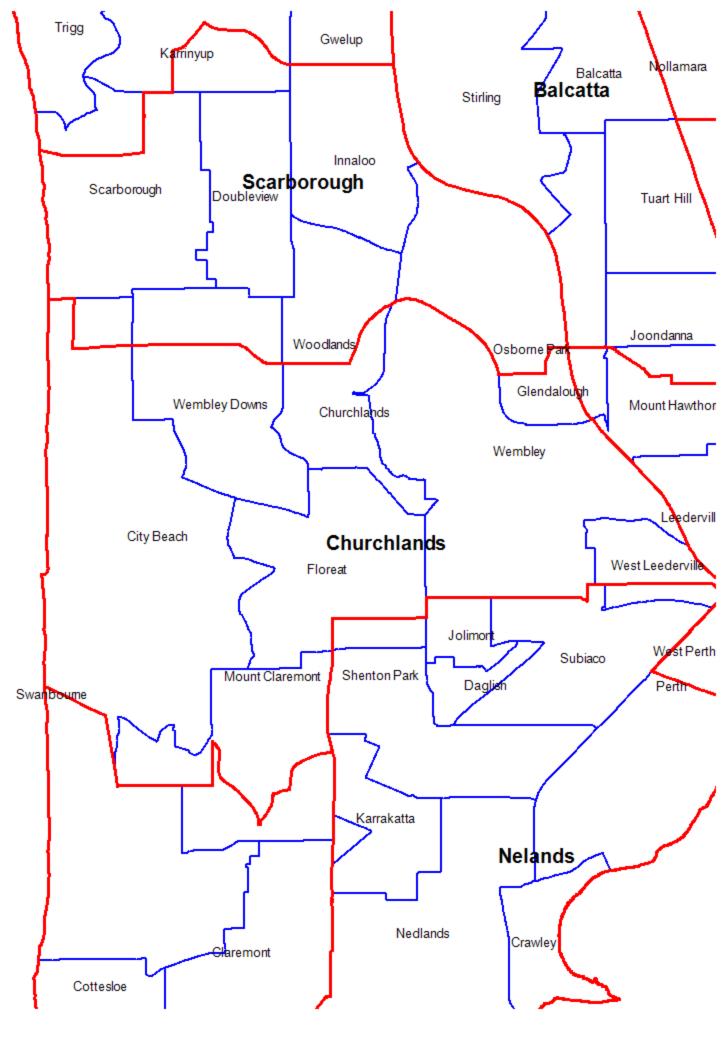
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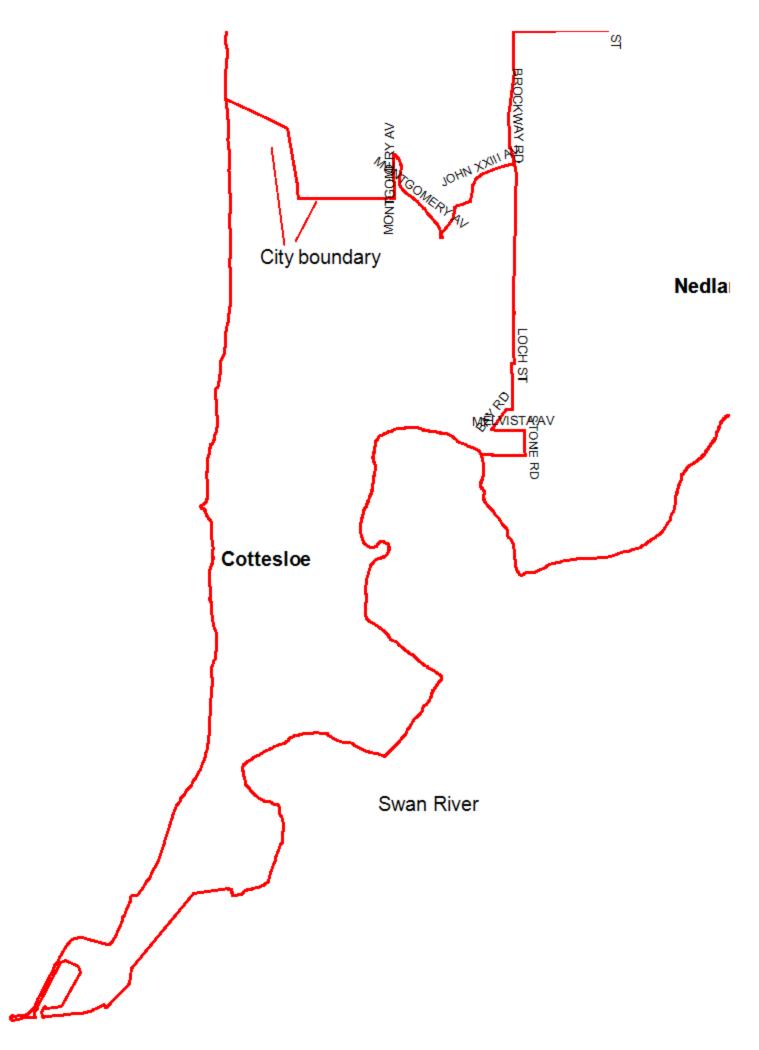




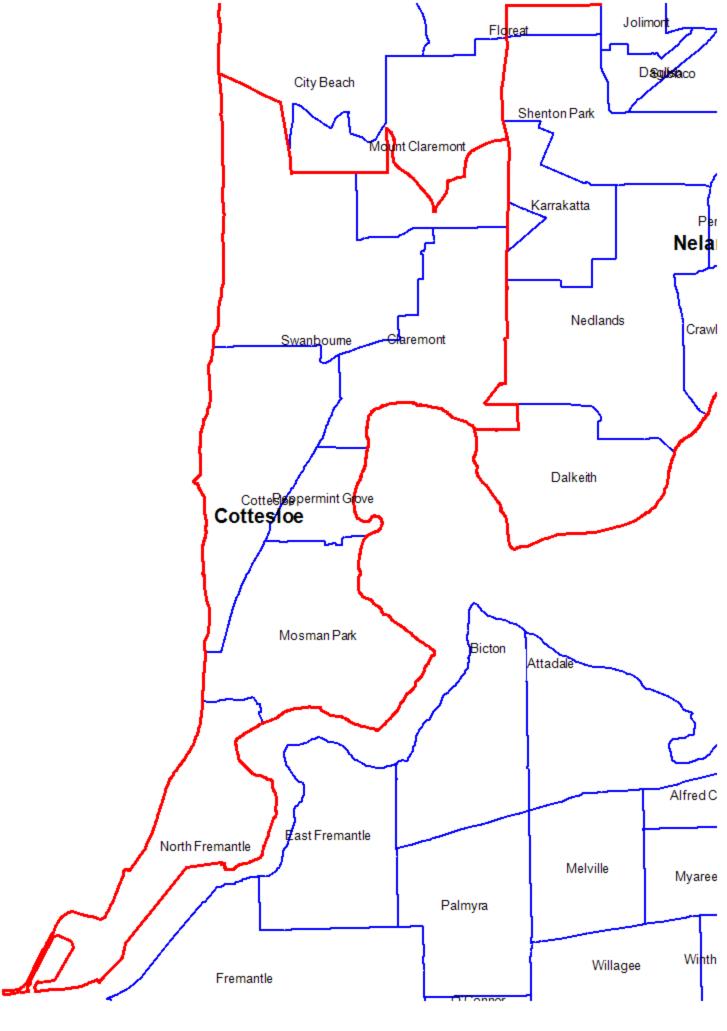


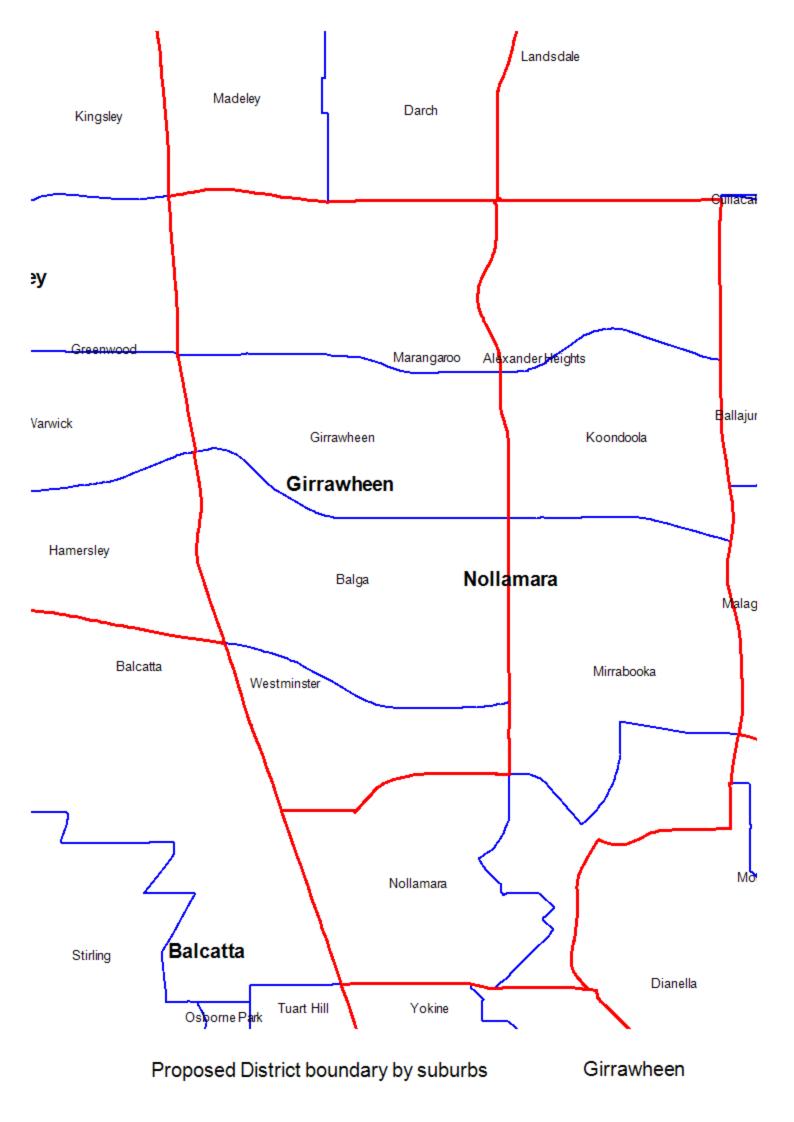
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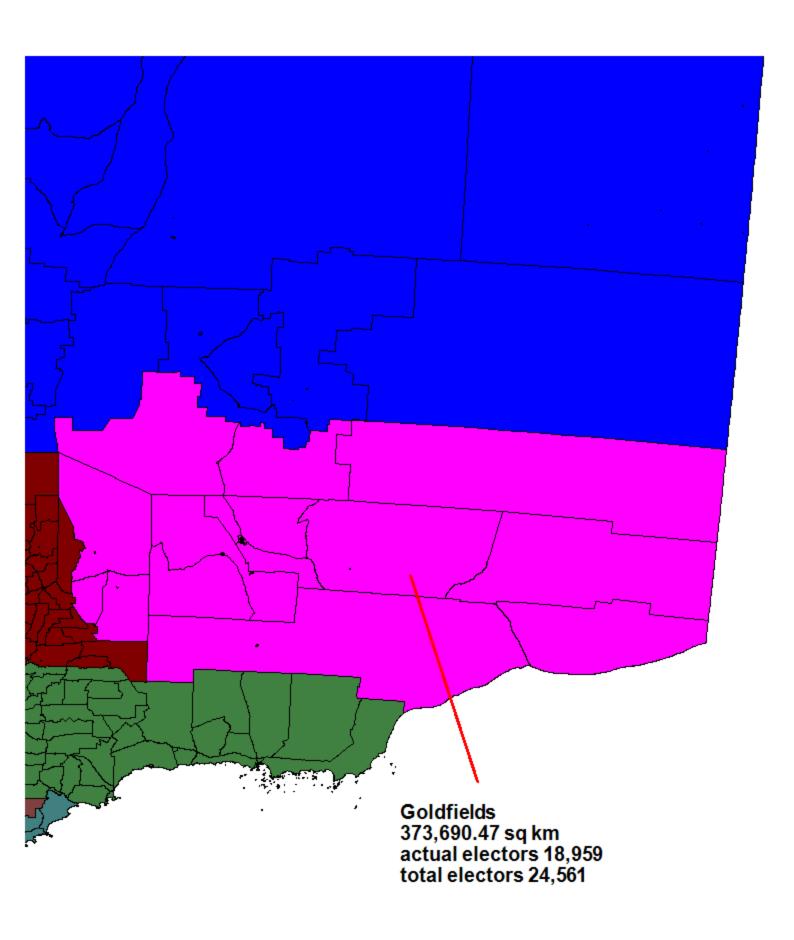


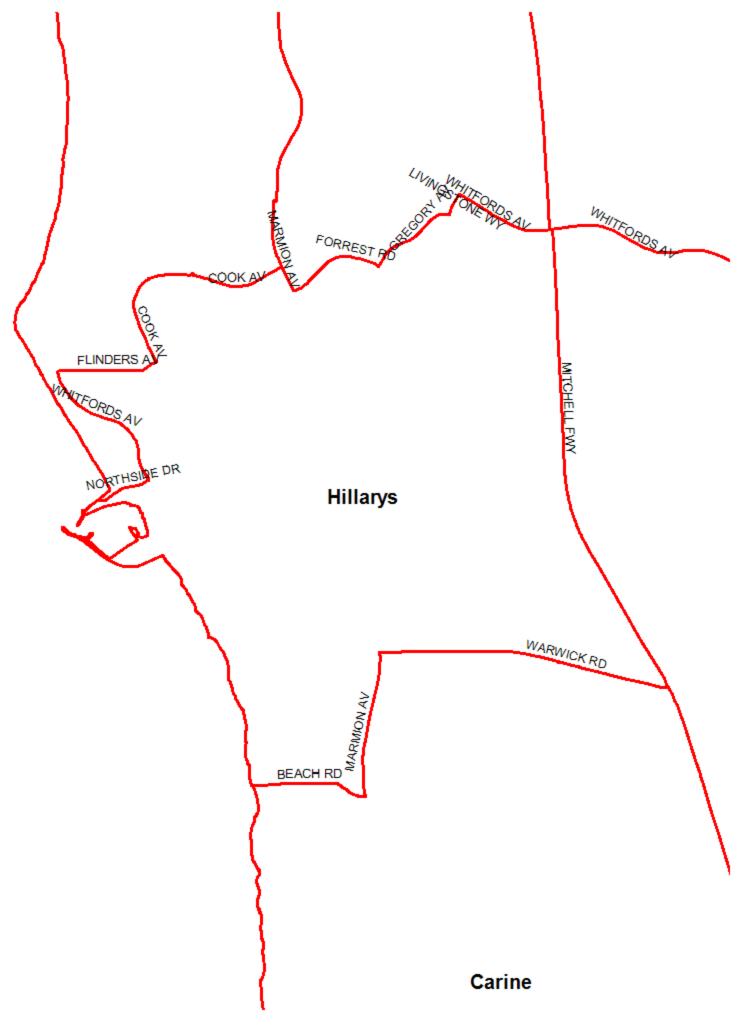


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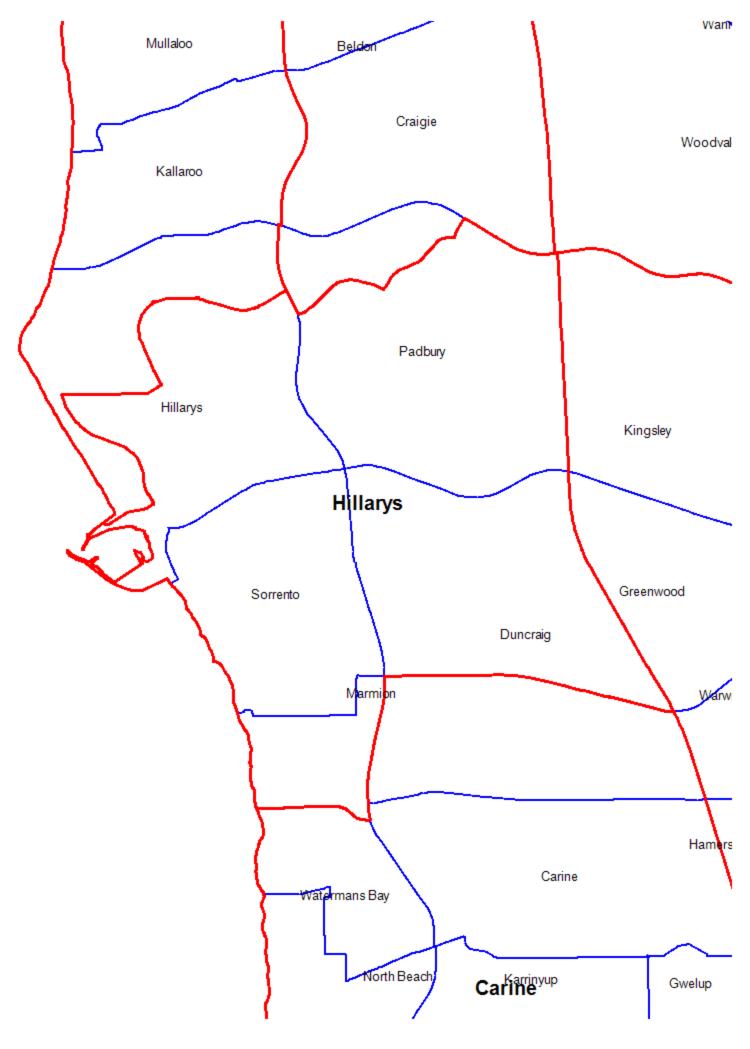


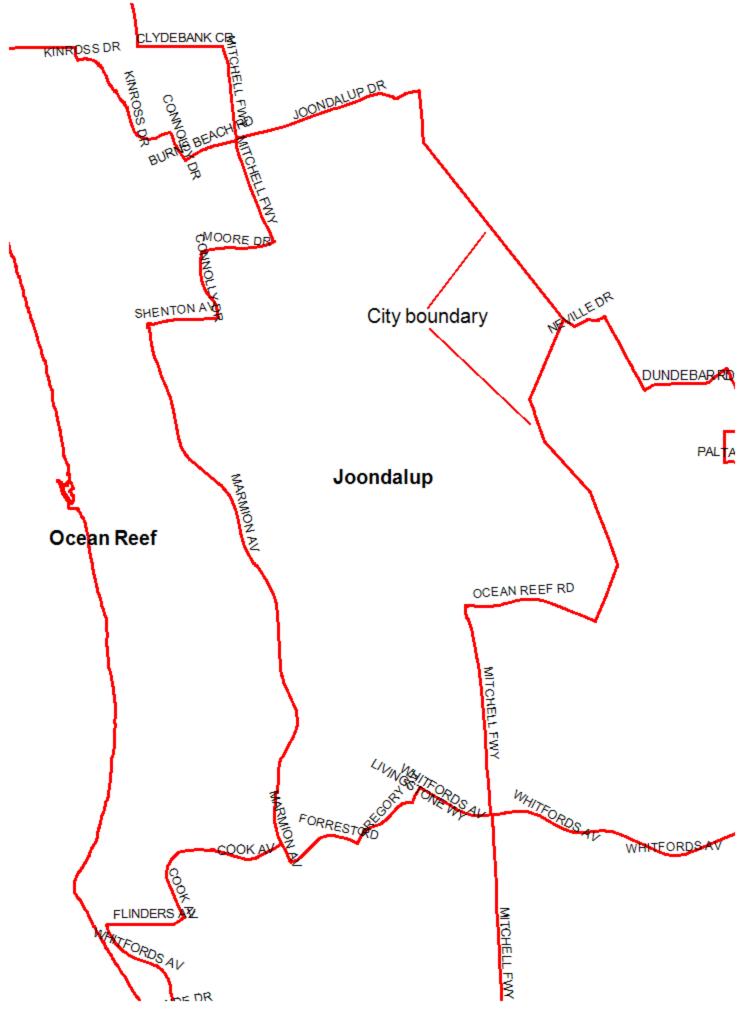




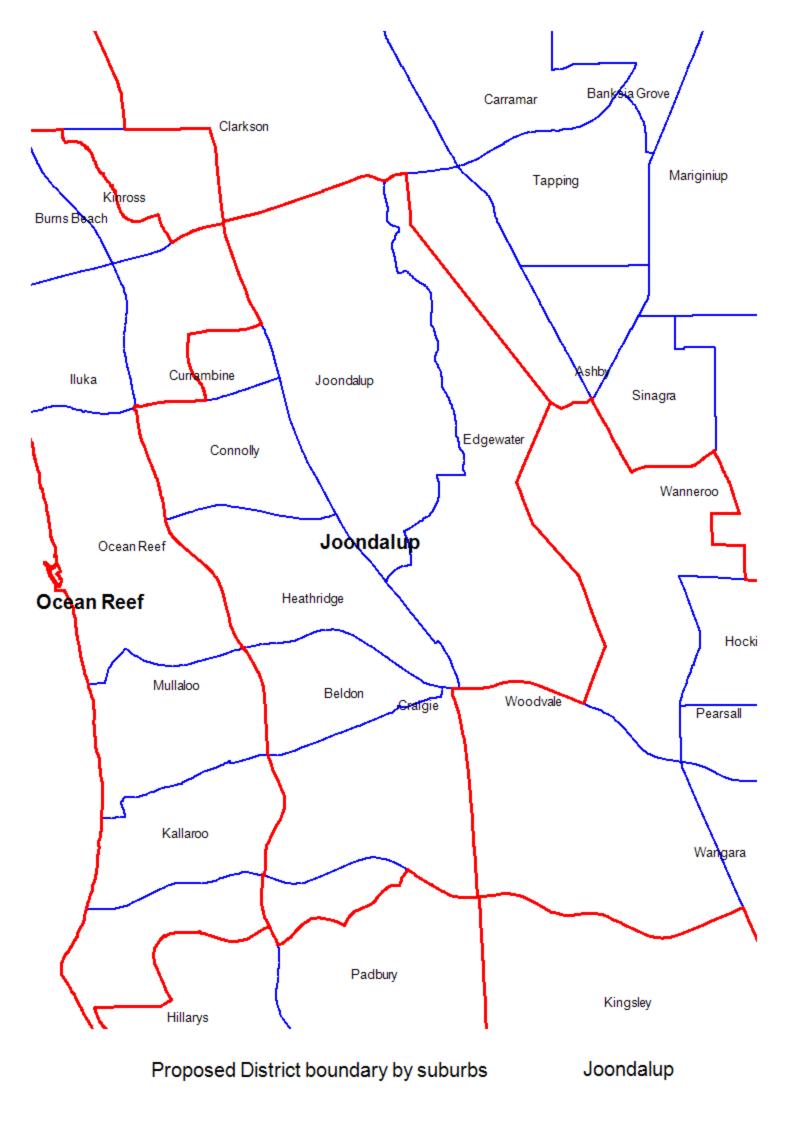


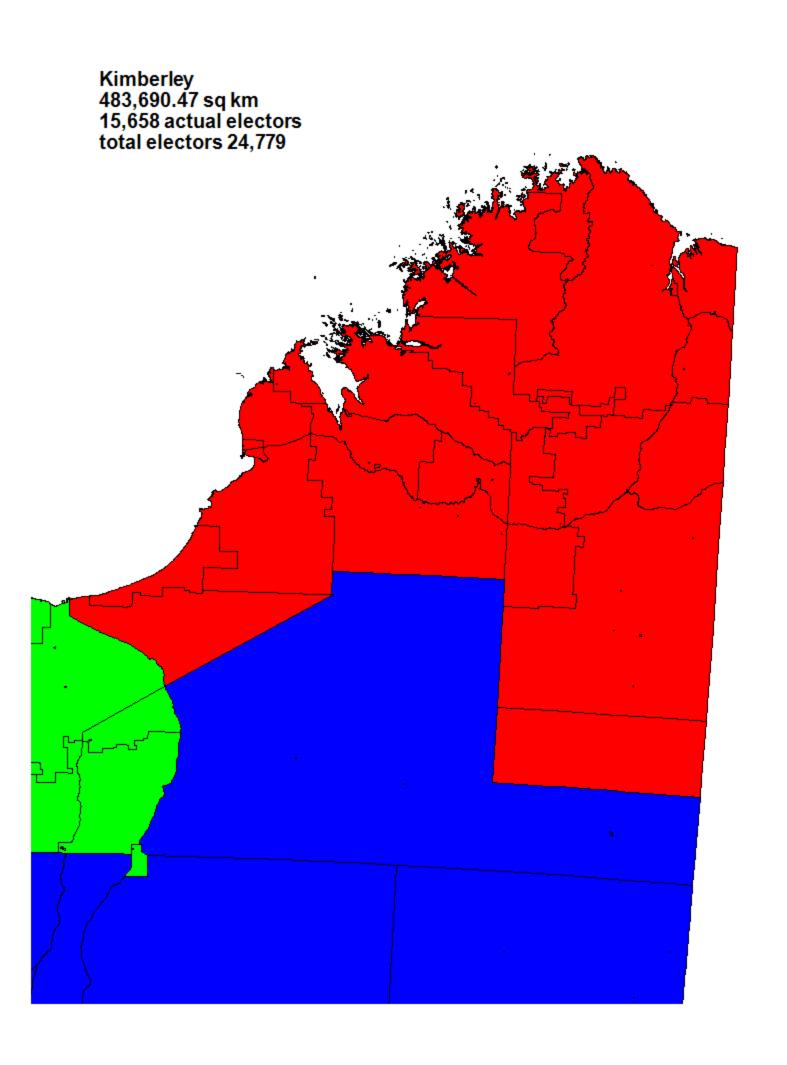
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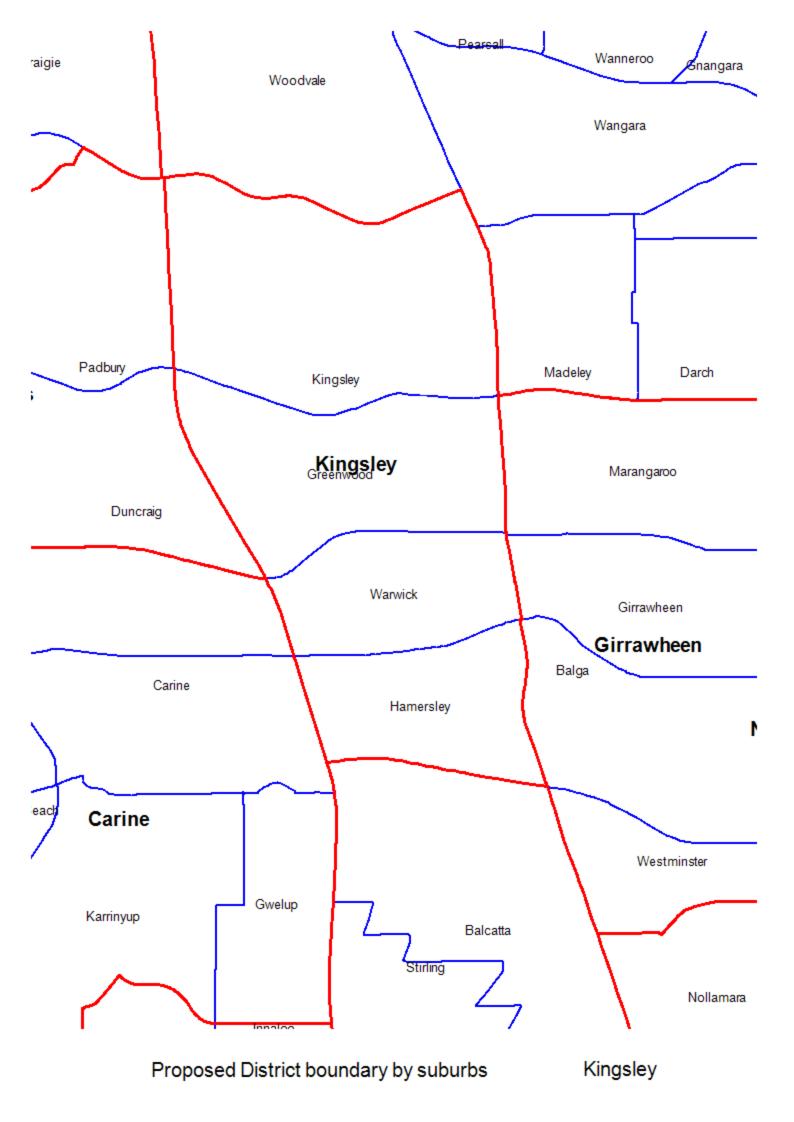
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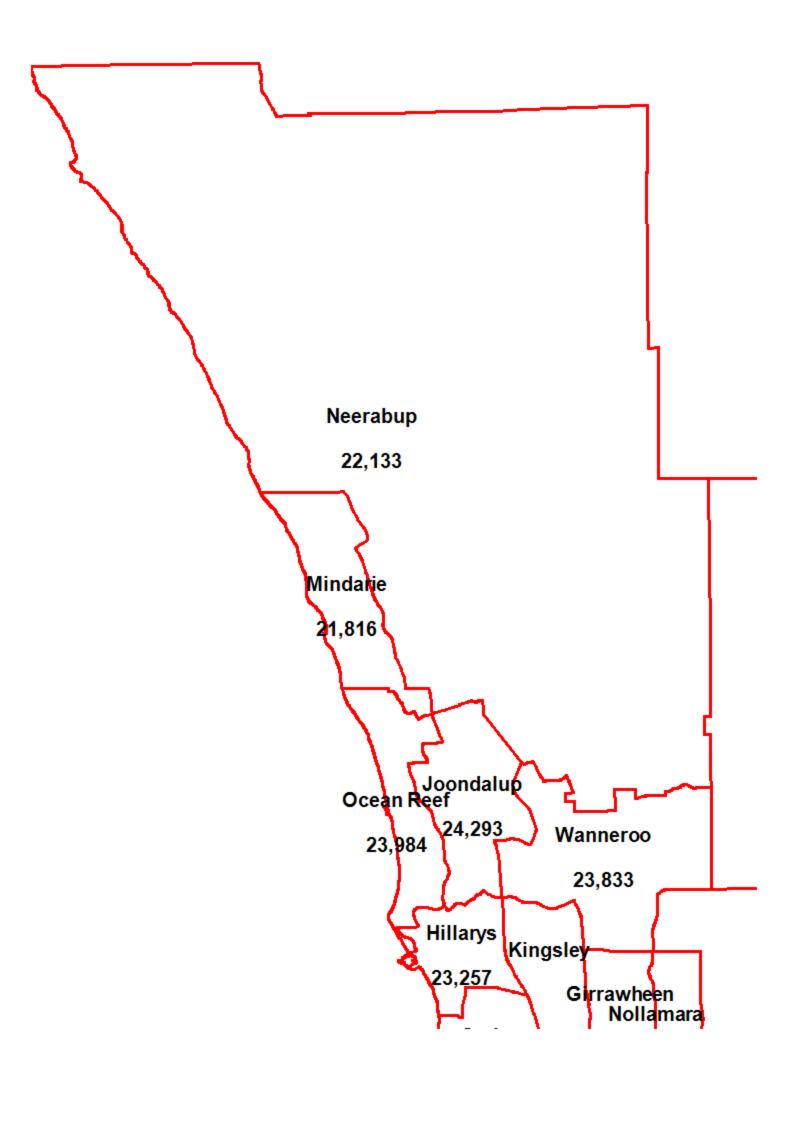


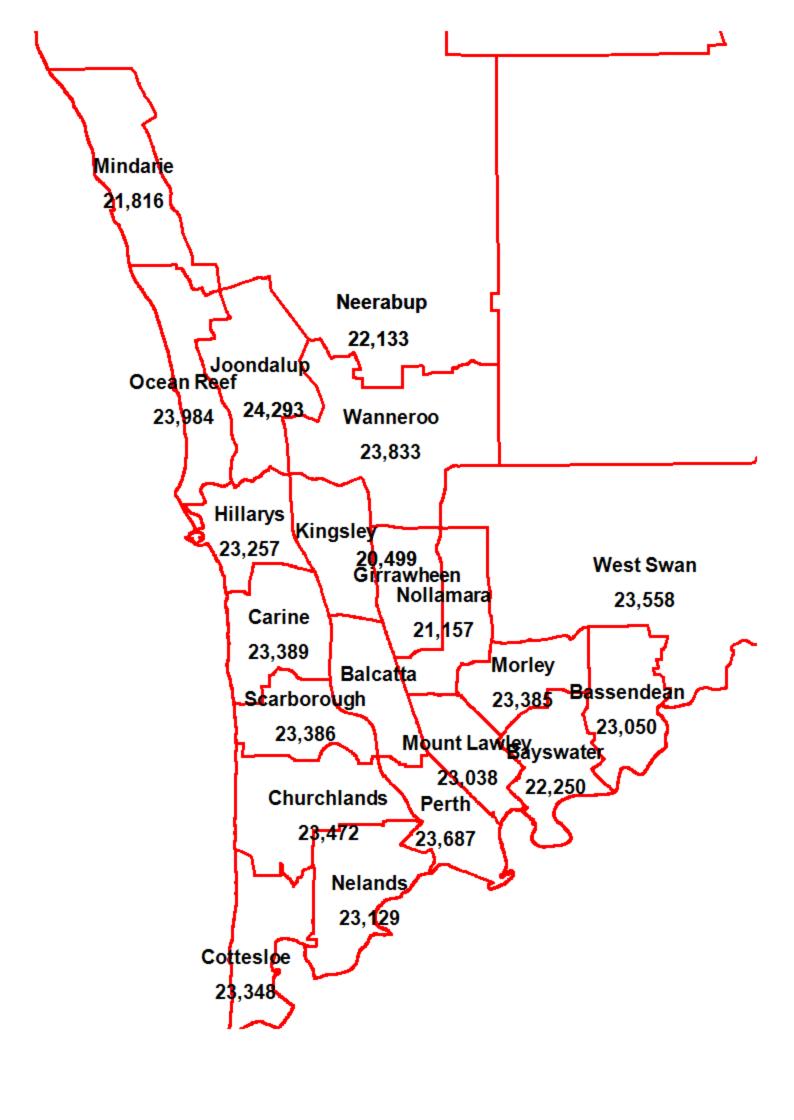


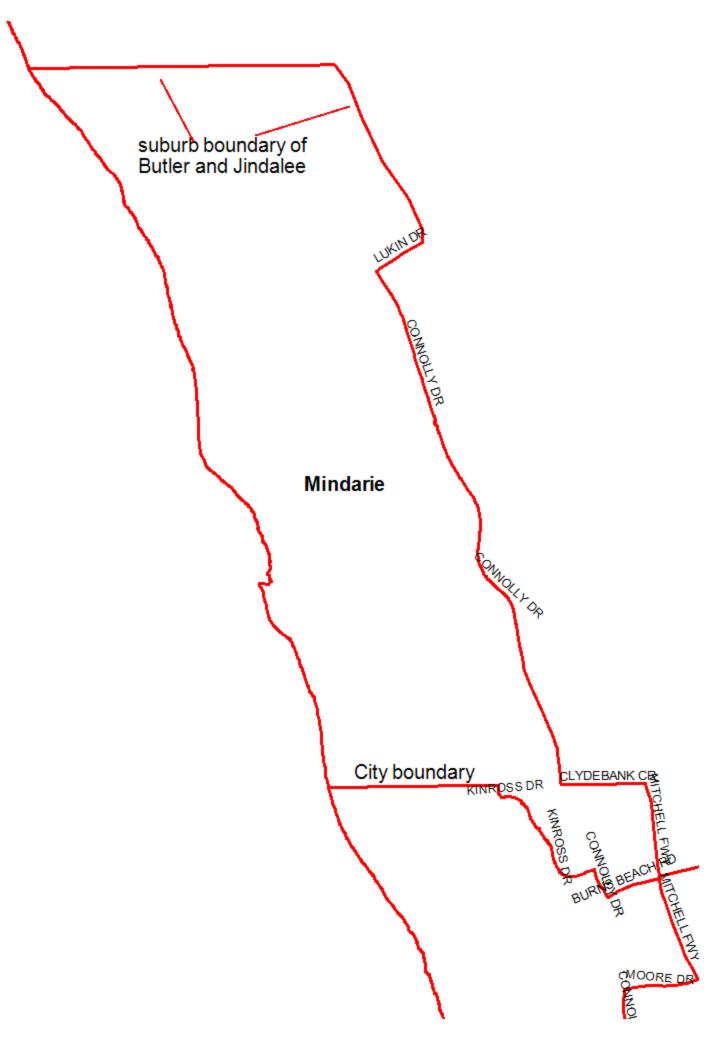


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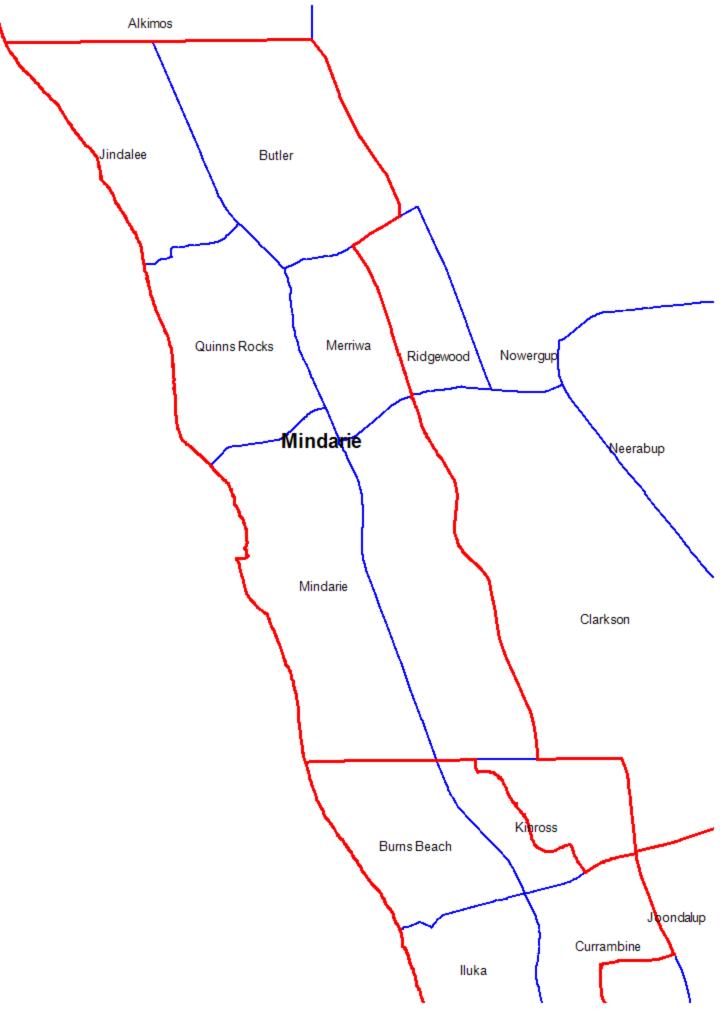


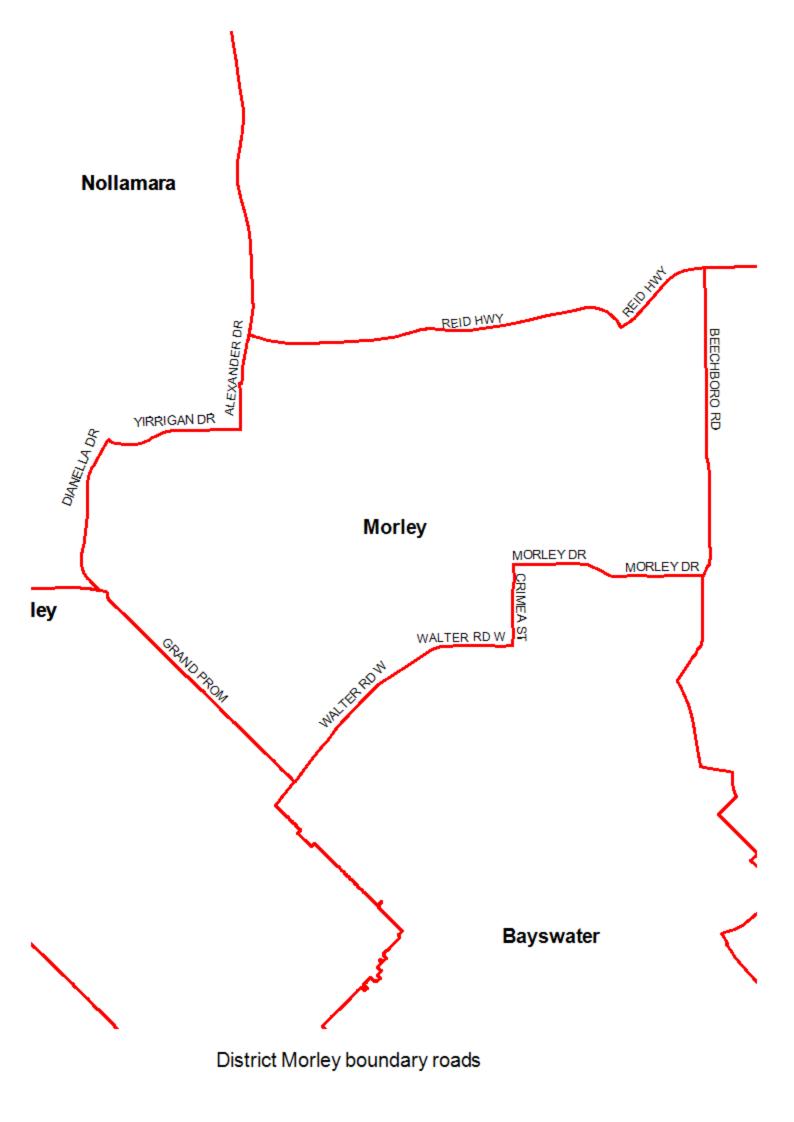


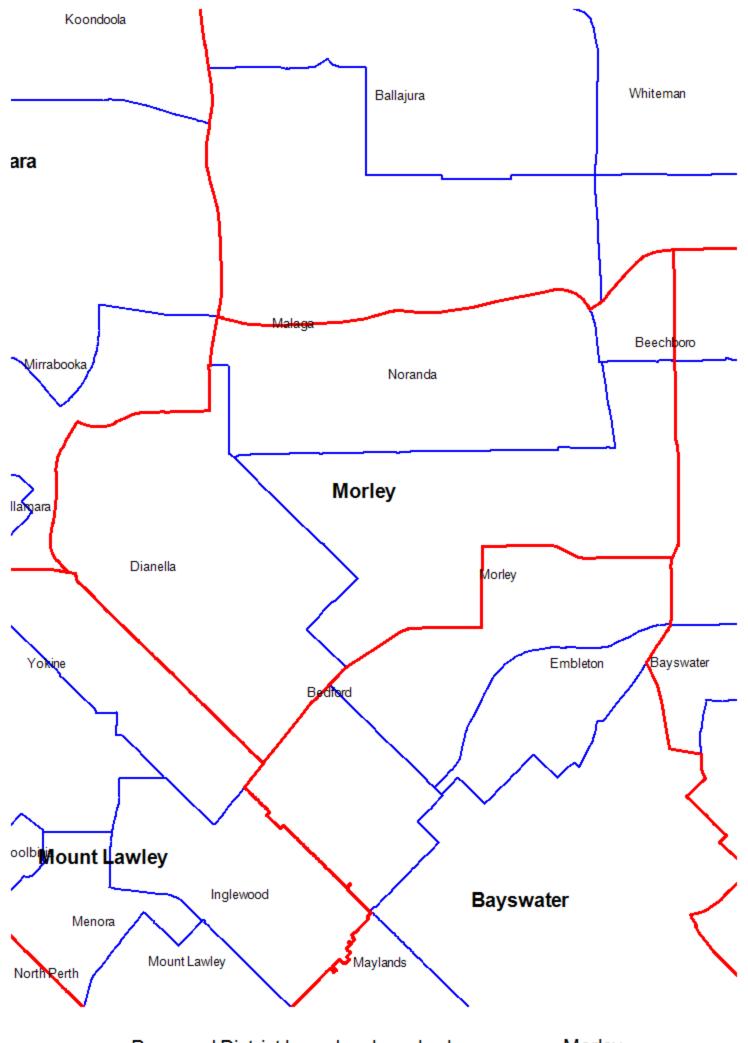


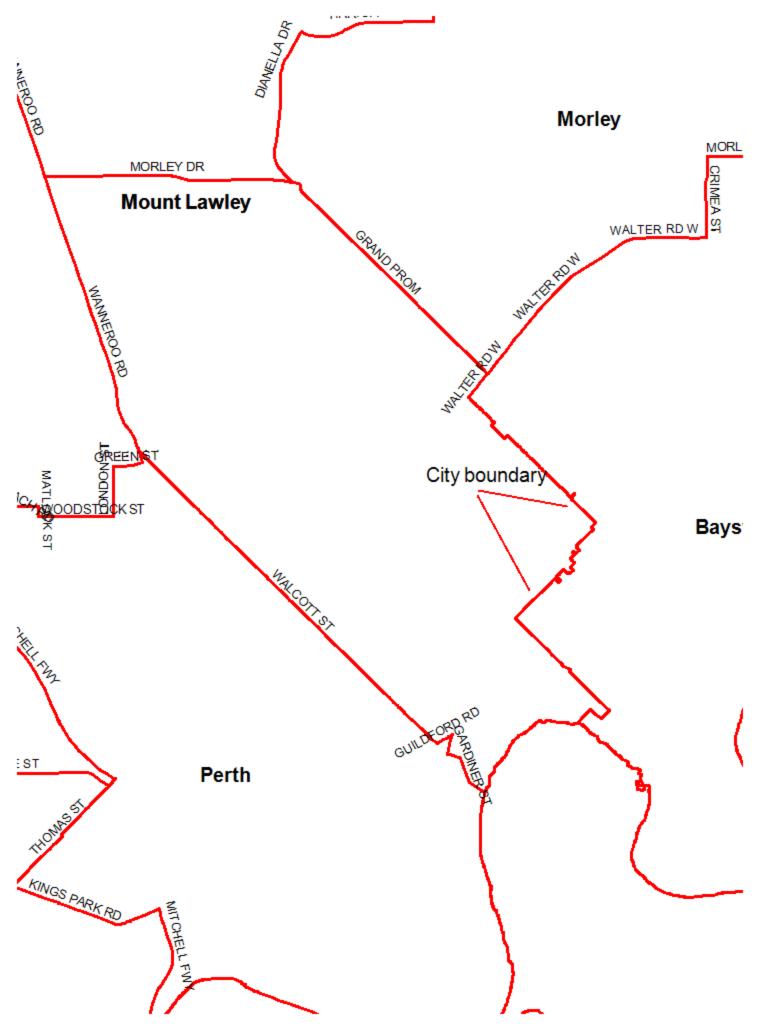


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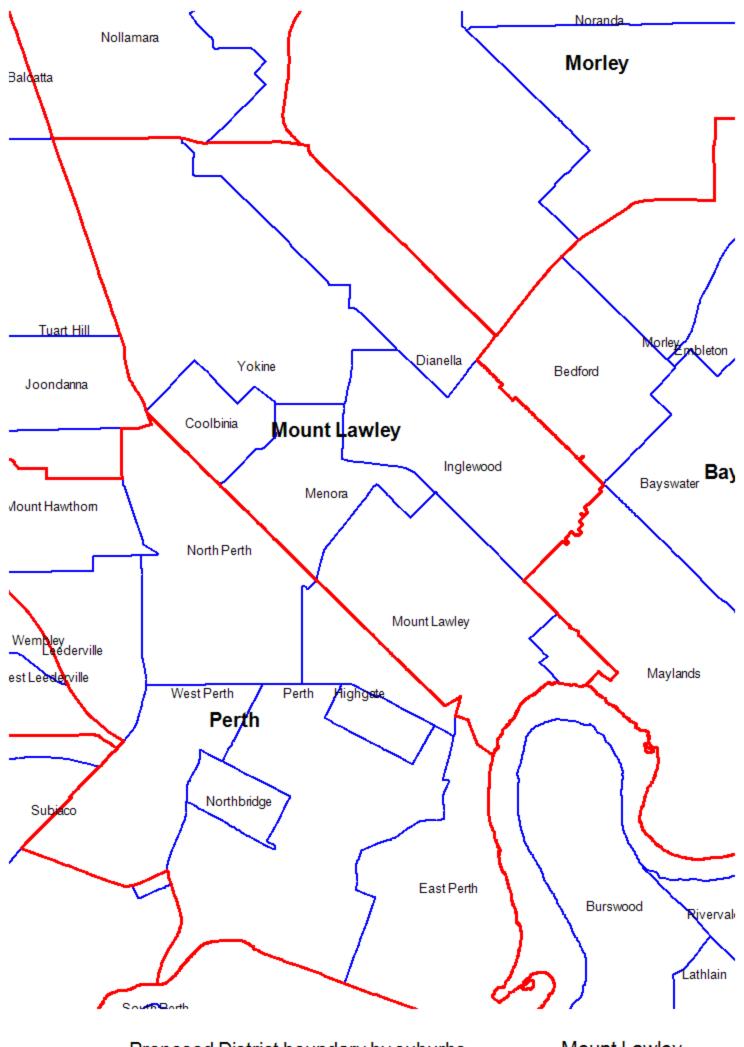






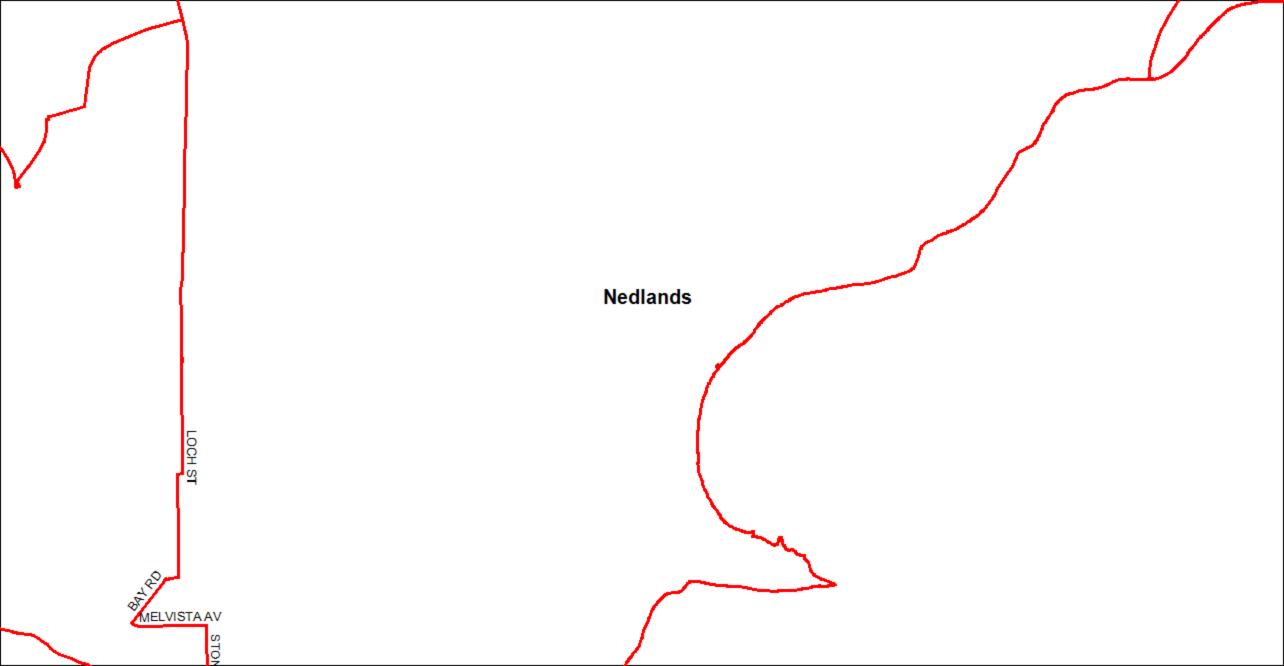


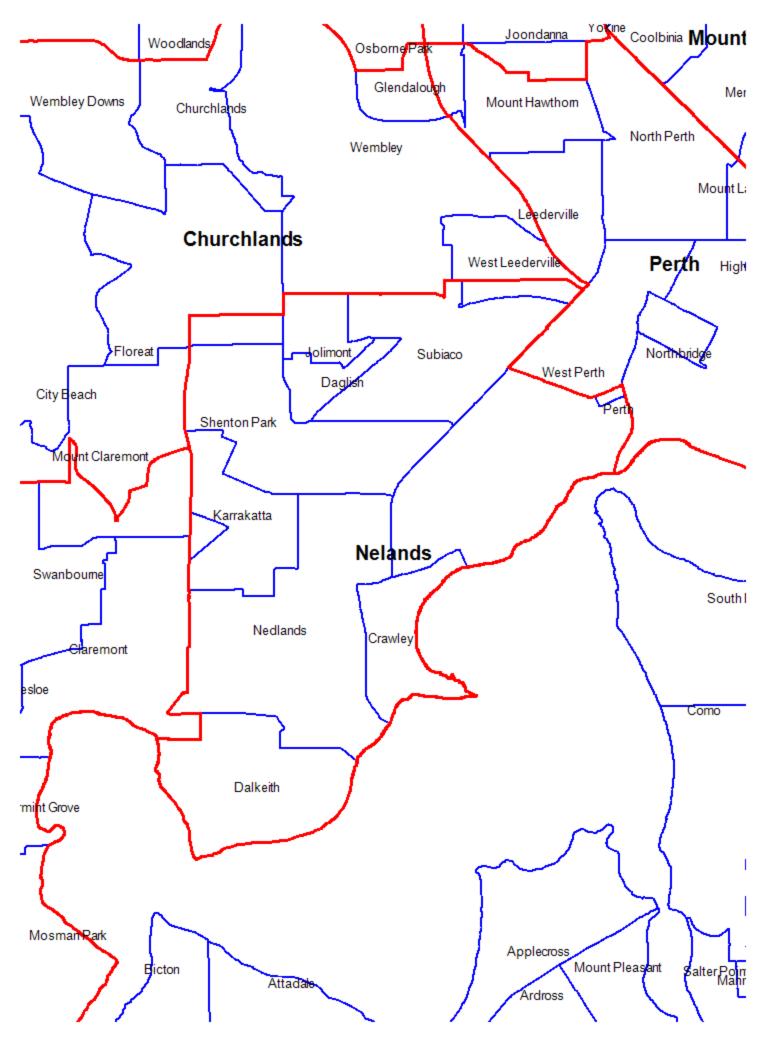
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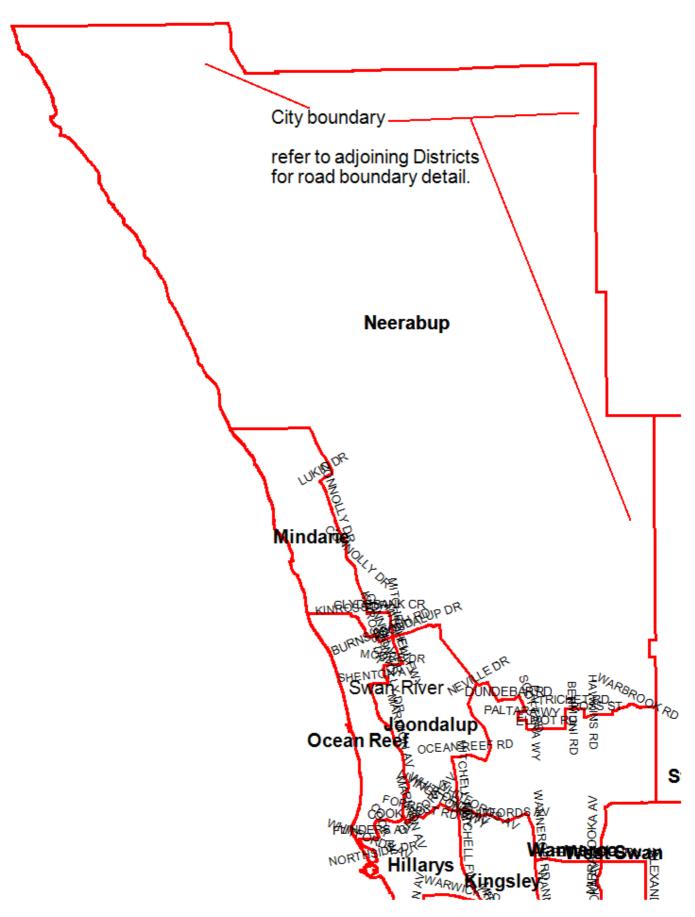


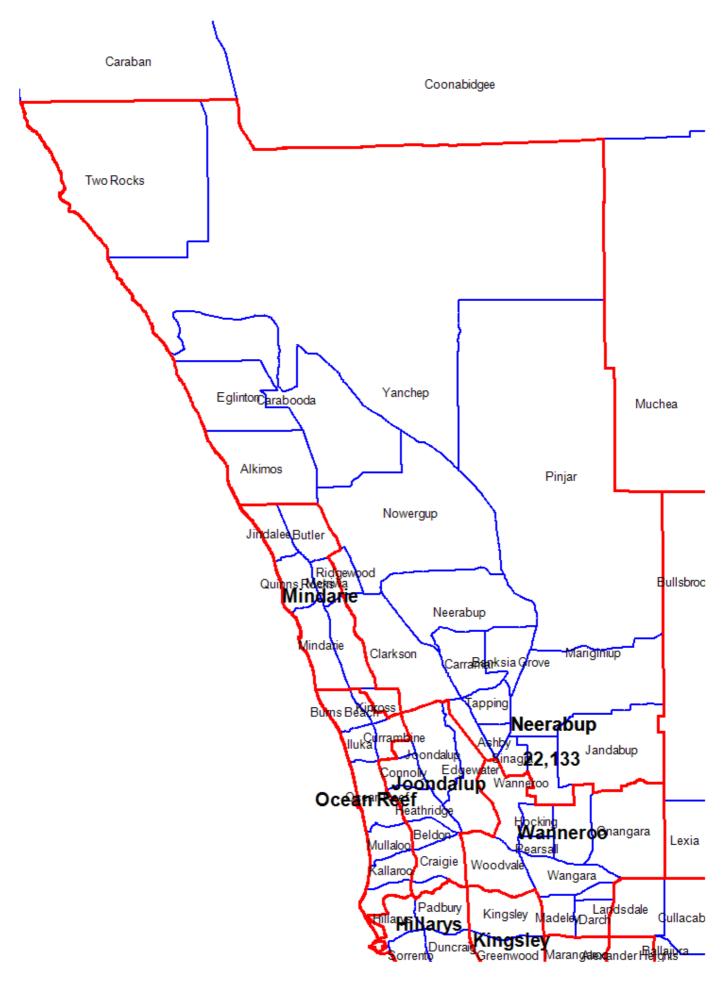
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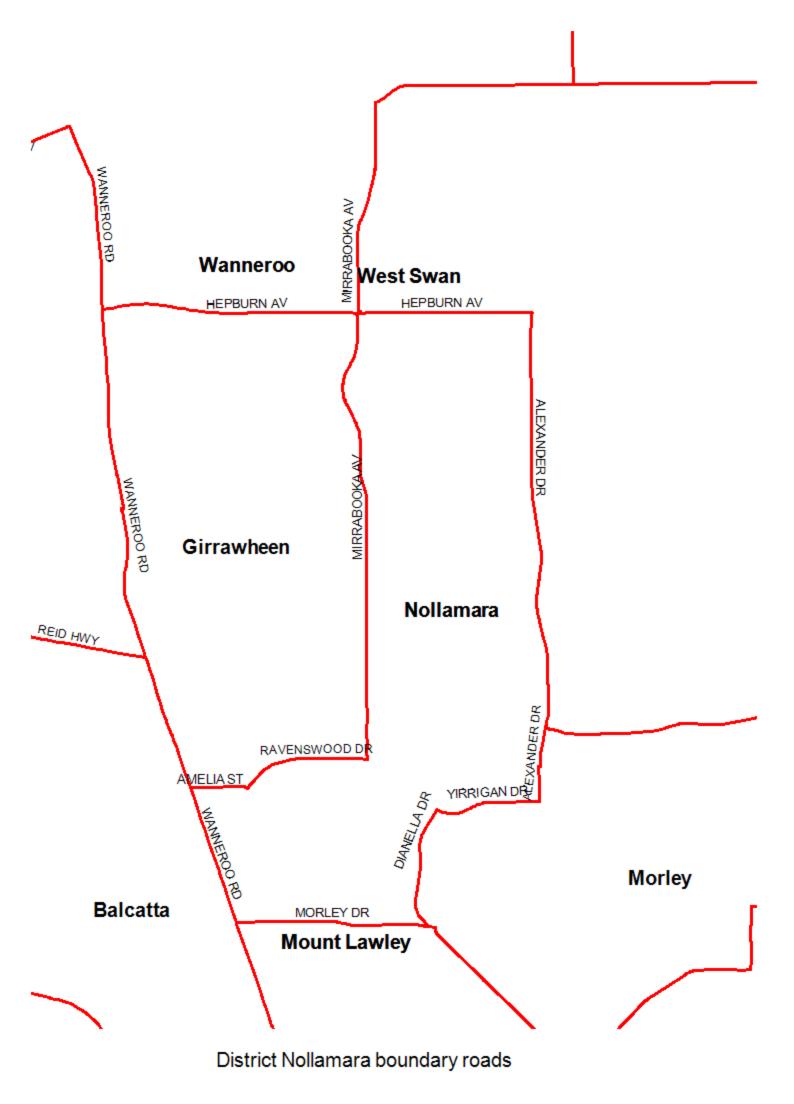
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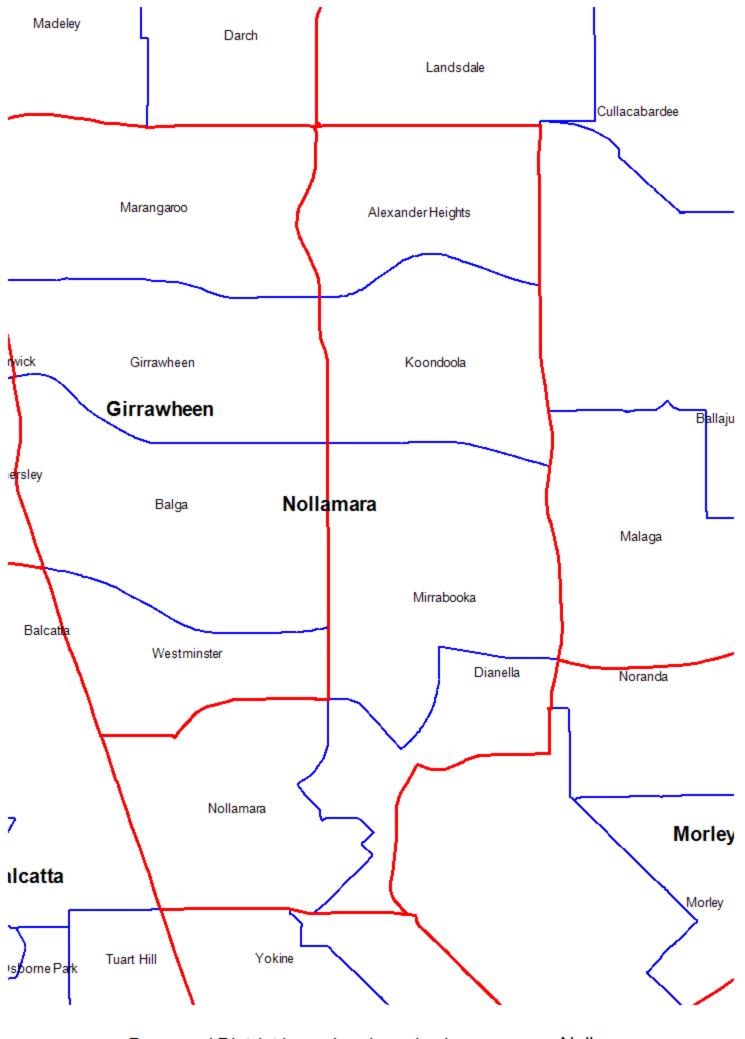






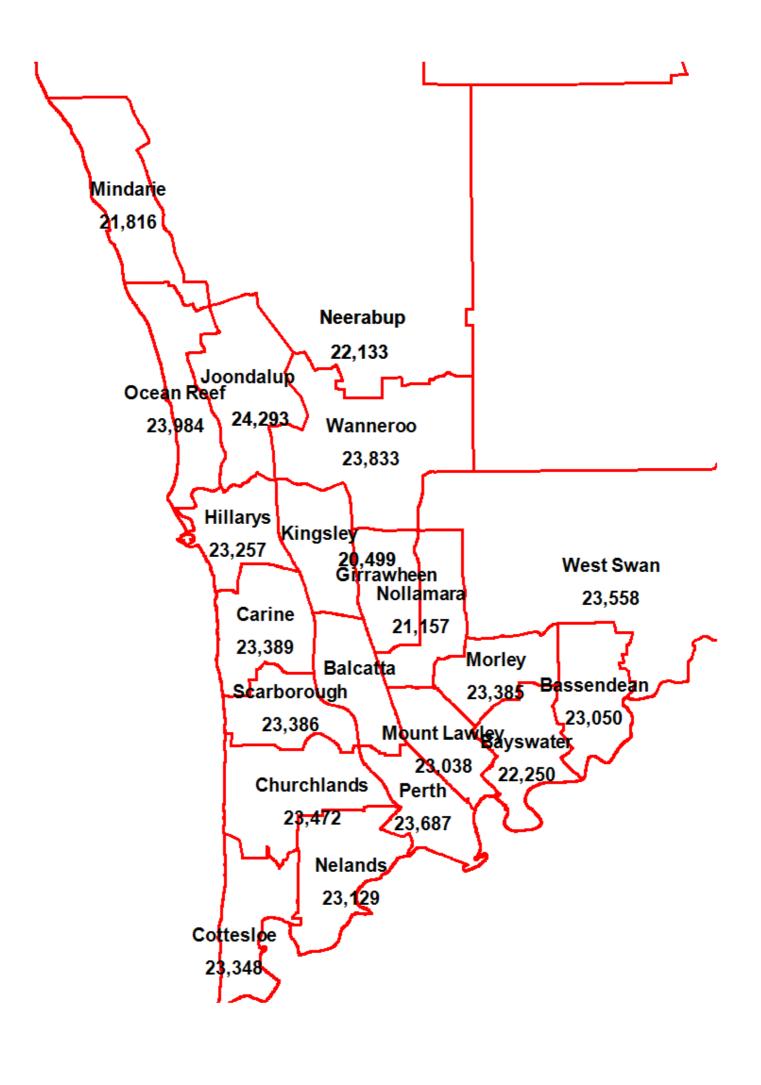


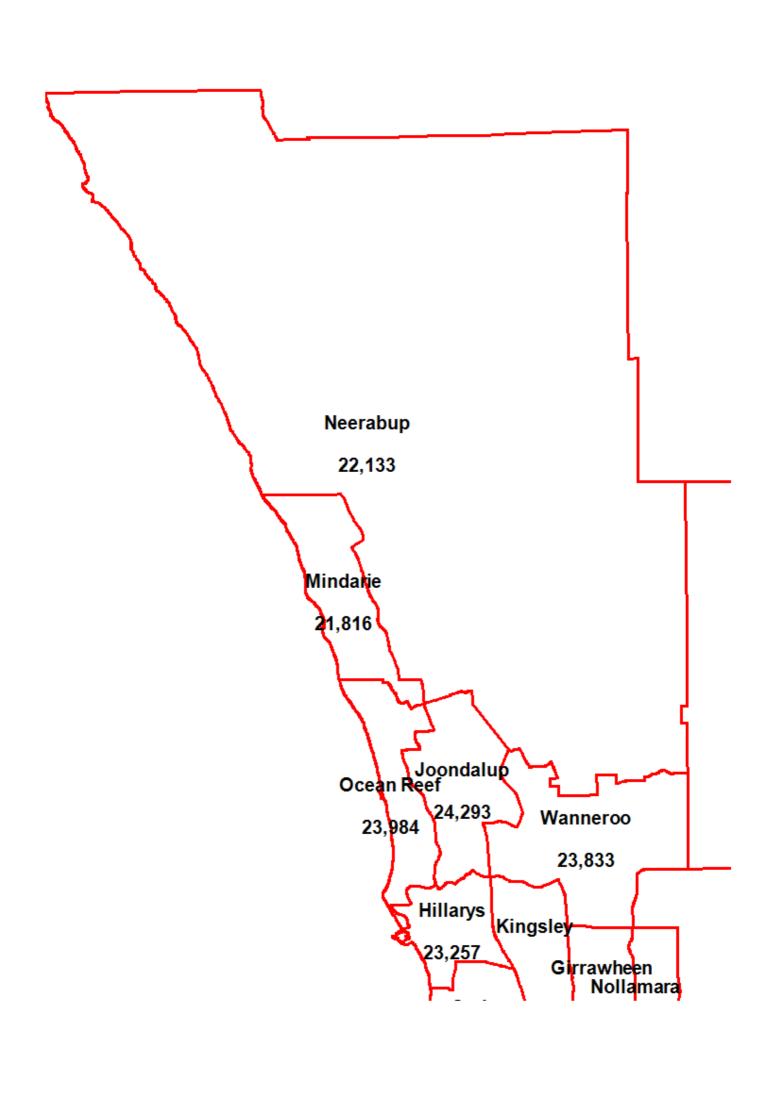


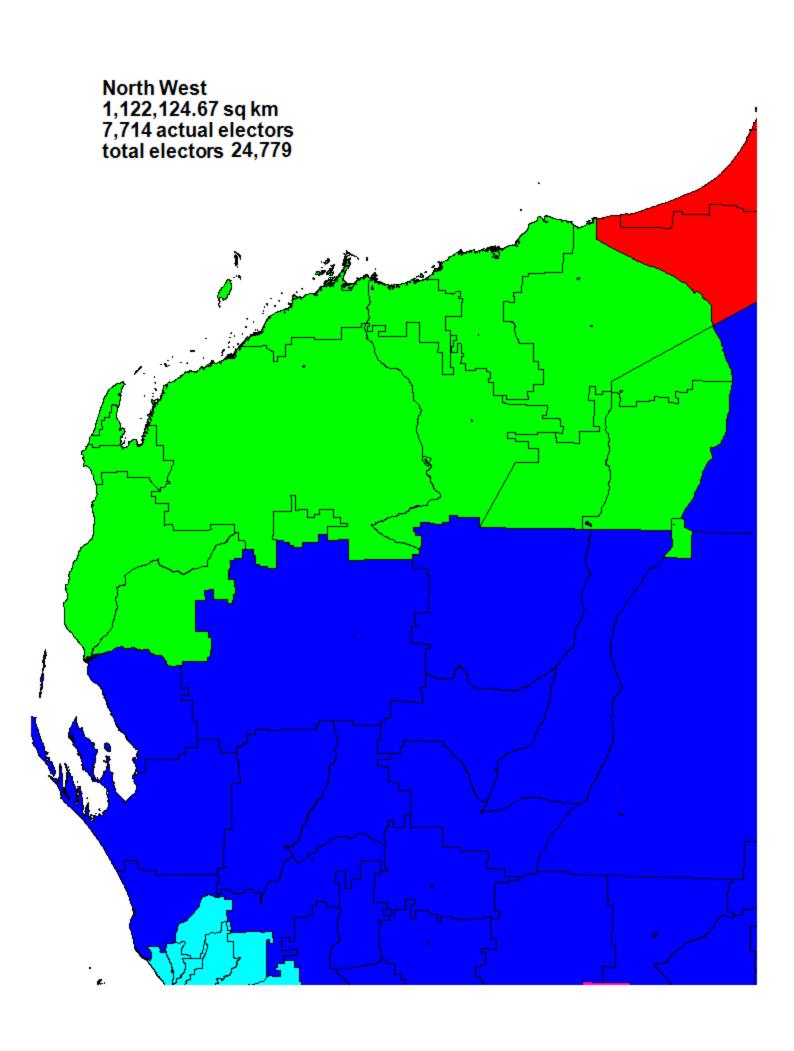


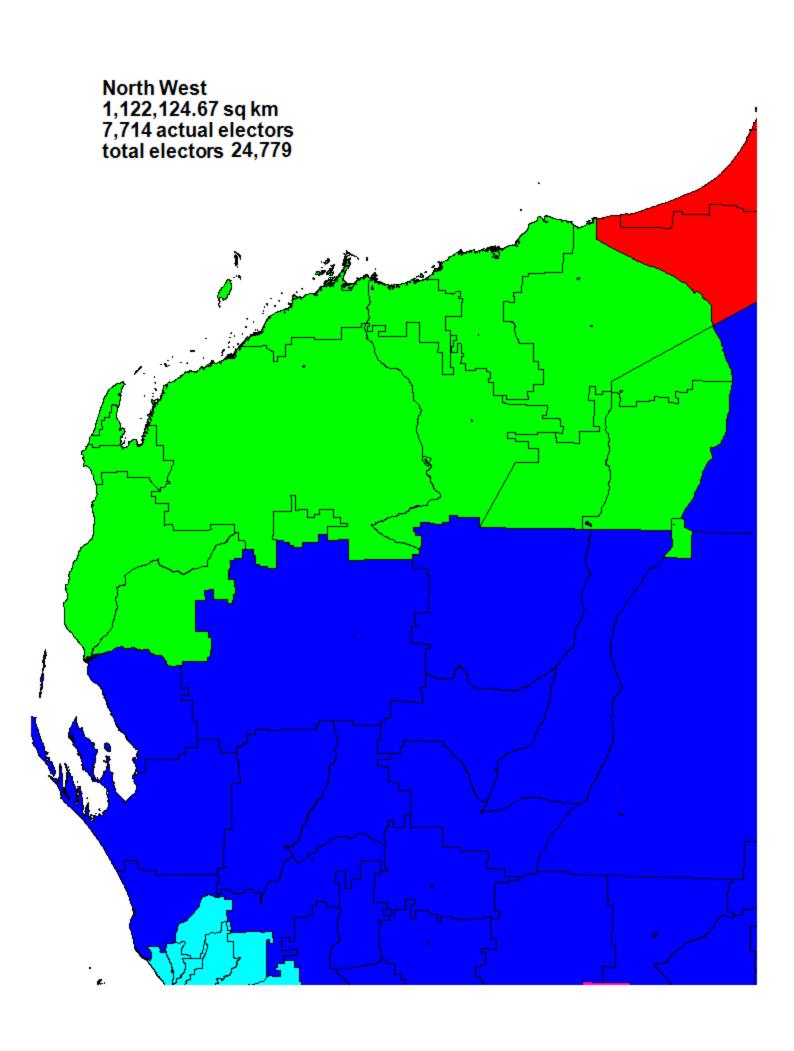
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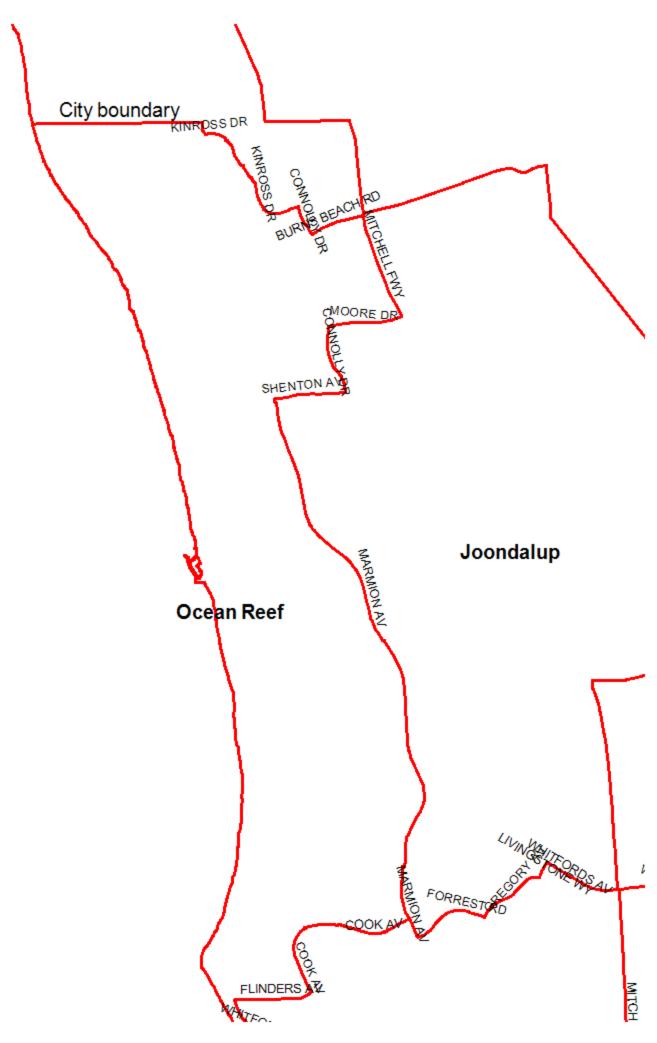
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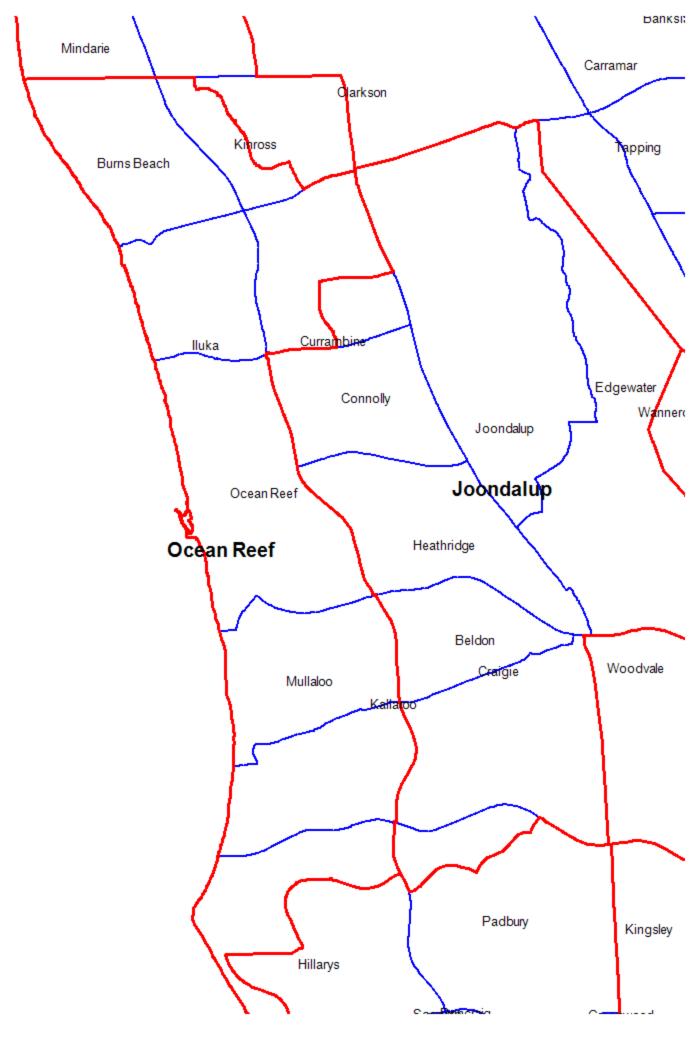


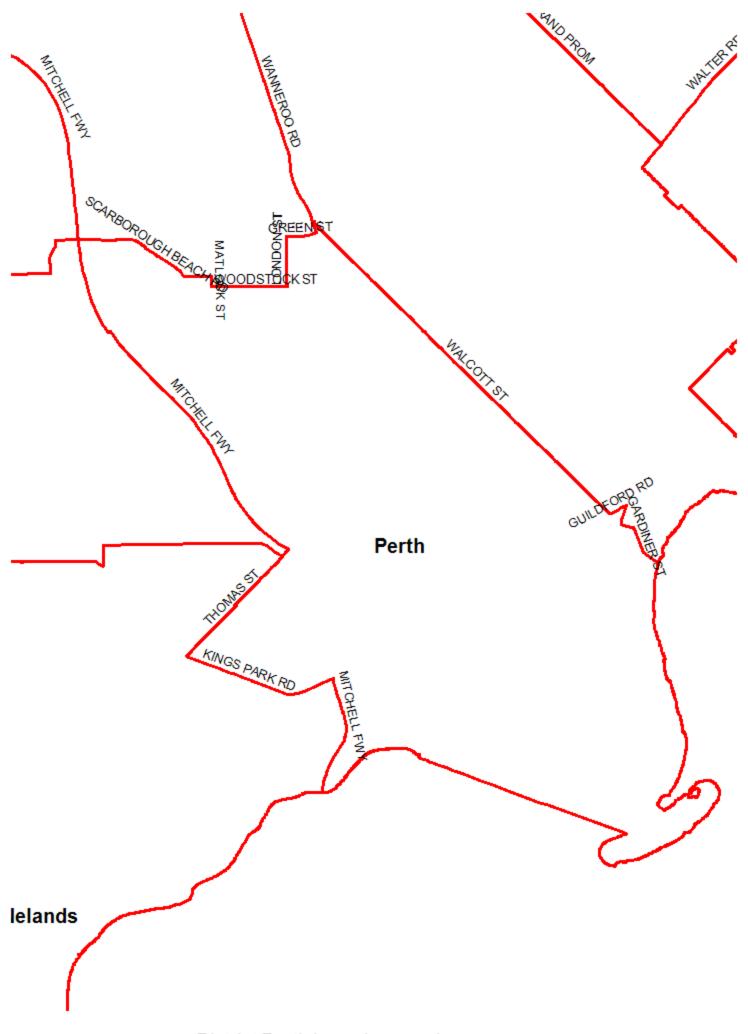




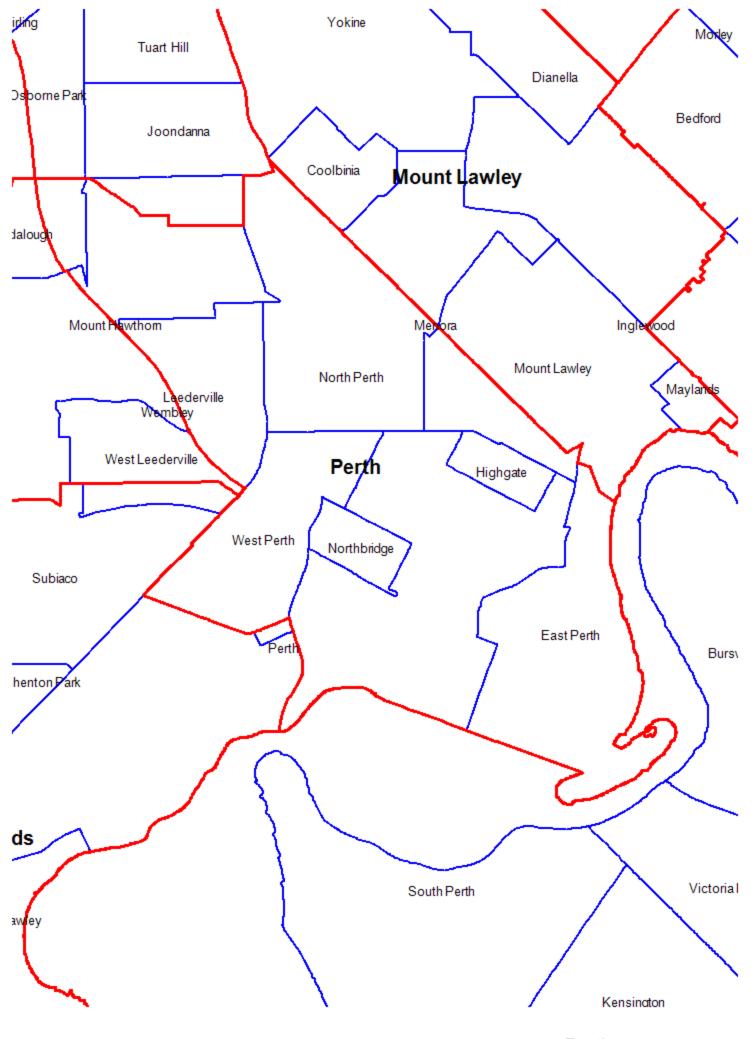


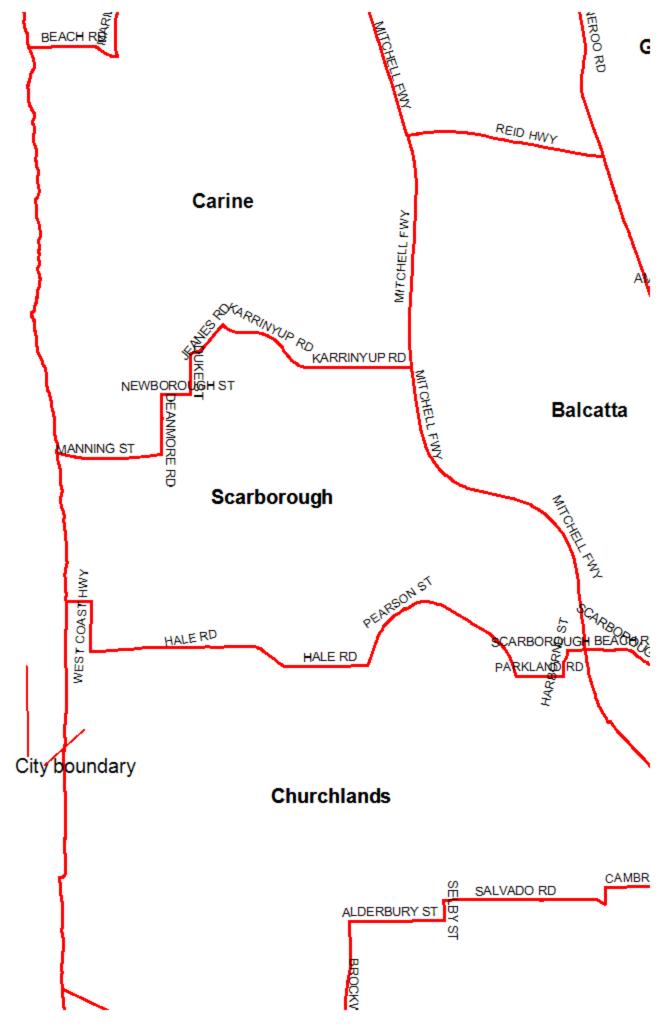
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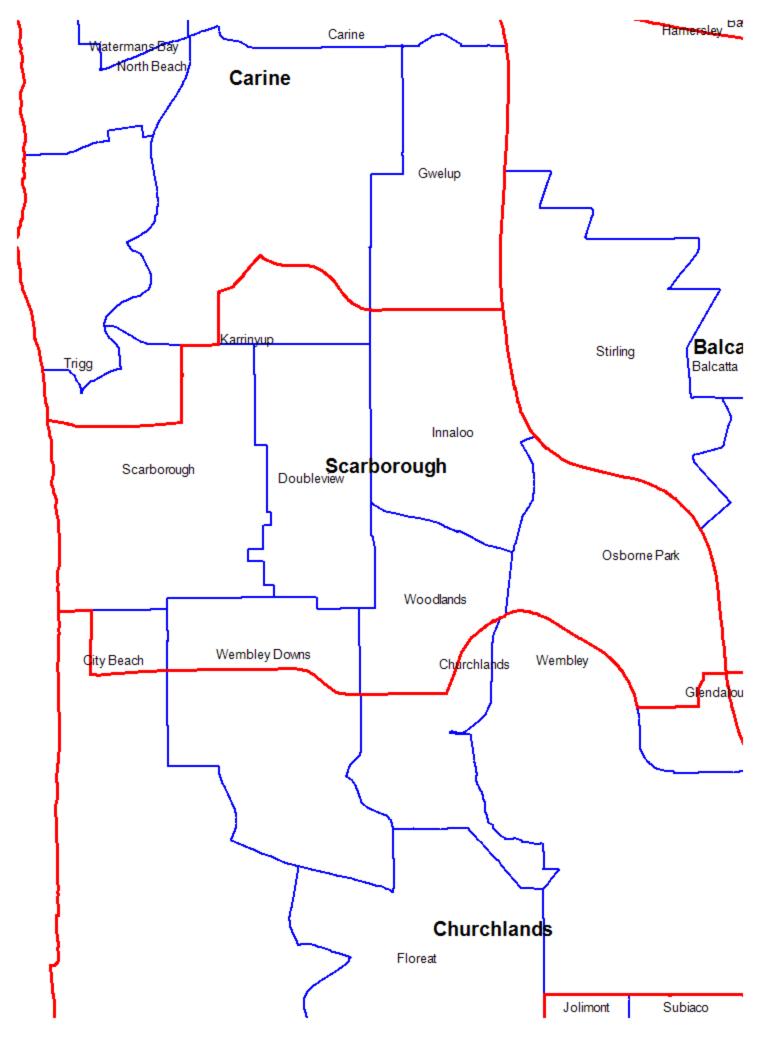


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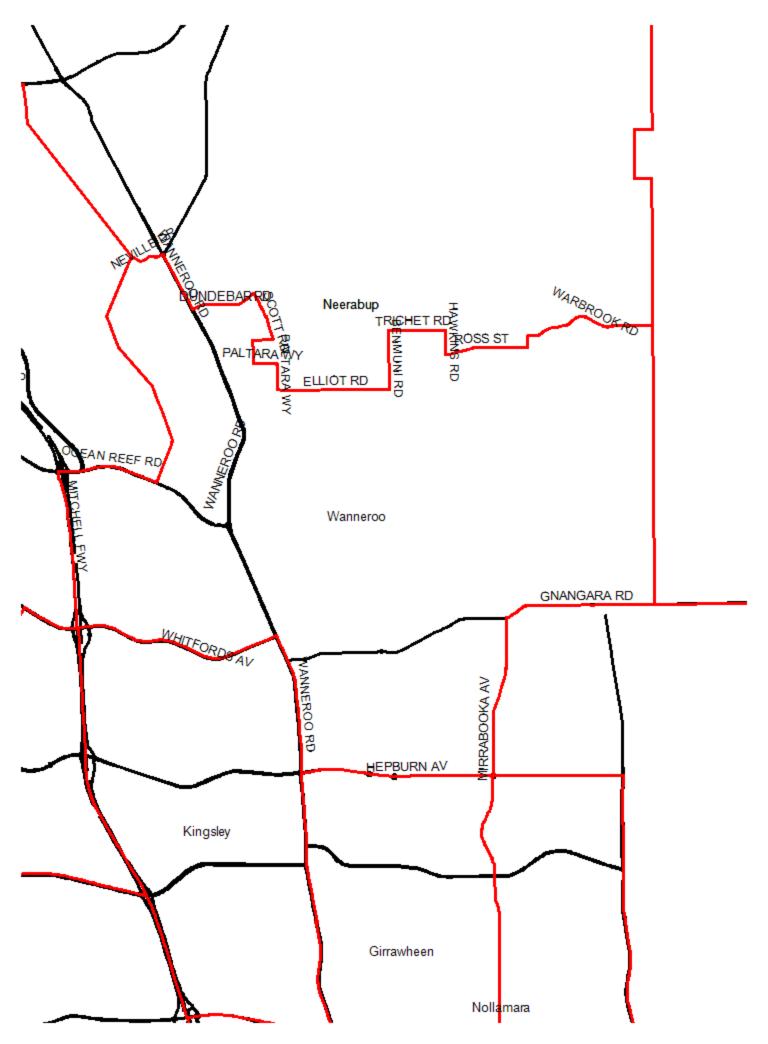


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District Wanneroo by boundary roads

