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I have lived and worked in the Wheatbelt shires of Chittering, Victoria Plains, Toodyay - basically all the councils within the Avon Arc.

It was with great distress I became aware of the proposed abolition of the seats of Moore and the North West Central.

Western Australia is a large state with a sparse population.

The blind following of the one vote, one value concept forever disadvantages rural Western Australia. To further compound this disadvantage to divide a council into two electorates will cause structural problems with local government grants scheme.

There is little commonality to be found between the citizens of Chittering and the people of Chapman Valley. Please, proposed boundary changes and abolition of two seats in a state in which the state government is already dominated by metropolitan issues will cast our votes into oblivion. Rural voices can never be heard over the cacophony demands by people who complain they need a railway to get them the thirty kilometres to the city. How do we compete for funds when, again, our representation is reduced?

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