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**Interim Report Submission from Sarah Mirosevic**

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**Interim Report Considerations**

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**What is your current electoral division?**

18 - Calgary-Mountain View

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Urban concerns

- Southern Alberta concerns
- Effective representation
- Projected growth

**Submission**

I am concerned about the proposed changes to merge Calgary ridings with rural ridings. Urban and rural residents have different needs and concerns and it does a disservice to these residents to not have effective representation. These changes would put the MLA in an impossible situation to represent too varied of a demographic.

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## Interim Report Submission from Chad Krahn

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**What is your current electoral division?**

78 - Red Deer-North

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Central Alberta concerns

**Submission**

Dear Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission,

Red Deer currently benefits from two dedicated MLAs, representing Red Deer-North and Red Deer-South constituencies. However, I propose adjusting the boundary line to follow the Red Deer River, then Ross Street, for clearer geographic and community alignment. The current eastern boundary inexplicably dips south, complicating representation, especially as Red Deer's growth is concentrated in the northeast. Straight, logical boundaries simplify voting and reflect natural community divides.

To better serve central Alberta's functional geography, the ridings north and south of Red Deer should form complementary semicircles around the city. The northern riding could encompass Sylvan Lake, Lacombe, and Blackfalds, with a combined population of approximately 50,000, creating a cohesive unit tied to Red Deer's northern economic and commuter flows. The southern riding might include Spruce View, Olds, Three Hills, Delburne, and the surrounding rural areas in Kneehill and Mountain View Counties—totalling around 23,000 residents, with potential for modest adjustments eastward or southward to approach 50,000 while honouring shared agricultural and community interests. This semicircle approach recognizes Red Deer as the hub of central Alberta, fostering balanced representation amid ongoing regional growth. Thank you for considering this input.

Sincerely,

Chad Krahn  
Red Deer City Councillor

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November 20, 2025

The Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission

Dear Commissioners:

The Village of Forestburg thanks the Commission for the opportunity to respond to the October 27, 2025, Interim Report of the Electoral Boundaries Commission. Village Council would like to comment and propose additional changes to the draft Camrose and Drumheller-Stettler Electoral Divisions contained in the Interim Report.

As the Commission is likely aware, the Village of Forestburg and neighbouring communities in the southern portion of Flagstaff County were previously located in the former Stettler Electoral Division from 1989 to 2003 then moved to the Battle-River Wainwright Electoral Division from 2004 to 2019 and then moved again into the Camrose Electoral Division following the work of the last Electoral Boundaries Commission when the Battle-River Wainwright Electoral Division was dissolved. As a result, Forestburg and the surrounding area is quite adaptable and comfortable with changing its provincial electoral division.

Historically and in more recent times, particularly since 2017 and the federal government decision to shut-in the coal industry, Forestburg has worked cooperatively on economic transition and development activities with Paintearth County and multiple municipalities in that County including Coronation, Castor and Halkirk as equal members in the Battle River Economic Opportunities Committee (BREOC) – a regional economic partnership that has been extremely successful in attracting investment and government grant funding into our region.

We wanted to bring this information forward to the Commission as the last decade of activity and joint work regionally has led to the formation of a community of interest that does not strictly align with either Flagstaff County or the current Camrose Electoral Division, but rather one of local, geographical and like community interest in our joint efforts to reverse rural depopulation and foster economic growth and opportunity in Rural Alberta.

Forestburg fully supports the principles of the Commission as outlined on page 20 of your Interim Report, those being that when boundary changes are being considered, communities of interest, geographical features, the availability of communications and transportation corridors and desired, understandable and clear boundaries be established.




In support of these principles, the Village of Forestburg proposes that the furthest north-western boundary of the Drumheller-Stettler Electoral Division, just north of the Village of Donalda (Township Road 430) be adjusted from the Interim Proposal of the Commission to run due east to where it intersects with Alberta Highway 13, the southern border of the Town of Hardisty. We have included maps from your Interim Report with our proposed changes highlighted for reference.

This proposal if adopted would further support the population of the revised Drumheller-Stettler Electoral Division by shifting the urban populations of Forestburg and Alliance (approximately 1000 people) as well as the rural population in these areas into an electoral division requiring it more than the Camrose Electoral Division. We suggest that the resultant Drumheller Electoral Division with a population of close to 44,000 and a Camrose Electoral Division with a population of approximately 53,000 (resulting from our proposal) is a more appropriate outcome of the Boundary Review than what is currently contained in your Interim Report, while still meeting all criteria as identified in the report as desired outcomes.

Forestburg will be communicating its proposal to our partners in BREOC asking them to provide the Commission with their formal support of this proposal. We look forward to the announcement of the next series of public meetings so that we will be able to meet and present our proposal personally to the Commission.

In the interim we thank the Commission again for the opportunity to provide input on your interim recommendations and ask for kind consideration of our proposal for further change to the Camrose and the Drumheller-Stettler Electoral Divisions.

Sincerely,

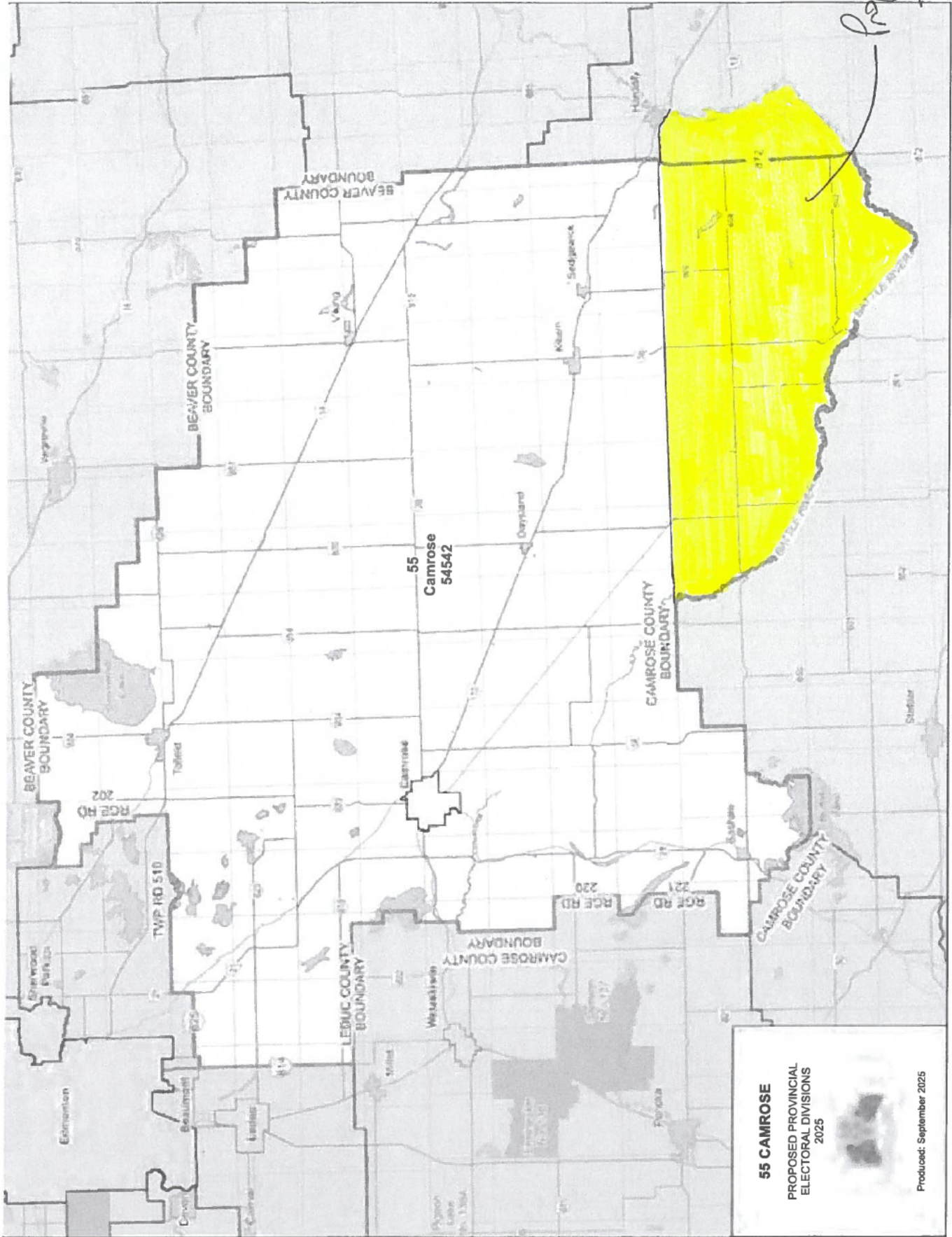
  
Dwayne Giroux, Mayor  
On behalf of Village Council

Attachments





Proposed to  
move to  
Drumheller  
Stettler









December 10, 2025

Honourable Justice Dallas K. Miller, Chair  
Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission  
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Dear Chair Miller,

**RE: Interim Report – Electoral Boundaries Review**

Northern Sunrise County is deeply concerned regarding several of the proposed changes outlined in the Commission's Interim Report released on October 23, 2025. While we recognize and respect the Commission's mandate to ensure fair and effective electoral representation across the province, Council is strongly opposed to any boundary adjustments that further diminish rural representation.

Rural municipalities such as ours already face unique challenges, including significant geographic distances, smaller but more dispersed populations, and critical service delivery responsibilities that differ fundamentally from those of urban municipalities. Effective representation requires an MLA who can meaningfully understand and advocate for the needs of rural residents, industries, and communities. Reducing the number of rural constituencies—or expanding them to the point where they become geographically unmanageable—risks weakening that representation at a time when rural Alberta continues to play an essential role in the province's economic stability and long-term prosperity.

We respectfully request that the Commission reconsider the proposed adjustments and ensure that the final report preserves strong, effective, and equitable representation for rural Albertans. Electoral boundaries must reflect not only population metrics but also geography, community identity, accessibility, and the practical realities of representing large rural regions.

Sincerely,

Claude Rodrigue, Reeve  
Northern Sunrise County

c: Premier Danielle Smith  
Honourable Dan Williams, MLA for Peace River  
Scott Sinclair, MLA for Lesser Slave Lake





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## Interim Report Submission from Patricia Teskey

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Okotoks

**Interim Report Considerations**

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**What is your current electoral division?**

65 - Highwood

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

24 - Calgary-Okotoks

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Communities of interest
- Geographical features

- Effective representation
- Projected growth

## Submission

Submission to the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission

From: Patricia Teskey

Constituency: Highwood

Motivation:

Highwood is a bedroom for Calgary and more urban than rural and very close to the community of Okotoks, not only in terms of distance but also in the following ways:

1. Demographically, both populations are made up of newer, younger and growing families.
2. With regard to family values, both Okotoks and South Calgary are communities that share the values that are inherent in raising families.
3. Both areas are looking to the future for successfully raising their families, requiring K-12 schools, health services, recreational opportunities and other supports needed in the raising of children.

Therefore, it makes sense that the proposed changes to incorporate Okotoks with South Calgary is a better "fit" for the MLA representing us. The needs of both areas would be more adequately addressed with this change.

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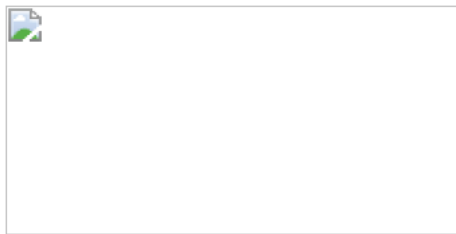
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Written Submission on Behalf of County of Northern Lights re Electoral Boundary Act Commission Interim Report.docx;



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**Municipality / City**

County of Northern Lights

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**What is your current electoral division?**

77 - Peace River

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

76 - Peace River-Notley



**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Urban concerns
- Northern Alberta concerns

**Submission**

The concerns of the County of Northern Lights related to the proposed changes expressed within the interim report of the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission are multi-faceted.

Firstly, we see this as a continued dilution of rural representation. Creating additional urban seats continues to effectively stifle the voices of our rural residents. Just as Alberta voices its discontent with the lack of Western representation at the federal level, rural residents, especially in the North, continue to feel that their voices are not heard and that their opinions are outweighed by those of their urban counterparts.

Secondly, the geographical expansion of our riding creates an impossible situation for our MLAs to experience front line face time with their constituents. In the Peace River – Notley riding, it would take more than five hours to travel from one end to the other (South to North). Think of the number of meetings with constituents an urban MLA could facilitate by saving five hours of travel time between communities. Not to mention the travel required from the riding to the legislature when it is in session.

The increasing size of the rural ridings, coupled with the creation of new ridings with dense urban populations will effectively eliminate the ability of rural MLAs to do their jobs. How can you govern on behalf of your constituents, if the nature of your job does not allow you to effectively have access to them!

The County of Northern Lights would like to see the geographical size of the northern and rural ridings maintained in consideration of the disparity of access to constituents experienced between urban and rural MLAs. While we acknowledge the importance of representation by population with a democratic society, we would caution that the balance of power arguably lies with the major urban centers already and does not need to be enhanced further.

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## Interim Report Submission from Laura Svab

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Blackfalds

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**What is your current electoral division?**

68 - Lacombe-Ponoka

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

67 - Lacombe-Rocky Mountain House

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Communities of interest
- Geographical features

## Submission

Council for the Town of Blackfalds wishes to express the following concerns regarding the proposed changes to the electoral boundaries affecting our community.

### 1. Increased Geographical Area

The proposed boundary encompasses a significantly larger area, which will increase travel distances for the MLA. This may reduce accessibility for residents and increase costs associated with MLA travel to communities within the boundary.

### 2. Loss of Established Relationships

The Town has built strong working relationships with the current MLA. A boundary change would require time and effort to establish a new relationship, potentially delaying advocacy and collaboration on key issues.

### 3. Impact on Education Representation

Blackfalds is part of the Wolf Creek School Division. Under the proposed changes, the Town would no longer share the same MLA as the rest of the division, which could hinder coordinated advocacy for education-related matters.

### 4. Disruption of Economic and Social Networks

Adjusting boundaries may split existing economic and social networks along the Highway 2 and 2A corridor. This fragmentation could reduce the efficiency of regional advocacy and collaboration between municipalities.

### 5. Reduction in Electoral Areas

The reduction from six electoral areas to five may negatively impact the efficiency and effectiveness of representation, as MLA's will be responsible for larger and more diverse constituencies.

In light of these concerns, Council respectfully requests that the Electoral Boundaries Commission reconsider the proposed changes to ensure fair, effective, and accessible representation for residents of Blackfalds and surrounding communities.

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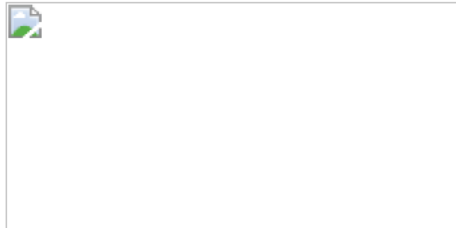
**Interim Report Submission from Matt Bates**

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Beaumont

**Interim Report Considerations**

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Effective representation

## Submission

I strongly oppose to the proposed interim boundary changes that would divide the City of Beaumont between two separate electoral districts. This proposal would fracture a unified and growing community that has always been represented as a single entity, and it would do so without a compelling justification rooted in effective representation.

Beaumont is a cohesive municipality with shared priorities, shared infrastructure, and shared regional challenges. The city has also been historically and economically tied to the City of Leduc, with interconnected labour markets, joint regional planning, and long-standing partnerships that shape how both communities operate and grow. Splitting Beaumont away from Leduc undermines these practical realities and disregards the economic relationships that define the region.

Dividing the city between Leduc–Beaumont and Strathcona–Sherwood Park would force residents to navigate two MLAs, two sets of policy priorities, and two distinct regional frameworks. This is an unnecessary complication that will dilute the city's political voice and weaken its ability to advocate for local needs with clarity and consistency.

The division of Beaumont also risks confusing voters about their representation, generating inconsistent access to provincial services, and shifting community influence in ways that are neither fair nor beneficial to residents. Aligning half of Beaumont with Strathcona–Sherwood Park, a region with substantially different local interests, undermines the principle of keeping communities of interest intact. Keeping the city together within a single district supports coherent planning, consistent advocacy, and fair representation.

Public feedback exists for a reason: to ensure that electoral boundaries respect natural communities, not divide them. I urge the Commission to reconsider the proposed split and preserve Beaumont as a single, unified electoral district that remains aligned with Leduc, as has historically made economic and practical sense.

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**Interim Report Submission from Lynn Fleming**

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Beaumont

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Naming of electoral boundaries

**Submission**

Please do not separate Beaumont's division. We do not want two districts to divide our city.

Thank you!

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Beaumont

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Central Alberta concerns
- Effective representation

- Naming of electoral boundaries
- Other concerns

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## Interim Report Submission from James Pyecroft

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Canmore

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**What is your current electoral division?**

50 - Banff-Kananaskis

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

53 - Banff-Jasper

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

**Submission**

I am a resident of Canmore in the current Banff–Kananaskis electoral division and am writing regarding the proposed Banff–Jasper electoral division.

My primary concern is that the proposed Banff–Jasper riding weakens effective representation by treating Banff, Jasper, and Canmore as though they are fundamentally the same type of community. They are not.

Banff and Jasper are municipalities located within national parks. Their economies are explicitly tourism-dependent, and they receive direct federal involvement and support that flows from their national park status. Canmore, by contrast, is outside the national park system and does not receive comparable federal support, despite experiencing many of the same visitor pressures. This structural difference matters for representation.

Historically, Canmore transitioned after the closure of the coal mines into a family-oriented mountain community and vacation town. Over time, it has evolved into an international tourism destination, often as an overflow for Banff. That evolution has not been universally welcomed. While tourism remains an important part of Canmore's economy and many residents depend on it, there is also a strong and growing desire among residents to rebalance toward a more diversified local economy, including attracting professionals, remote workers, and small knowledge-based businesses that contribute year-round without intensifying visitor volumes.

These differences mean that Canmore's policy priorities increasingly diverge from those of Banff and Jasper. Issues such as housing availability, livability, transportation congestion, and economic diversification are experienced differently in a non-park municipality that does not benefit from federal park funding or governance structures. Lumping Canmore together with two national-park towns risks masking those differences rather than reflecting them.

From a representation standpoint, the proposed Banff–Jasper riding also becomes extremely large and complex, combining national park municipalities, multiple First Nations across treaty areas, and foothills and Clearwater County communities. This scale makes it difficult for a single MLA to give sustained, responsive attention to the distinct needs of each community.

I encourage the Commission to reconsider whether the proposed Banff–Jasper boundaries truly enhance effective representation. A more compact Bow Valley-focused riding that recognizes Canmore's distinct status and evolving community goals would better reflect communities of interest, improve accessibility to representation, and strengthen accountability.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on the interim report.

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## Interim Report Submission from Nathan Schneider

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Hinton

**Interim Report Considerations**

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**What is your current electoral division?**

87 - West Yellowhead

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

88 - West Yellowhead

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Northern Alberta concerns

- Communities of interest
- Geographical features

## Submission

I do not support removing Jasper National Park from the West Yellowhead electoral district. The proposal overlooks how Jasper actually functions day to day and ignores decades of established relationships that tie Jasper to Hinton, Edson, and the surrounding eastern slope communities.

For more than thirty years, Electoral Boundaries Commissions have kept Jasper within a district centred on Hinton and Edson for a reason. These communities are connected through shared labour markets, transportation corridors, emergency response systems, utilities, and regional services. Jasper's strongest and most practical connections are to the east, not south across the mountains. This isn't accidental geography; it's how people work, travel, and live.

Jasper and Hinton are especially interdependent. They share workforce pools, rail and highway operations, wildfire response, and public sector services. Hinton acts as Jasper's primary service and supply centre. Workers commute regularly between the two communities to support Parks Canada operations, forestry, healthcare, education, accommodation services, and emergency response. Highway 16 and the rail corridor linking Jasper and Hinton are major east-west transportation routes for both Alberta and Canada. These are real, daily connections, not abstract similarities.

By contrast, Jasper and Banff are separated by roughly 200 kilometres of unpopulated mountain parkland, with no intervening communities and limited regular economic interaction. While both are national parks, their governance challenges, workforce patterns, and service networks differ significantly. Treating them as a natural pairing ignores how isolated Jasper would be within a southern mountain district where its concerns would be secondary.

Keeping Jasper in West Yellowhead also preserves coherent representation for the Athabasca headwaters. Communities such as Hinton, Edson, Jasper, Robb, Cadomin, Grande Cache, and surrounding rural areas share common concerns around forest management, wildfire risk, transportation safety, backcountry access, cumulative land use effects, and the balance between industry, recreation, and conservation. These issues are shaped by the same landscape and infrastructure. Fragmenting this region would weaken effective advocacy on matters that do not respect artificial boundaries.

Emerging recreation and tourism activity east of Jasper further strengthens this case. Cadomin and Robb are seeing increased visitation tied to off-highway recreation, wildlife viewing, campground use, and the transition of former mining areas into recreation landscapes. These communities rely on the same road networks, service centres, and land use planning frameworks as Jasper and Hinton. Decisions about trails, access, fire management, and reclamation affect them collectively, not in isolation.

Grande Cache is another important part of this regional picture. While it lies north of Jasper, it shares deep ties rooted in forestry, coal mining heritage, guiding, and access to Willmore Wilderness Park. As Alberta looks to spread tourism beyond the most heavily visited areas, Grande Cache and the upper Smoky and Athabasca corridors will play a growing role. Keeping Jasper within West Yellowhead allows tourism development, transportation planning, and wildfire management to be addressed at a regional scale rather than piecemeal.

Industrial and transportation infrastructure also aligns Jasper with West Yellowhead. Rail, pipeline, forestry, and haul routes run through the Athabasca Valley toward Hinton and Edson. Emergency services, search and rescue, and wildfire operations are organized along these same corridors. Moving Jasper into a southern mountain district would dilute this functional alignment and saddle an MLA with competing priorities that arise from very different landscapes and service realities.

Finally, the stability of West Yellowhead itself matters. Its boundaries have remained largely intact since the late 1980s. Previous Commissions repeatedly recognized the logic of a district anchored by Hinton, Edson, and Jasper, supported by forestry, energy, mining, tourism, and transportation. With a population of roughly fifty-four thousand residents, West Yellowhead remains within acceptable variance and is entirely appropriate for a large, geographically complex district with significant environmental and infrastructure responsibilities. There is no compelling demographic or economic reason to dismantle a configuration that has worked well for decades.

Including Cadomin, Robb, and adjacent Crown lands strengthens, rather than weakens, the district's coherence. These communities are navigating the same economic transition seen in Grande Cache and along Highway 40, balancing traditional resource activity with growing recreation and tourism. Keeping Jasper within West Yellowhead ensures this transition is represented within a shared governance framework that reflects how the region actually functions.

For these reasons, removing Jasper from West Yellowhead is neither necessary nor prudent. Retaining Jasper preserves long-standing community relationships, aligns representation with real-world labour and service networks, recognizes emerging eastern-slope tourism nodes, and respects the historical logic behind a district that has served residents well for generations. A unified West Yellowhead remains the most practical and coherent way to represent the Athabasca headwaters and the communities that depend on them.

Thank you

Nathan Schneider

CA President of West Yellowhead

Former Chamber of Commerce President Hinton

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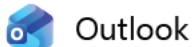
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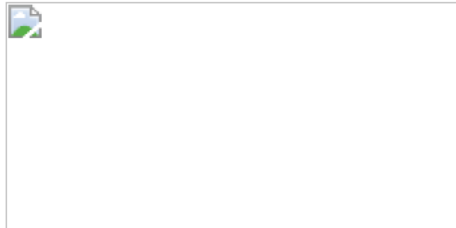
## Interim Report Submission from Robert Secord

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Projected growth

**Submission**

Dear Members of the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission,

I am writing as a property owner and resident of Beaumont to respectfully oppose the proposed boundary changes outlined in the Interim Report of October 27. The recommendation to divide Beaumont along 50th Street—placing the east side into a reconfigured Strathcona–Sherwood Park constituency while the west remains in Leduc–Beaumont—raises significant concerns for me as a member of this community.

Beaumont is a unified, cohesive, and rapidly growing urban municipality with a strong shared identity. Splitting the city down the middle does not reflect how our residents live, work, study, or participate in community life. All of Beaumont—east and west—functions as a single interconnected community. We share the same schools, recreation facilities, cultural and social programming, transit networks, and emergency response services. These systems are structured for an integrated city, not one divided between two separate provincial ridings.

I am concerned that the proposed division would dilute Beaumont's representation in the Legislature. With our community growth accelerating, it is more important than ever that Beaumont's voice remain consolidated within a single constituency. Dividing the city weakens our ability to effectively advocate for infrastructure, education, transportation, and public services that affect all residents.

Additionally, the proposed changes would sever our long-established social and economic ties with the City of Leduc, Leduc County, Nisku, and South Edmonton—regions with which Beaumont shares significant commuting patterns, business networks, and regional priorities. These relationships do not align with the Strathcona–Sherwood Park area, making the proposed shift impractical and unrepresentative of our real-world connections.

I support Beaumont City Council's position and encourage the Commission to preserve Beaumont as a whole within one riding alongside the City of Leduc and Leduc County. A more appropriate eastern boundary—such as Range Road 241, which aligns with Beaumont's municipal border—would maintain the city's integrity and support effective regional representation.

I appreciate the complexity of your task and the many factors you must balance. However, I firmly believe that keeping Beaumont intact is essential to ensuring fair and effective representation for our community. I respectfully request that the Commission reconsider the proposed changes and maintain Beaumont within a unified provincial constituency.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

85 - Strathcona-Sherwood Park

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Communities of interest



**Submission**

The Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission's proposal to divide the City of Beaumont into two separate ridings is unnecessary and unreasonable. With a population just over 20,000, Beaumont is a small, cohesive urban community that should remain intact within a single riding to ensure effective and consistent representation. Splitting the city would fragment its voice and dilute its shared interests. Moreover, the proposed boundary would place part of Beaumont in a riding with Strathcona County, a largely rural area with different priorities and concerns, further weakening Beaumont residents' ability to be represented on issues specific to their city. Keeping Beaumont whole respects its community identity and supports fair representation.

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## Interim Report Submission from Dean Linda

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Naming of electoral boundaries

**Submission**

New electoral boundaries have been planned for Beaumont with the dividing line at 50 St with the east side now in the Sherwood Parl electoral region and the west half in the Leduc-Beaumont region

Beaumont is part of Leduc County and I believe we should remain as a single entity in the Leduc-Beaumont electoral region as we presently are

Thank you for reconsidering this electoral boundary

Linda Dean

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**Interim Report Submission from Robert Mackenzie**

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Sylvan Lake

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**What is your current electoral division?**

66 - Innisfail-Sylvan Lake

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

86 - Sylvan Lake-Innisfail

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Central Alberta concerns
- Communities of interest

- Geographical features
- Effective representation

## Submission

Greetings Commissioners:

I am Robert (Rob) Mackenzie, the longest serving business owner along Lakeshore Drive in Sylvan Lake.

Sylvan Lake is obviously a beautiful recreational town in Central Alberta. It has a beautiful beach and is a summer and winter destination for so many families across Alberta. All these years of owning and operating Chief's Pub and Eatery, I understand our local politics.

Issues that effect people from Benalto and Raven, the west part of Red Deer County are the same issues that effect people from Bentley and Rimbey, the west part of Lacombe County.

The new boundaries should reflect the commonality and similar needs of Sylvan Lake and the western parts of Red Deer and Lacombe counties.

Red Deer is a central hub for people along Highway 2. Blackfalds, Innisfail, and Bowden are more connected with everyday business in Red Deer.

Sylvan Lake is a central hub for people along Highway 20. Rimbey, Eckville, and Benalto are more connected with everyday business in Sylvan Lake.

I believe Sylvan Lake would be a better fit in the constituency of Lacombe.

Thank you for your attention and time.

Rob

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## Interim Report Submission from Terry Raymond

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66 - Innisfail-Sylvan Lake

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

86 - Sylvan Lake-Innisfail

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Central Alberta concerns

- Hybrid electoral divisions
- Communities of interest
- Geographical features
- Effective representation

## Submission

Terry Raymond here. I am a business owner and philanthropist in Red Deer County near Sylvan Lake.

First, there needs to be more, not less, rural representation in the Alberta Legislature. The big cities lean on their municipal government way more than in rural areas. So, it makes sense for rural Alberta to have more provincial representation.

Second, the initial draft boundaries don't reflect the reality of how Central Alberta works.

Here's a prime example. The Central Alberta Raceway located in Rimbey, is a full motorsports park that includes a ¼ mile drag strip, race oval, demolition derby, Mud Bog, and Motorcross Track.

Sylvan Lake businesses, like Sylvan Auto Sports, and businesses from Bentley and Rimbey have built this community facility to what it is today.

People from Sylvan Lake travel up Highway 20 to Rimbey to watch races, camp, and attend concerts. People from Rimbey travel down Highway 20 to Sylvan Lake to shop, eat out, and play sports.

The people from the west part of Red Deer County and Lacombe County are closely connected and it would make sense for them to have the same provincial boundary.

Communities near Sylvan, Gull, and Pigeon Lake should have the same provincial boundary as the Lacombe area.

Thank you for your consideration. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!  
-Terry Raymond

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## Interim Report Submission from Daniel Atom

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Hybrid electoral divisions

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

### **Submission**

Splitting a town into two different electoral boundaries is one of the most absurd thing that could be planned.

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## Interim Report Submission from Leanne Lyons

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Communities of interest

- Geographical features

### Submission

Beaumont is a small bedroom community south of Edmonton. The proposed boundary will shift the electoral limits to split the community in half. This would be an asinine idea as there are many issues that we have in our community that should be under one single MLA for transparency. Please reconsider the boundaries to include the entire limits in one electoral division.

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To the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission,

**Re: Response to 2025 Interim Report – Opposition to Proposed “Calgary-Okotoks” Hybrid Riding**

Dear Justice Miller and Commissioners,

I am writing to formally respond to the *2025 Proposed Electoral Division Areas, Boundaries, and Names* Interim Report. Specifically, I am writing to express strong opposition to the creation of the “Calgary-Okotoks” hybrid electoral division and to explicitly advocate for the adoption of the Commission’s **"Plan B" (Okotoks-Diamond Valley)** configuration.

I am a lifetime South Calgary resident, a teacher, and a parent to two boys.

Drawing on the feedback previously submitted by South Calgary residents and the Commission's own findings, it is clear that merging South Calgary communities with Okotoks is neither necessary nor reflective of our community of interest.

The communities in South Calgary – specifically the rapidly growing neighbourhoods of Belmont, Yorkville, Creekstone, and parts of Silverado (and their counterparts across Macleod Trail like Wolf Willow, Walden, and Legacy) – represent a distinct urban demographic that does not align with the rural or small-town nature of Okotoks, and certainly not the rural areas surrounding the South of Calgary (De Winton, Heritage Point, and the broader rural Foothills area).

As noted in previous submissions to the Commission, these neighbourhoods are defined by significant diversity, a high concentration of new families, and a wave of interprovincial migration. These residents have chosen an urban Calgary lifestyle. Their daily lives – schools, recreation, shopping, and social circles – are integrated with the communities directly across Macleod Trail, not with the Town of Okotoks or Foothills County. Macleod Trail acts as a connector for these urban communities, whereas the separation from Okotoks is both geographic and cultural. Merging us into a rural-hybrid riding dilutes the representation of this unique, diverse, and purely urban population.

In your Interim Report, you candidly acknowledged that the Calgary-Okotoks proposal "will be controversial". You further stated that if the public indicates a preference for the alternative map, the Commission "will take that seriously".

I am writing to unequivocally indicate that preference.

I urge the Commission to adopt Map 24B (Okotoks-Diamond Valley) and the associated changes to South Calgary ridings (Map 13B, 18B, etc.). By your own admission in the Interim Report, "The 'Plan B' map still achieves effective representation".

While the report suggests Plan B is "less desirable" because it increases the population gap between Calgary and the rural south, this statistical variance should not override the fundamental need to keep communities of interest together. The "Plan B" option respects the municipal boundary of Calgary, ensures our urban growth is represented by a Calgary MLA,

and allows Okotoks to be anchored with Diamond Valley and Foothills County – communities with whom they share far more genuine rural and regional ties.

The South Calgary communities in question fit much more closely with their urban neighbours across Macleod Trail than with a separate municipality kilometers to the south. We ask you to honor the community feedback and your own analysis that "Plan B" works effectively. Please abandon the Calgary-Okotoks hybrid experiment and implement the Okotoks-Diamond Valley model in your Final Report.

Sincerely,

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David Cloutier  
South Calgary Resident



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## Interim Report Submission from Heather Lauriks

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation
- Other concerns



**Submission**

It states that Beaumont will be split in 2. What a ridiculous idea. For such a small town that doesn't have much infrastructure as it is we want to split it so one could be a have constituency and one could be a have not constituency. Our current MLA for Leduc and Beaumont blocks his members from social media, never responds to their emails nor is available for any constituency meetings, what makes the split of the constituency feasible if the MLAs will not even respond to their constituents? What Beaumont actually needs is a healthcare center not to be split into two to get more divisibility between its members. What Beaumont needs are schools that are not at 100% capacity and have the teachers and resources they need to be successful. What Beaumont needs is provincial funding to help it expand at the rate that it's going which again is not feasible. These splitting of ridings are just another distraction tactic by this government. Be the leadership that this province needs, stop this asinine distraction.

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## Interim Report Submission from Edward Yatscoff

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Urban concerns

- Effective representation

### Submission

Please do not anger the citizens of Beaumont by splitting our small city in half with new electoral boundaries.

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Sarah Stringer



December 11, 2025

To: Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission

Subject: The Case for Restoring Medicine Hat as a Distinct Electoral Riding

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for participating in this very important work of ensuring equitable representation for the citizens of Alberta. I have read many of the letters sent to you from the concerned citizens of Alberta, from both urban and rural perspectives. Having lived both rurally in the past, as well as an urbanite in the city of Medicine Hat, I would like to add my voice to the many who see the need for a distinctly urban electoral boundary for Medicine Hat. Living in the city presents many unique differences from living in the country.

Although there are differing views, most are concerned by the urban/rural divide. Those who speak for the urban constituency live in the city. I live in the Southridge area of Medicine Hat and am a constituent in the Cypress/Medicine Hat electoral boundary. The division between Brooks/Medicine Hat and Cypress/Medicine Hat is an unnecessary division created for numerical equivalence, but effective representation is more important than numbers. I can imagine the uproar if an urban area of Edmonton were to be part of a rural riding.

Medicine Hat, the 6<sup>th</sup> largest city in Alberta, is an urban centre with urban priorities. With a population of nearly 70,000 Medicine Hat needs effective representation. As such the urban core needs representation by an MLA who understands urban needs. We cater to the needs and wants of folks who live in a city and require the amenities of a city. The electoral boundary doesn't make sense to me as people on both sides of the boundary have more in common with each other than with either Cypress or Brooks. Medicine Hat is well structured and has the population to support its own riding and does not benefit from being divided into two rural areas.

One of the negative aspects of rural ridings is physical distance, which puts an extra burden on representation, but the needs of the rural areas are generally held in common. Medicine Hat should not be subjected to the demands the rural population makes on their representatives and the needs of rural areas should not be limited by the demands of an MLA with a focus on urban life.

Constituents would be best served by an MLA who understands the scope of their jurisdiction and is able to work within it rather than being overcommitted by trying to serve the needs of both urban and rural populations. Further effectiveness in governing efficiency and satisfied constituents includes an MLA who lives in their riding and listens to their concerns.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sarah Stringer



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## Interim Report Submission from Kyle Kowalchuk

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Urban concerns

- Hybrid electoral divisions
- Communities of interest
- Geographical features
- Effective representation
- Projected growth
- Naming of electoral boundaries

**Submission**

Our city doesnt need to be split up into two ridings. Thats the most ludacris thing to do . How fair is it to have one half of town be given a better voice if one MLA advocates concerns better than the other . This cannot go through

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Geographical features
- Naming of electoral boundaries



**Submission**

It makes no sense to split the city of Beaumont, that is currently less than 3km by 3km, in half.

How are we as a whole going to be properly represented? This will only cause further division in our city.

Please reconsider the boundary. Keep Beaumont where it is.

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## Interim Report Submission from Lesley Latimer

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

85 - Strathcona-Sherwood Park

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation

**Submission**

I am writing to express my concern and utter disbelief that you would consider splitting Beaumont in half for election boundaries.

How would you propose that our City would receive effective representation when we would have to deal with two separate entities?

I request that our entire city stays within the Leduc-Beaumont boundary.

Anything less than that would be ludicrous!

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## Interim Report Submission from Jeanette Gariepy

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Naming of electoral boundaries

**Submission**

Most insane to divide the city of Beaumont into 2 different electoral boundaries.  
We have more in common with Leduc than Strathcona. No valid reason to do this.

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**Interim Report Submission from Miranda McBrayne**

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation
- Naming of electoral boundaries

### Submission

Splitting a city in half makes no sense. All that would do is cause further division of our city.

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## Interim Report Submission from Douglas Jacobi

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Geographical features
- Naming of electoral boundaries



## Submission

Do NOT want city of Beaumont divided in proposed electoral division!

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**Interim Report Submission from Mark Carder**

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation
- Projected growth

- Naming of electoral boundaries

### **Submission**

There is no reason to split Beaumont in half as an electoral boundary. It is not that big. We can be effectively represented by a single MLA

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**Interim Report Submission from Leah Beier**

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation

**Submission**

I do not wish for our community to be 'split' down the middle regarding boundaries. It's an artificial line that needs to be redrawn. This community needs to remain intact as a whole regarding MLA representation. It makes no sense to divide a community, and issues concerning our community need to be represented wholly, not just for half of them.

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## Interim Report Submission from Nicole Wickberg

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Other concerns

**Submission**

this is one of the most ridiculously stupid ideas I've heard! You seriously want to spit a "city" that is less than 3km by 3 km in half???

That is not proper representation at all! All it will create, is more division. Who even comes up with these ridiculous ideas?

Beaumont needs to kept as 1 electoral vote... not split into two, causing further division.

Where is the adult in the room to kibosh this ridiculous idea! Please, stop the stupidity!

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## Interim Report Submission from Pamela Henson

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Hybrid electoral divisions



**Submission**

It makes no sense to divide a town into two. This is not good electoral zoning. This is a huge concern for me and for my Town council and also Administrative duty's.

I am 100 percent against this and I am asking you to not break the town in two.

Thank you

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## Interim Report Submission from Margaret Caddy

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80 - Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation

**Submission**

What a massive undertaking! You have done amazing work. I love that you broke up Rimbey Rocky Sundre . Very happy with the boundaries. Thank you

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Other concerns

### Submission

We do not need to separate Beaumont. Keep it as is.

Reconsider keeping the boundaries as is.

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**Interim Report Submission from Ron Baugh**

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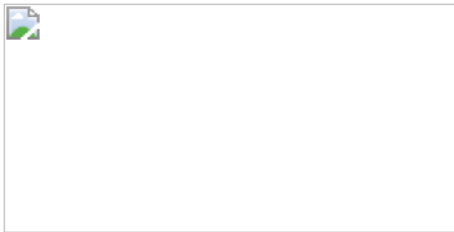
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**What is your current electoral division?**

78 - Red Deer-North

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

77 - Red Deer-North

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Urban concerns
- Central Alberta concerns
- Hybrid electoral divisions
- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

**Submission**

I would like to share my thoughts on the electoral boundary for Red Deer North with the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission in hopes of assisting you with the important task that you have undertaken.

As someone who was born here and been a resident of Red Deer North since before there were any paved roads, I feel that I have a non-unique and perhaps a widely encompassing viewpoint on how most of Red Deer residents think. By living and working here most of my life I have watched Red Deer grow (especially in the last 10 years) and develop into the modern diverse city that it now is. During this time, I have talked with literally thousands of residents, both new and old, about the quality of life we enjoy now and what we would like to see in the future. These discussions have also included my many friends, acquaintances and relatives in the surrounding area. While there is a significant congruency of modes of thought amongst most people there are significant and distinct differences between those of us who live within the city and our more rural friends and neighbours. For this reason (the precise details of which I will not burden you with here) I believe that the Red Deer North electoral boundary should remain within the limits of the City of Red Deer and should not include the newly added parts from the riding of Innisfail-Sylvan Lake since Red Deer proper is more of an urban community.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts and I hope I have helped you in the completion of your formidable task.

Respectfully,

Ron Baugh


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**Interim Report Submission from DAVE GALASSO**

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**What is your current electoral division?**

13 - Calgary-Glenmore

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

15 - Calgary-Glenmore

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Effective representation

**Submission**

Hello Boundary Commission Representatives,

I have lived in the community of Oakridge, which is in the riding of Calgary-Glenmore since 2013. I would say that my family is part of the first wave of generational turnover seen with in the community, which was originally build in the 1970's. When we first moved to Oakridge my children were the ages of 1 and 4. Since 2013 we have seen more and more families move into Oakridge, turning it into a vibrant community with a mix of young families, retirees, professionals and new Canadians. I have chosen to participate in the boundary commission submission process to ensure that our riding boundary is a fair representation of the current population. It is my view that the current boundaries represent the residents of Oakridge and the greater riding of Calgary-Glenmore accurately. I do not wish to see the boundaries change. We are truly an urban riding on the SW edge of the city, with all the concerns and benefits of living in a large urban centre, it would not do this riding justice by expanding it's borders to include a rural population (nor would it be fair to the rural population to include them in an urban riding).

Having reviewed the electoral boundary interim options (A & B), I am pleased to see that additional ridings have been provided for Calgary, which I feel is an accurate reflection of our expanding population thru both immigration, emigration and generational independence. I commend the commission on their recognition of the population growth by adding these ridings. However, given the projected growth in Calgary over the next decade and the fact that the boundaries are only reviewed every 8-10 years it would be prudent to consider an additional riding to ensure that as Calgary's population grows and the suburban communities currently under construction are completed and occupied they are fairly represented within an urban boundary with a voice that is representative of them in the legislature.

Again, thanks to the Commission for their hard work and continued vigilance in ensuring that Albertans are represented, accurately, effectively and thoughtfully.

Regards,

Dave Galasso resident of Calgary-Glenmore

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## Interim Report Submission from Dean Clement

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Effective representation
- Naming of electoral boundaries

### Submission

The splitting of Beaumont with one half Leduc county and the other half Strathcona county is the dumbest idea I and many have ever heard of. Leave it alone there is no need for more issues then this country and province have already

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**What is your current electoral division?**

13 - Calgary-Glenmore

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Hybrid electoral divisions
- Communities of interest

- Effective representation
- Other concerns

## Submission

I am writing as an Alberta resident to express concerns about several aspects of the proposed boundary changes, particularly the creation of hybrid ridings and the elimination of the Lesser Slave Lake constituency. I recognize the difficulty of balancing population growth with fair representation and appreciate the work done so far. Even so, the current proposal falls short in key areas that affect accessibility, community identity, and meaningful democratic voice. My comments focus on how the proposed boundaries affect an MLA's practical ability to represent constituents in Alberta's current political reality.

### 1. Hybrid ridings undermine effective representation in a divided political environment

Albertans experience some overlapping challenges, but their day-to-day priorities, service needs, and socioeconomic realities often differ significantly. This is increasingly true in a politically polarized province. Issues such as land use, industry regulation, transportation, health care access, and environmental pressures frequently pull rural, urban, and socioeconomically diverse communities in opposing directions.

When a district combines a large rural region with part of an urban centre, or merges communities with wide socioeconomic differences, those priorities become difficult to reconcile. It is not realistic to expect one MLA to effectively represent communities with fundamentally competing needs. The result is whipsawed representation, where priorities shift based on pressure rather than genuine alignment. No matter how capable the MLA, part of the riding will consistently feel unheard.

The impact is greatest on communities with the least economic and political leverage, including lower-income households, Indigenous communities, remote settlements, and working-class urban neighbourhoods. These groups are already underrepresented. Hybrid ridings compound that problem rather than solving it.

### 2. Socioeconomic imbalance distorts political influence

The problem is amplified when higher-income exurban or semi-rural areas are merged with lower-income or remote communities. Areas just outside city limits tend to be more affluent and more connected to political systems. Wealth affects who donates, who can volunteer, levels of political engagement, and ultimately, which issues rise within political parties. This is a systemic reality, not a moral judgement.

When affluent areas are combined with communities that have fewer resources, political influence tilts immediately, even if unintentionally. Over time, this shapes nominations, internal party priorities, and policy focus. Representation becomes

skewed toward those with the most capacity to exert influence, leaving marginalized communities further behind.

### 3. The elimination of Lesser Slave Lake raises serious optics and representation concerns

The proposed elimination of the Lesser Slave Lake constituency raises concerns that go beyond geography. The region has recently been at the centre of political tension after its current MLA, Scott Sinclair, publicly challenged government decisions. While the Commission's work is independent, removing this riding at this moment risks being perceived as punitive by communities that already feel politically vulnerable.

Lesser Slave Lake includes many Indigenous communities, remote settlements, and lower-income areas that have historically had to fight for visibility within Alberta's political system. Splitting the region across multiple ridings dilutes its influence and weakens its collective voice. In a province where trust in democratic institutions is already strained, boundary changes that appear to reduce minority representation or silence dissent risk deepening disengagement.

### 4. Party dominance means boundaries must do more to protect effective representation

Alberta's highly centralized party system further complicates these issues. MLAs are expected to adhere closely to party policy. In hybrid ridings with competing priorities, an MLA is often forced to defer to party direction because it is not possible to represent two opposing groups effectively at the same time.

Unless party dominance is meaningfully reduced, electoral boundaries must compensate for this reality. When boundaries combine incompatible communities or wide socioeconomic divides, they remove one of the few remaining structural safeguards for effective representation. This concentrates power within party structures and further limits an MLA's ability to advocate meaningfully for marginalized communities.

### 5. Structural imbalance drives voter apathy

When ridings become too large, too diverse, or too internally conflicted, smaller communities lose influence. This is a structural outcome, not a matter of intent. People who believe their priorities will always be overshadowed by wealthier or more organized groups are less likely to vote, engage, or trust the system. Alberta already struggles with voter disengagement, and hybrid ridings risk accelerating that trend.

### 6. Suggestions for a more balanced approach

I offer the following suggestions in the spirit of strengthening effective representation:



- Maintain Lesser Slave Lake as a unified constituency based on its shared history, Indigenous representation, and community identity, using allowable variance for northern and remote ridings.
- Avoid rural-urban hybrid ridings and ridings that combine communities with fundamentally incompatible priorities.
- Consider socioeconomic alignment when drawing boundaries and avoid merging high-income exurban areas with lower-income or remote communities in ways that distort political influence.
- Strengthen boundaries that follow real service regions, cultural regions, and transportation corridors.
- Recognize that in a highly centralized party system, coherent constituencies are essential to giving MLAs the ability to represent their communities effectively.

## Conclusion

I encourage the Commission to avoid districts that blend fundamentally different communities of interest or fracture long-standing regions for the sake of numerical compliance alone. Electoral boundaries should reflect real social, economic, and geographic relationships and support effective representation in practice, not just in theory. Reinforcing public trust requires boundaries that reduce friction, protect marginalized voices, and give MLAs a realistic chance to serve the people who elect them.

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**What is your current electoral division?**

69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

85 - Strathcona-Sherwood Park

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Communities of interest

- Effective representation

### Submission

Dividing the city of Beaumont into two separate ridings is not okay. Beaumont is still a small city much less than the maximum threshold for a riding. All the kids go to the same high school, and same activities. It does not make sense to divide Beaumont into two separate ridings. Especially given that Strathcona county has much different interests than Beaumont. Keep Beaumont as part of the riding with Leduc.

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

**Submission**

I am concerned that splitting the city of Beaumont in half, with one half falling within the Leduc- Beaumont riding, and the other within Strathcona-Sherwood Park, will risk limiting effective representation for Beaumont within the Legislature. Beaumont is economically integrated with Leduc and Leduc County, with many residents working in Leduc's industrial areas, and it is not economically integrated with Strathcona County. Having two MLA's representing Beaumont would create a risk that Beaumont's particular concerns are not effectively addressed, since one MLA's focus will be more on Leduc, and the other on Sherwood Park. Beaumont faces particular challenges given it's fast growth, and low commercial and industrial tax base, which requires effective representation in the Legislature to address. It would make more sense to group the entirety of Beaumont in one riding to give it effective representation.

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**What is your current electoral division?**

18 - Calgary-Mountain View

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

17 - Calgary-Klein

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Hybrid electoral divisions
- Communities of interest

**Submission**

I am a retired teacher in my late 70's living in the section of Calgary Mountain View which the Interim Report says is slated to become part of Calgary Klein.

I haven't paid much attention to electoral boundaries in the past but a recent invitation to an information session provided by Public Interest Alberta peaked my curiosity, especially since I was already vaguely aware of recent suggestions to split Lethbridge into 4 electoral districts adding surrounding rural areas to complete numbers required.

It was a relief to learn that the Lethbridge suggestion was not approved. Thank you. It was also interesting to understand the rationale adopted by the commission with regard to communities of interest which for me make so much sense. I do understand that hybrid electoral divisions cannot always be avoided when dealing with areas around the perimeter of larger urban areas but they are to be avoided if possible.

When it comes to reducing the number of voters in Calgary Mountain View and adding a section north of 16th Avenue to make up numbers in Calgary Klein and still allow for growth in that division, I am pleased with the interim proposal. The area used to have many post war bungalows with big yards which are now being bought up and redeveloped to accommodate duplexes, four plexes and even some rows of town houses.

While I do have some concerns about road congestion where off road parking is not being provided, overall I recognize the need for more housing relatively close to bus transit. Your plans for Calgary Klein seem set take into account projected growth in our area.

I hope that the Interim Report proposals I have mentioned will remain unchanged in the final report. I now appreciate all the work required to change electoral boundaries.

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Hybrid electoral divisions



**Submission**

Why would you split one of Alberta's fastest growing communities into two different electoral divisions. I don't need two MLAs to deal with a single community.

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Central Alberta concerns

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

### **Submission**

Splitting the city of Beaumont into two separate ridings will only increase confusion from residents on who actually represents them and make it difficult to advocate for the communities interests.

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69 - Leduc-Beaumont

**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Communities of interest

- Geographical features
- Effective representation
- Projected growth

## Submission

Resident Submission to the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission

Subject: Please Keep the City of Beaumont in One Electoral District

Name: Bob Sleep\_\_\_\_\_

Community: Beaumont, Alberta

Date: December 13 2025\_\_\_\_\_

I am a resident of the City of Beaumont and I am writing to express my strong opposition to the interim recommendation to split Beaumont between two provincial electoral districts.

Beaumont is a single, close knit city with shared schools, community facilities, cultural organizations, and municipal services. Families across the city participate in the same programs, attend the same places of worship, and rely on the same transportation and emergency services. Dividing Beaumont would unnecessarily disrupt this shared community identity.

Splitting the city would also weaken our political representation. Having two MLAs represent different parts of Beaumont would make it harder for residents, community groups, and City Council to advocate for common priorities such as infrastructure, public safety, transit connections, and growth planning. Beaumont is best served by one MLA accountable to the entire community.

I am particularly concerned about the proposal to attach part of Beaumont to a Strathcona County–Sherwood Park district. Beaumont does not share the same community characteristics, growth patterns, or service networks as Sherwood Park or Strathcona County. This alignment does not reflect a true community of interest.

I respectfully request that the Commission revise the proposed boundaries to:

- keep the City of Beaumont whole within a single electoral district; and
- achieve population balance by adjusting boundaries with Leduc County and/or Edmonton's south or southeast neighbourhoods (such as the Ellerslie corridor), where Beaumont has stronger functional and commuting ties.

Keeping Beaumont intact would better respect community identity, provide clearer and more effective representation, and align with the principles set out in Alberta's Electoral Boundaries Commission Act.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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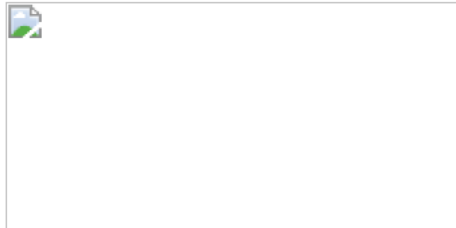
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85 - Strathcona-Sherwood Park

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Central Alberta concerns

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

## Submission

Re: Proposed Division of the City of Beaumont into Two Electoral Ridings

This proposal makes absolutely no sense and demonstrates a fundamental disconnect from the realities of Beaumont as a community.

Beaumont is a single, cohesive city with shared infrastructure, schools, services, culture, and municipal leadership. Artificially slicing it into two provincial ridings serves no logical purpose and actively undermines effective representation. Rather than strengthening democracy, this proposal weakens it by diluting Beaumont's voice and forcing one city to compete with itself for attention and resources.

Electoral boundaries are supposed to reflect communities of interest. Beaumont is a clear, well-defined community of interest—geographically compact, socially integrated, and politically unified. Dividing it does not improve voter parity in any meaningful way; it simply creates confusion, inefficiency, and frustration for residents who will now have different MLAs representing different parts of the same city.

This decision feels arbitrary and tone-deaf. It ignores how people actually live, work, and engage in civic life. Residents don't identify with half a city. They identify with Beaumont.

If the Commission's goal is fair and effective representation, then this proposal fails that test. If the goal is administrative convenience or map-drawing for its own sake, then it comes at the expense of democratic clarity and community integrity.

Beaumont should remain whole within a single electoral district. Anything else is a solution in search of a problem—and Beaumont residents should not be the ones paying the price for it.

I strongly urge the Commission to reconsider this misguided proposal and respect the integrity of our city.

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

68 - Leduc-Beaumont

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Hybrid electoral divisions

**Submission**

Hello,

I am writing today in opposition of the division of Beaumont into two electoral districts along 50th street. What an absurd idea.

Our community should be represented as a whole, not Beaumont East vs Beaumont West. We are still a small enough community to not be split up and shared electorally between two other major municipalities.

As a Beaumont (East) resident (sounds silly doesn't it?) I find myself more regularly shopping/visiting and more personally tied to Leduc than Sherwood Park. I feel like the values of Leduc and Beaumont are much more in line than that of Beaumont and Sherwood Park. I don't do any business in Sherwood Park and feel like to be grouped in with a community geographically farther away than my current district doesn't make any sense at all.

Keep Beaumont united under one electoral district, Leduc-Beaumont. It's what makes logical sense.

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

Proposed electoral boundaries as a whole

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Rural concerns
- Communities of interest

## Submission

### Rebuttal to Proposed Electoral Boundary Changes Affecting Beaumont

Beaumont City Council's request for reconsideration of the proposed electoral boundary changes is warranted, but it must be stated plainly: any proposal that splits or changes Beaumont's provincial riding is unacceptable and harmful to the community.

Beaumont is a small, unified city of approximately 20,000 residents. Dividing a community of this size between two provincial constituencies does not enhance representation—it weakens it, particularly for a municipality that already struggles to secure adequate provincial attention and investment.

**Beaumont Has No Hospital and Limited Healthcare Access.**

Beaumont does not have a hospital and has very limited local healthcare services. Residents rely heavily on surrounding communities for emergency care, specialized treatment, and even basic services. This long-standing gap in healthcare infrastructure has been repeatedly raised with the province, yet progress remains slow.

Splitting Beaumont between two ridings will:

Fragment advocacy for desperately needed healthcare investment

Reduce accountability for addressing the lack of hospital services

Make it easier for Beaumont's healthcare needs to be deprioritized in favour of larger urban centres

A city without a hospital cannot afford diluted political representation.

**Infrastructure and Services Are Already Under Strain**

In addition to healthcare, Beaumont faces serious and ongoing challenges related to:

Insufficient infrastructure funding

School overcrowding and delayed school construction

Roadway congestion and limited transportation capacity

Rapid population growth without matching provincial support

These issues require strong, unified advocacy at the provincial level. Splitting the city means no single MLA will be fully responsible for championing Beaumont's needs, leaving the community competing for attention within two larger ridings.

**Splitting Beaumont Weakens Accountability**

Dividing Beaumont down 50th Street is an arbitrary solution that ignores how the city functions in reality. Beaumont operates as a single community with shared services, governance, and priorities. A split would:

Dilute Beaumont's voice in the Legislature

Reduce political leverage

Create confusion over representation and responsibility

Leave Beaumont as a secondary concern in both ridings

For a small city already fighting for basic services, this is not effective representation—it is poor planning.

While population growth in Beaumont and Leduc is acknowledged, growth alone does not justify dividing a small municipality. The Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission is mandated not only to balance population numbers, but to ensure effective representation. That includes respecting community integrity, municipal scale, and service realities.

There are alternatives that address population pressures without splitting Beaumont, and those options must be explored.

Clear and Firm Position

Beaumont must:

Remain whole

Remain within a single provincial riding

Not be split or reassigned under any interim or final boundary option

A city of 20,000 residents with no hospital and inadequate healthcare access cannot afford weakened representation. The Commission must reconsider its proposal and return with a boundary solution that preserves Beaumont's unity and strengthens—not undermines—its ability to advocate for essential services.

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## Interim Report Submission from Greg Kantfield

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**Which proposed electoral division are you making a submission about?**

85 - Strathcona-Sherwood Park

**What issues are you concerned about in your submission?**

- Urban concerns
- Central Alberta concerns

- Communities of interest
- Effective representation

### Submission

I oppose the proposed division of the City of Beaumont into two provincial electoral divisions. Beaumont constitutes a single, integrated municipality with unified governance, shared services, and common community interests.

Splitting the city would violate the principle of effective representation by dividing a cohesive community of interest and creating unnecessary complexity for constituents and their MLA(s). Population parity can be achieved by adjusting boundaries in adjacent areas without fragmenting Beaumont.

I respectfully request that the Commission retain the City of Beaumont within a single provincial electoral division.

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**Submission**

I am deeply frustrated and angered by the proposal to split the City of Beaumont into two provincial electoral divisions. Beaumont is one city, one community, and it should be represented as such.

Dividing Beaumont would arbitrarily tear apart a close-knit community that shares schools, services, neighbourhoods, and a common civic identity. This proposal ignores how people in Beaumont actually live, work, and participate in their community. It would weaken our collective voice and reduce our effectiveness in advocating for the needs of a rapidly growing city.

Beaumont is not a boundary problem to be solved—it is a community to be respected. Population balance should not come at the expense of common sense or community integrity. Splitting our city would be unfair, unnecessary, and deeply disrespectful to the people who live here.

Beaumont must remain whole in a single provincial electoral division.

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