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The Redistribution Committee has done some very good changes in the proposed boundaries. Good examples include the Menzies orientation of centering around the Box Hill-Doncaster axis, avoiding a crossing of the Yarra at Manningham Council and using freeways as boundaries for the most part which are strong boundaries. The best one used here is the Monash Freeway as the southern Chisholm boundary. These principles should be kept at all costs in the final report. However, there are some areas that could be improved. Some of the boundaries are outright weird and need to be improved. For example, Melbourne should cross at Southbank rather than at South Yarra and extending all the way to Prahran. Prahran East also shouldn't be in Kooyong but rather Macnamara. Menzies should have Warrandyte removed since with the direction the committee is going, the green wedge is going to be split and it is better to unite it. I support a north-south orientation of both Menzies and Deakin. The committee has gone halfway there but I would like the committee to fully adopt it since it allows very good communities of interest in both seats. The western boundary of Menzies needs to be tidied up rather than arbitrarily going through minor local streets. This can be achieved by incorporating Balwyn North and Balwyn into Menzies where there are more major roads that can be used as boundaries. Malvern East and Chadstone shopping centre shouldn't be included in Hotham which spans all the way to Noble Park which is a very different type of demographic. Overall, it is a sound proposal that doesn't need major changes but needs minor tweaks as stated above.