

Written Submission

on the 2025 Electoral Boundaries Commission Interim Report

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Submission/Message

Good Day

As residents of Enterprise, which is presently in the Deh Cho riding, we are firmly opposed to being amalgamated into the Hay River district. We are presently served by our MLA Cheryl Yakaleya and are quite happy with where we're at. We feel that we would be completely ignored by Hay River if this were to happen.

Enterprise is a small community that has very few voters. Being part of the Deh Cho gives us a voice, as this district has a number of smaller communities which gives each community a voice. The candidate who runs this in district can win or lose the election by the margin of votes Enterprise currently has.

If Enterprise was part of the much larger Hay River south district, we would have little or no impact on outcomes or representation.

This committee was tasked with giving NWT residents representation. Moving the Hamlet of Enterprise with 30 voters into the much larger district would take away our representation.

Thank you,
Pat and Evellyn Coleman