

Written Submission

on the 2025 Electoral Boundaries Commission Interim Report

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Submission/Message

As a resident of the Ingraham Trail, I am writing to urge the Commission to reconsider their intent to move the residents of the Ingraham Trail from Yellowknife North to Tu Nedhè-Wiilideh. The Commission is tasked with designing electoral boundaries that ensure that everyone is well represented and that, to the extent possible, keep communities of interest together. A community of interest is defined as a group of people that share common bonds, whether they be bonds of language, culture, history, transportation links, economic interests, social networks or demographic characteristics. In all of these areas, the residents of the Ingraham Trail, the majority of which are non-Indigenous people who depend on Yellowknife for employment, education, recreational facilities and basic human needs (groceries, health care etc.) share common bonds with Yellowknife. There is no connection or common bond with the Indigenous communities that comprise Tu Nedhè-Wiilideh. Removing the Ingraham Trail from Yellowknife North would do a disservice to Ingraham Trail residents by removing their voice and representation with respect to the issues that directly affect them.