

The District of Chetwynd wishes to inform residents that the BC Electoral Boundaries Commission will be reviewing electoral district boundaries throughout BC.

The BC Electoral Boundaries Commission is gathering public input on the current process to redraw electoral boundaries for B.C.'s ridings. This review may recommend the consolidation of the Peace River South and Peace River North into one riding represented by only one Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA). This outcome would be detrimental to the Peace Region.

- The present government removed previous protections to ensure that rural ridings did not become too large.
- There is the potential for Northern B.C. to go from 8 seats to 5, and that the entire Peace be served by a single MLA.
- Face-to-face meetings will become difficult in a rural riding that would take as long to drive across as it takes to drive from Prince George to Vancouver.
- In-person meetings are important because many people in rural communities lack reliable internet or cell service and cannot rely on Zoom.
- Share your thoughts with BC Electoral Boundaries Commission at the link below, and provide in person submissions regarding the importance of fair representation in rural BC at a public meeting when one is scheduled in our area.

Please participate in the important online survey and let the Province know that we need at least two MLAs at: <https://bcebc.ca/your-voice/>

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