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## **DEMERGER PUBLIC HEARINGS DEFERRED**

The Local Government Boundaries Commission has deferred its public hearings into the demerger proposals affecting Snowy Valleys Council and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council.

“This postponement is necessary to ensure compliance with Public Health Orders enforcing restrictions on gatherings to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID-19”. said Commission Chair Bob Sendt.

“The public hearings will be deferred until such time as they can be held in accordance with the Local Government Act and open to the public to attend.”

The Boundaries Commission is also extending the period for written submissions beyond the original closing date of 24 April 2020. The submission period will remain open until further notice.

The Boundaries Commission will notify the public of the revised closing date for submissions and the dates and venues for hearings once COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings are lifted. At least 40 days' notice will be given of these dates.

Written submissions can be forwarded to the Local Government Boundaries Commission, Executive Officer, Locked Bag 3015, Nowra NSW 2541 or emailed to [EO@lgbc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:EO@lgbc.nsw.gov.au).

The Commission has also published FAQs on its [website](#) to inform the local community about the process.

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