

The Hon. JOHN GRAHAM: When you look across the border at the broader Canberra region it would be helpful to this Committee to understand where you see that region. Where does it extend into New South Wales? Clearly Queanbeyan is part, but where else is picked up in that slice of the economy?

Ms LUNDY: We can actually give you a proper answer on that because it picks up all of the surrounding local government areas. That is what the Chief Minister used to describe as the capital region or the broader Canberra region. They meet regularly. They have an ongoing conversation about collective economic interests, et cetera. So that is quite formalised. We can get you a formal answer on that. Many years ago I was on regional development bodies as well and it was the same then. They have morphed a little, they have tended to pick up behind the range now and look more to the south-east but not the coastal—that is a different economic zone in some respects. It has organised itself in a different way.

Mr KEOGH: It tends to be to the east of Canberra and to the south-east. It goes up to Goulburn and then—

The Hon. JOHN GRAHAM: It would be very helpful if you could provide that so the Committee knows what it looks like from the point of the Australian Capital Territory when you are looking into New South Wales....

The Canberra Region refers to the ACT and those surrounding Local Government Areas which together comprise the Canberra Region Joint Organisation, as illustrated on the map below.

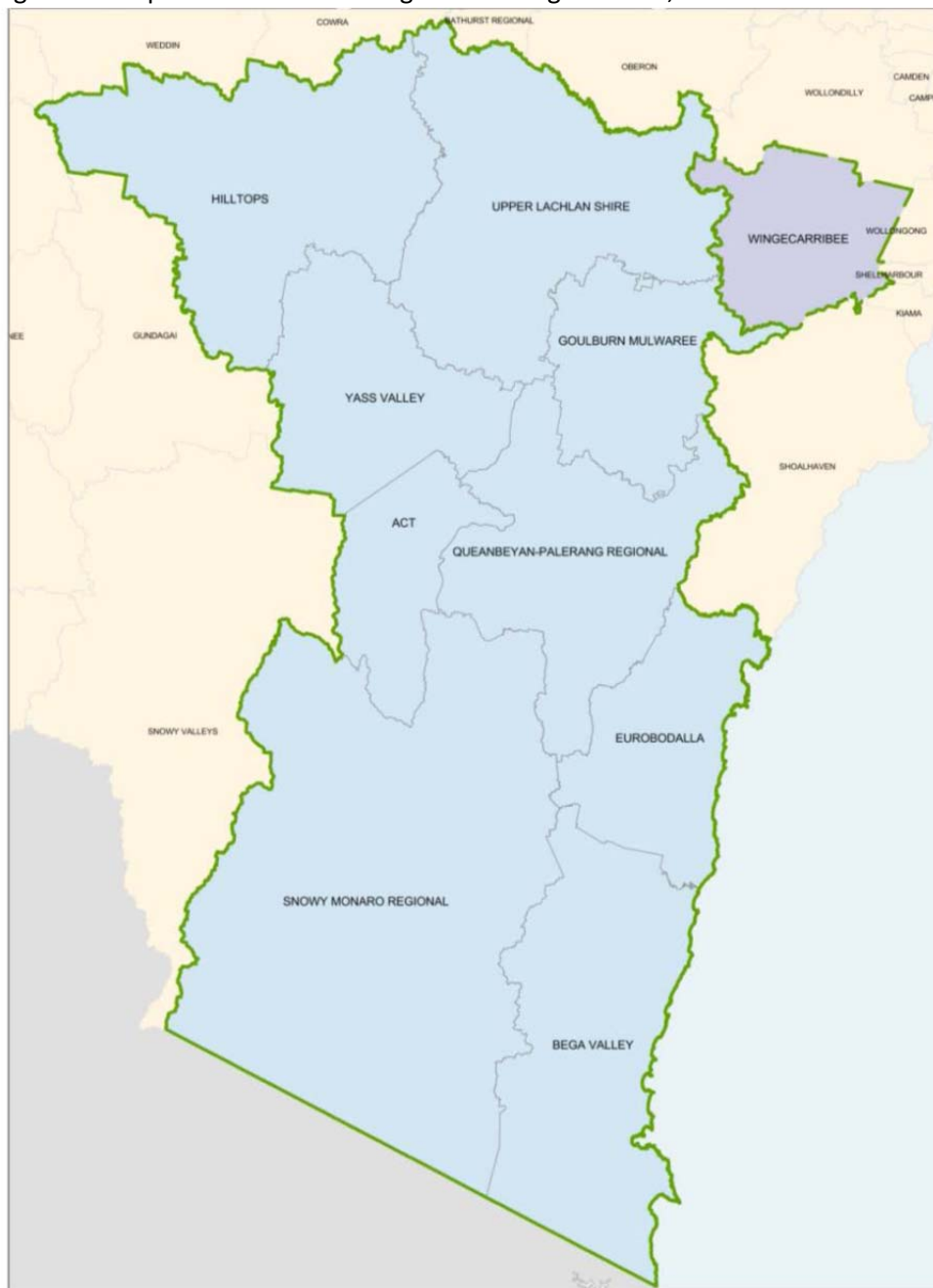


Figure 1: Canberra Region Joint Organisation Map