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While increases are a part of life, once again the council uses the people they serve as their personal wallet.

Question. What happened to the 30 years of rates paid by the forestry industry before harvest when no logging trucks travelled the roads. Over 30 years the forestry has already paid the fees.

The increase will drive the forestry industry not to reinvest, in particular smaller outfits but even larger ones will reduce investment. How will you pay to support the people who lose their jobs, their truck's and in the end their homes. Reduced road tax, reduced rates intake.

This is just a money grab to meet an immediate issue without follow through for the long-term consequences.

This was to be online but as a discussion to the plan was fixed to 3 options I find that is not to be a discussion.

Regards, Bruce Burr