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Subject: I OPPOSE the Roothing Rate (Forestry Exotic) Increase

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Dear Waitomo District Council,

I am writing to oppose the proposed increase in the Roothing Rate (Forestry Exotic) by nearly 1,200%. I believe the council has not fully considered the overall impacts this rate hike will have on companies, families, and the environment.

Many forestry companies in the area have been paying rates for years, trusting that the council would maintain the roads adequately. This drastic increase fails to account for the significant financial strain it will place on these companies and the families they support. The proposed rate increase is disproportionate and could lead to reduced investment in the local forestry sector, job losses, and negative economic consequences for the entire community.

Please reconsider this proposal and explore more balanced alternatives that do not unfairly burden forestry property owners.

Sincerely,

Eleanor