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Submission: As a ratepayer in Ballina Shire I object to the SRV request by council. The previous and recent SRV was supposed to be to fix the swimming pools, but little has been done and now we're told the costs are much higher. The pools currently function well anyway. The rates have already been increasing faster than inflation or incomes without another SRV. The council states they need the money to improve the water quality of the Richmond river, which spans several councils and, however noble a concept, is beyond the ability of the Ballina council. They should have first been negotiating with the other stakeholders. There is currently \$500k plus earmarked to close a road at Lake Ainsworth which is opposed by the majority of residents according to surveys. This is a low income shire and it is unreasonable to grant another SRV to Ballina shire council.