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Submission: From: Tony Yeigh [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 26 February 2016 10:40 AM
To: Local Government Mailbox
Subject: Lismore rate variation to support the Biodiversity Management Strategy

Dear Local Government;

Please know I am a resident of the Lismore LGA and that I support Lismore City Council's application for a special rate variation of 1.8% to raise \$500,000 p.a. for the implementation of the Biodiversity Management Strategy (BMS). I feel this rate variation is justified because the BMS reflects a strong community desire to protect our environment, as indicated by the recent "Imagine Lismore" community consultation project. The Lismore City Council area is part of the north-eastern NSW biodiversity hotspot and thus supports many threatened species. The BMS is therefore needed to protect these species from further damage, degradation and ongoing risk. I urge you to approve the special rate variation request, especially as the added costs will be truly minimal in relation to the benefits this strategy will deliver. Thanking you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr Tony Yeigh

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