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Your submission for this review:

We own a 550 acre beef farm on the Paterson River. To own an irrigation license on the river is a privilege but the annual cost to have that license is already ridiculously expensive before you even turn the pump on. Farmers feed this country through hard work 24 hours a day seven days a week and with the cost of living, the price of everything we need to farm constantly going up but the dollar value we receive for whatever we sell staying the same or reducing, it wont be long before farmers cannot afford to farm. Farmers are already selling to developers. Who will feed our country then? This proposed price hike is unacceptable and not necessary. Its an additional stress farmers dont need. This price hike should not be supported or even considered. Thank you.