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Dear planners,

Please reduce Irelands Carbon Budget by 8% per annum in this first period and do not include any tricks like forward counting forestry.

This level of reduction is vital for climate justice and to show international leadership. It is also needed to maintain the trust of our young generation in our political system which has failed to deserve their trust on tackling the Climate & Biodiversity Emergency to date.

I would prefer to see a progressive tax whereby business and industry pay for the majority of the impacts; we - as consumers - buy products out of necessity largely, but producers make large impact decisions about the means and technology they employ for profit reasons - we can't really influence that, but government policies can greatly could influence that in a shorter timeframe leading to significant reductions in carbon on an industrial scale. Any increase in an already heavy tax burden for the working and middle classes will dissuade us from engaging with the climate crises - we are already exhausted from the crash, housing and health crises - there is a real possibility of this being a tipping point, even greater than the water charges. We need to win over people's hearts for them to accept the changes we all need to make. Innovation at industry and business level needs to be encouraged by creating disincentives to harm creation - in order to ensure buy-in we need to apply the polluter pays principle to business and conversely provide incentives for the so-called public, I.e. individual citizens.

Yours sincerely,

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