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Subject: Oppose landfill expansion
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I am writing in reference to:

Janet Ohmann's testimony: (BC04_T0780-Jan 27, 2026-Ohmann Janet)

Faye Yoshihara's testimony: (BC04_T0778-Jan 17, 2026-Yoshihara, Faye)

My name is Jesse Brown, I reside at 38987 Arena Rd., Corvallis, OR 97330.

I am a resident of Corvallis and a small business owner. I am an arborist and owner of Trillium Tree Care. In addition to living in the area close to the landfill, I frequently work in the Soap Creek Valley and NW Corvallis. As an arborist, my job is entirely outdoors. I do not have a choice to stay indoors when the smells from the landfill are strong, which they frequently are. Particularly in recent months and each fall, winter, and spring, the smells from the dump are nauseating and cause headaches. I continue to work through them because my livelihood depends on it, but I want to emphasize that the smells have a significant affect on my day-to-day well-being, and that of my crew. We have all noticed a concerning increase in both frequency, and intensity in direct correlation to the rapid growth of the landfill over the past 8 years.

I have filed several DEQ complaints, but as I stated before, my job is entirely outdoors and the DEQ complaint process is time very cumbersome and difficult to do from a mobile device. I simply do not have time to file complaints as frequently as necessary to accurately report each event.

While working, we regularly smell the landfill from properties on Airlie, Rifle Range, Wiles, Robison, Adair, Arboretum Rd, all throughout the Soap Creek Valley, and at my house 3.5 miles west of the landfill.

On this beautifully sunny Saturday, Jan 31, the smell was so strong that I was unable to go outside and enjoy my outdoor space. Forced to stay indoors until 12:15 before the winds picked up enough to push the Air/smell to the SE toward Adair and the Calloway Creek development.

This is a terrible geographic location for a landfill of this size. Allowing additional growth via expansion will compound the risk, health, and environmental impacts for decades. The county has extensive data, testimony, and justification strongly supporting a decision to deny this expansion. There is only one decision that is truly in the best interest and health for Benton County and Corvallis residents. Deny the expansion.

Sincerely,

Thanks,

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