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The DEQ declared several violations of Coffin Butte Landfill to contain **gas being released** into our air. Operators of the dump are unable to keep up with the huge volume of waste constantly being added. Violations resulted because Coffin Butte could not **remonitor and take corrective action per regulations**. Our landfill problems are multiplied because the sheer volume of trash is unmanageable, much like Lucy trying to keep up with chocolates on the conveyer belt.

Space satellites have measured landfill gas emissions for miles from the landfill. I suffer bronchial and lung wheezing associated with exposure to fine particulate matter. Corvallis used to have cleaner air. Unfortunately, wild fires have made it difficult for me to spend time in my orchard and garden during our dry summers. Exposure to fine particulate matter is linked to heart and lung problems, asthma, irregular heart beat and heart attacks. Particulate matter from unconfined gas emissions from the landfill added to our smaller particles from wild fires causes more coughing and difficulty breathing. PFAS spread in methane gas plumes from Coffin Butte. It's like overfilling a prison without proper containment measures. The solution is to REDUCE the size of intake rather than EXPAND.

Commissioners should not allow expansion of our overfull landfill to ANY waste company simply on the basis of their application promising to meet all the DEQ guidelines. All those counties other than Benton County should be notified that their invitation to discharge their waste in our backyard has an expiration date so they must work now to find alternatives to dispose of their trash.

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