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Dear Commissioners,

Please note that I write to you today as a private citizen, not in my capacity as a Corvallis City Councilor.

For twenty years I lived near Lewisburg, downwind from Coffin Butte. During that time, I experienced—and often spoke out against—the odors, truck traffic, roadside debris, and the reality of our landfill serving as a disposal site for much of the Willamette Valley.

That said, I believe it would be extremely short-sighted to deny a modest expansion. To do so risks oversimplifying and short-circuiting a complex and pressing challenge: the need for coordinated, long-term, and region-wide planning for landfill capacity and waste management.

As you are aware, the Governor has established a task force under HB 3794 to study and recommend realistic solutions to the broader issue. Seven Oregon counties, including Benton County, are represented on this panel. It is essential that Benton County's approach to this appeal set a constructive example for others to follow.

In closing, I believe the consequences of refusing to expand will create far greater problems than the challenges posed by a modest expansion.

Thank you for your service and for considering this perspective.

Sincerely,

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