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Attn: Benton County Board of Commissioners

Re: Landfill Expansion Proposal Testimony

Dear Commissioners Wyse, Shepherd, and Malone:

I hope this letter finds you all well. I am writing to you as a very concerned member of the Lewisburg/ Corvallis community, just a handful of miles away from Coffin Butte landfill. Please, please sustain the decision to deny Republic Services their expansion request. It is disastrous for the environment, and for the wildlife and humans alike in this community, for both present and future generations. Any expansion of this sort would affect every facet of our community: the general health of residents, as well as the surrounding wetland species that call this are their home; housing, our local economy in general and tourism, property values, air quality, even the agricultural sector that would have to endure the dirty air while they worked. We have for the last 7 year of living on our 23 acres in Lewisburg, been committed to stewarding our land which is nestled in a riparian zone between Frazier and Jackson Creeks, and thus home to dozens of species of wild animals. I speak for them, as well, in a fervent voice to protect the vital ecosystem which we share in order to live.

The prior unanimous decisions to reject Republic Services expansion proposal were the right actions to take. Please, please uphold this decision and by doing so, save our beautiful county from harmful chemicals and natural denigration from additional waste. The health of our natural environment and residents of all species is invaluable; no amount of money or manipulative persuasion can replace it once it is gone. Please help us to preserve and steward our home, a place that we are all so very lucky in which to live, precisely for its clean air and natural beauty.

I greatly appreciate your time and consideration of this testimony.

Sincerely,

Lesley Tonna