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Dear County Commissioners,

I am a 45 year resident of this community and I continue to be opposed to the expansion of Republic's landfill.

The expansion of the landfill violates the core values of Benton County's environmental goals by turning a blind eye to alternative methods of waste disposal which are friendlier to the environment. It also violates the core value of promoting the health of its residents by allowing the continuation of leachate and gases, not to mention the fire hazard. It has been shown over and over that Republic does not comply in the oversight of the environmental regulations. Why are we to believe they will do so going forward? Not to mention that the financial compensation Benton County receives for this expansion is meager. I know budgets are tight and that makes the temptation greater to take in every possible dollar. But I'd much rather have a cut in services rather than sell out our future for these dollars. It's also evident that the above problems outlined do very "seriously interfere with uses on adjacent property, with the character of the area, and with the purpose of the zone [Benton County Code 53.215 (1)]. And it does very seriously "impose an undue burden on any public improvements, facilities, utilities or services available to the area [Benton County Code 53.215 (2)]"

Please resist the will of this corporation which puts profits way ahead of our community. I understand that large corporations have a power of their own that can unconsciously persuade community leaders to give way to action they would never permit otherwise. Please uphold the decision of the planning commission.

Thank you
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