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To: Coffin Butte Landfill Appeals

Subject: [SUSPICIOUS] WEB FORM SUBMISSION - LU-24-027 Coffin Butte Proposed Expansion Written Testimony

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Written Testimony:

I am writing (again) to express my concerns regarding Coffin Butte's request to expand the landfill. As I've become more educated in this subject, I don't see a reason for even entertaining this request. Coffin Butte is run by a for profit corporation with headquarters in another state. They make money by inviting garbage of all kinds from all corners of the PNW to find a final resting place in \*our home\*. We, the residents of Corvallis, are left with the toxic consequences of how \*they\* choose to run \*their\* business. And those consequences are very likely to lead to a SUPERFUND site. \*WHY\* would we allow this? The amount of money we are paid is most certainly not worth contaminating our lands for generations to come. It makes absolutely NO SENSE and their request MUST BE DENIED. Furthermore, if it were possible to terminate their contract sooner than the current agreement, I would do so. Yes, Corvallis would be left to figure out what to do with our trash-but we can do that. It might cost more, but we could find a responsible approach that wouldn't leave us with a toxic pit just outside our city limits and we would adjust. Acting as the dump for our neighbors far & wide is not the answer. If Republic Services were not here, they would figure it out as well. Republic Services isn't concerned about our quality of life. They don't care if we have methane clouds hovering over our neighborhoods or toxic runoff leaking into our water. They only want to use our land for a relatively short period of time and make what money they can from it—and then leave US with the consequences. But this can only happen if we LET THEM.

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