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Members of the Benton County Board of Commissioners:

I am a Corvallis resident concerned about the environmental impact of an expanded Coffin Butte Landfill. I strongly object to the proposed expansion and urge the Board of Commissioners to deny the application.

Your Planning Commission considered a huge body of information and made the well-informed decision to deny the expansion application. Their decision was carefully written to address specific criteria in the Benton County Code. Based on that record alone, the Board has ample basis to deny the application even after de novo consideration.

The applicant is bolstering the record before you with irrelevant public relations concerns, not facts. The facts have not changed since the Planning Commission's decision.

I previously submitted factually-based written testimony to the Planning Commission and won't repeat it here. See Planning Commission Record, PDF File dated March 27, 2025.

The applicant has no reason to comply with future requirements when they have failed to comply with existing requirements. The applicant argues that there is too much confusion about measurements and practices concerning methane monitoring, so let's just continue what we're doing. This attitude is unacceptable, and the application should be denied for this reason alone.

Based on the ample record before the Planning Commission and the lack of further pertinent facts in the additional record before the Board of Commissioners, the Board is on very strong ground to deny the application and I urge you to do so. Thank you for your consideration.

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