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Written Testimony:

I am writing to support the Planning Commission decision on LU-24027 (Republic Services Coffin Butte Expansion). Our primary concern relates to increased odors. We purchased our house in 1987. It is ~1 km from the landfill. Originally, we rarely detected odors, but morning dump odors have been omni-present for the last 5 years. Republic asserts that they will mitigate odor by drilling additional gas wells. This is spurious as they must drill additional wells for an ever-expanding footprint. I served on SWAC for over 20 years and more recently a short time on DSAC. It was our general understanding that odor complaints to the State were forwarded to Coffin Butte and considered resolved at that point. Few, including ourselves, made odor complaints because we realised the futility of the process. The expansion will bring the odors even closer to our property and other neighbors making it more difficult to enjoy our outdoors. Republic has made a number of business decisions to markedly increase the fill rate, sharply reducing estimated life. We strongly oppose rewarding these decisions by permitting an expansion that will invariably lead to increased neighbor impacts, covering Poison Oak Hill and the eventual closure of the only all-weather road from Soap Creek to Hwy 99W. We urge the Board of Commissions to uphold the Planning Commission decision and protect this area.

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