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To: Coffin Butte Landfill Appeals

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

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Subject of Testimony: Request county approves landfill expansion

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Written Testimony:

I request the county commissioners approves the landfill expansion.

Although I believe we need to reduce the amount of trash that goes to the landfill, as a community, county, and state we are not reducing the tonnage of solid waste fast enough to expect the current landfill to be sufficient for our current and future needs.

I believe expanding the current landfill would be a more cost effective and have a lower environmental impact than trucking our waste to a more distant landfill or creating a new landfill.

I live about 6 miles from Coffin Butte landfill. Back in the early 90's we could smell the landfill on the occasional summer day. I have seen the upgraded controls to minimize the smell and dust generated by the landfill to its neighbors. Although this expansion will directly impact those closest to the landfill I believe those who have been around for years would agree the impact is less now than ever before.

Expanding the landfill is not our 1st choice solution, but with our current technology and solid waste needs I believe it is our best choice at this time.

Respectfully,

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