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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: Support for Coffin Butte Landfill

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Written Testimony:

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Jodi Herrling, and I am the owner of Jodi B. Herrling Photography. I've proudly served this community for many years, and Corvallis isn't just where I work—it's my home. I care deeply about the values we share: sustainability, responsibility, and a strong commitment to supporting local businesses and families.

I'm writing to express my support for the conditional land use permit for the Coffin Butte Landfill

expansion. I understand this is a complex and sometimes difficult issue, but it's one that affects every business

and household in Benton County—including mine.

Even in a small business like mine, some waste is unavoidable. From packaging materials to damaged prints

and worn backdrops, reliable and affordable waste disposal is essential to keeping operations running smoothly.

When disposal options become more limited or expensive, small businesses feel the impact first—through

higher costs that are difficult to absorb and equally difficult to pass on to customers. Over time, that puts real

pressure on local entrepreneurs and the community we serve.

If the landfill reaches capacity and waste must be transported farther away, costs for fuel, hauling, and disposal

will inevitably rise. Those increases will ripple through our local economy, affecting not only businesses but

also families, consumers, and public agencies already managing tight budgets.

Furthermore, Republic Services employs our friends and neighbors, supports local nonprofit organizations, and

contributes to the local economy in meaningful ways.

No one wants a landfill, but we all need responsible infrastructure to manage the waste our community

produces. Supporting this permit provides the necessary time and capacity to plan for future, more sustainable

solutions—without facing immediate disruptions or cost spikes.

As someone who lives, works, and invests in Corvallis, I want to see our community continue

to thrive. That
means making practical, forward-looking decisions about the essential systems we all rely on.
Thank you for your time, your service, and your thoughtful consideration.
Sincerely,
Jodi Herrling
Owner, Jodi B. Herrling Photography

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