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Dear County Board of Commissioners,

My name is Nancy Yialouris. I live at 2717 Quince St NW in Albany, OR 97321. My email address is: Yialouris@aol.com.

I stand in OPPOSITION of the expansion of Coffin Butte Landfill.

My partner and I bought the above property on a sunny day in June of 2022. Little did we know that the area was subject to the stench from Coffin Butte Landfill. Since then, our neighborhood has been subject to frequent, all pervasive, and intense odors which apparently blow in following the contours of the terrain. Anytime there is a heat inversion in the summer or when the air is dense with humidity the stench is so strong we have to close windows when it's warm or in winter, the air intake on our furnace draws the stench inside the house. It awakens us out of a sound sleep! Over time, I've developed irritated "itchy eyes" after experiencing exposure to what flows into our neighborhood from the landfill. I can detect a faint smell of sulphur often, along with the waste stench. I don't know how far we are from Coffin Butte, *as the crow flies*, but we are bordered by Scenic on the east and Oak Grove Dr. on the west side. By car, I'd estimate we are approximately 3-4 miles SE of the landfill, just a rough guess.

You may be aware that there are significant plumes of methane gas that have billowed into the air and actually resulted in the recent passage of legislation at the state level to force action to rectify this situation on the part of Republic Services. Truthfully, I'm not sure anything has been done at the site to mediate the problem yet, though. Methane is odorless and colorless but a very volatile gas raising the risk of potential explosion/fire danger in our area.

I hope as Commissioners that you don't minimize this issue. The stench prevents enjoyment of outdoor activities in our neighborhoods, disrupts sleep, depreciates our property value and it can't be good for our health or the health of the many children who live in this area. I know Republic Services has given lots of money to the community, has been responsible for developing the Y in our town and other sponsorships, but at what cost to those of us who expect clean air and clean water as minimum criteria for a thriving community? I can't imagine it will get better with more refuse over a greater area. The landfill's response to my complaints is always the same: "We cover the refuse with tarps; Our equipment is working; We've been to your area and we don't smell anything." Unfortunately when the issue of odor arises, it isn't always on company time and when it is, I've never seen anyone from Republic Services out here sampling the air.

Thank you for considering my concerns which are the concerns of the entire neighborhood. I know we aren't alone in this. I hope you will consider your constituents over this corporation and vote to reject the landfill expansion.

**Sincerely,
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