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I have lived in my current neighborhood for 40 years. It's a wonderful neighborhood where neighbors enjoy walking and gathering together outdoors. What will happen to property values in our area?

To expand the landfill north of town is very alarming. I am concerned about the noise, pollution risk and fire hazard. Are our values in Corvallis the quality of life or amassing wealth at the detriment of our citizens? Where are our priorities?

North Corvallis is not only where I reside, it's where I am vested in the future.

In 2013 I spearheaded an effort to relocate a one room schoolhouse located on 9th street to the Owens Farm which is located north of the hospital.

There are plans to open up the Owens farmhouse and the school to the public in the future. Already hiking trails around the area are starting to be built. This property has 500 acres of pristine land that is being saved for our future.

School children from all around the county, and probably beyond will someday visit this historic site and learn what it was like to live in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

Imagining that this wonderful area may be marred by it's location to a growing cesspool is unimaginable.

In addition to this treasure being impacted, I often hike the OSU forests at Peavy Arboretum. This is located even closer to Coffin Butte. I don't want to worry about a beloved, established, well used area having to worry about ground pollution and smell.

I remember when the papermill in Albany was very well known because of the stench of the process. People would say 'That is the smell of money'. Albany was known as that stinky town on I5. I don't want Corvallis to be known as that stinky town along Hwy 99.

Has anyone else noticed the irony of the name of the landfill? Are we building one big Coffin north of Corvallis? Again I ask where are our priorities?