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Dear Benton County Commissioners Wyse, Malone and Shepherd,

I am writing to respectfully request that you uphold your Planning Commission's unanimous denial of LU-24-027, Republic Services' application to expand the Coffin Butte Landfill.

The Planning Commission carefully considered all evidence provided by the applicant, as well as considerable testimony, and concluded unanimously that the application did not meet the required Burden of Proof. The evidence submitted by scientists is of greatest concern to me and seems to have been entirely disregarded, particularly the methane and PFAS contamination, and other industrial chemicals leaching into our waterways.

You are familiar with the long list of significant concerns which I share with others who will be testifying and asking you to oppose the expansion of Coffin Butte.

Thank you for your work on behalf of the citizens of Benton County.

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