LU-24-027 IN-PERSON TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL COVER SHEET

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To the Benton County Commissioners:

My name is Julie Smircic. I'm here to express my opposition to the proposed landfill expansion. This proposal has already been denied twice by our appointed Land Use Planning Committee. As our elected officials, I am asking you to uphold their decision and hold the line for our community.

I live in Benton County, I pay property taxes in Benton County and I vote. This issue really matters to me.

There are so many negative impacts to our environment with the current landfill as it is, the only thing we can do now is try not to make a bad situation even worse.

The amount of poisoned water from this landfill that is regularly discharged into the Willamette River is particularly astonishing. This reality alone should be enough to stop any further or future discussion on this proposal. It simply cannot be a consideration.

I had the opportunity to read the joint letter from Senator Gelser and Representative McDonald expressing their opposition. If you haven't read it yet, I encourage you to do so. What I heard in that letter was that when you come together to do the right thing here, you will be supported. They will have your backs. You will not be alone.

I'm asking you to vote for the health and well-being of our community and move to protect our natural resources as best as we can.

Please hold the line by saying no. Make us proud of you. Make us proud to be part of this community.

Thank you,

Julie Smircic

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