

From: [WYSE Nancy](#)
To: [Benton Public Comment](#)
Subject: LU-24-027 FW: For Board of Commissioners : "Landfill Issues and Expansion"
Date: Monday, February 3, 2025 4:43:42 PM

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Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 12:50 PM
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Dear Commissioners,

Please see the note below that was submitted via the contact us option on the website. Bailey will add the message to the community feedback that is being gathered.

Sincerely,

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From: Benton County, Oregon <wordpress@bentoncountyor.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 10:50 AM
To: *Benton Web BOC <bocinfo@bentoncountyor.gov>
Subject: For Board of Commissioners : "Landfill Issues and Expansion"

From: Sara Ash <saralil25@gmail.com>
Subject: Landfill Issues and Expansion

Sent For: Board of Commissioners <bocinfo@bentoncountyor.gov>

Message Body:
Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to you to express my serious and urgent concerns about Coffin Butte Landfill. We live only a few miles from this public hazard, and we have several concerns:

- Air Quality: We smell the stench of this rotting mass quite regularly. The methane smell and the smell of rotting garbage cannot be good for our health, our neighbors, visitors or the community.
- Water Quality: I am very concerned about our water quality. With all the leachates being generated from the landfill, it is only a matter of time before our and other wells are contaminated.
- Truck Traffic: It is one thing to have the truck traffic required to serve the needs of our own community, but the number of trucks coming from all over the state, bring a level of congestion, pollution, and added danger to our local roads and Highway 99.
- Pollution: The amount of litter that spills out of the trucks heading to the landfill is mind boggling. Highway 99 is of course the worst, but so are our other roads of approach, Granger Road, Arnold, and other roads in and around Adair Village. The litter is rarely picked up and it is getting worse every week. It is a blight on our neighborhoods and our community at large. Nothing like saying welcome to Corvallis or Welcome to Benton County than a litter strewn Highway, truck traffic, and a large pile of stinky garbage.

I implore you to please not expand the Landfill. There is no amount of money Benton County could make on this endeavor that will not be eaten up by the lawsuits associated with well water and surface water contamination, excess methane emissions, and loss of property value. Inviting other counties to utilize this dump is inviting environmental disaster. Landfills are better suited for dry climates, not our extremely wet one. The Coffin Butte Landfill is like the County owning a ticking timebomb of pollution, well contamination, degradation, and lawsuits. Stop the Expansion!

Sincerely,
Sara Ash

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