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To: publiccomment@bentoncountyor.gov
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*Dear Commissioners,
I am writing in hopes you deny the application for Republic Services to expand the landfill.
There are too many toxins in our air, water and soil.
Without more investigation into these hazards, one should be very concerned.*

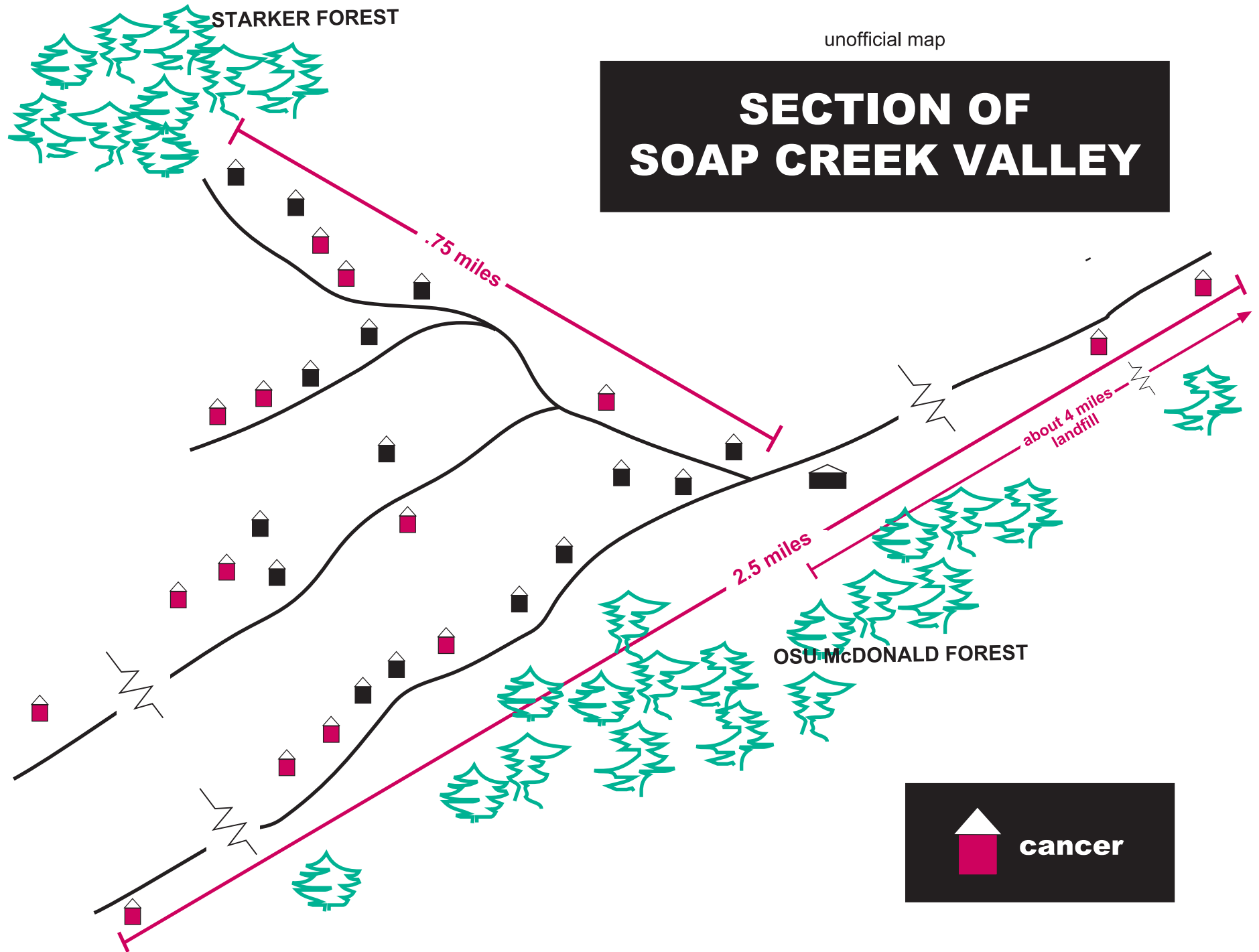
*Did you know Soap Creek Valley has a cancer cluster.
I have lived in the valley for over 35 years and have seen many neighbors die from cancer.
We have and had blood, breast, brain, gall bladder, lung and bladder cancers.
A number of years ago I made an unofficial map (attached) of a section of the valley near to where I live.
Since I drew it, we have had other cases of cancer.*

*Can Republic honestly tell us that the toxins coming from the landfill have nothing to do with the cancers?
Until tests can show all our air, water and soils are free from these hidden dangers, I would not like to see any expansions.
Please deny Republics application ~ for the sake of our health.*

*Thank you for your time,
Vicki Idema
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unofficial map

SECTION OF SOAP CREEK VALLEY



cancer