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Dear Benton County Planning Commissioners,

My name is Cheryl McLean, and my husband, Clint Brown, and I live at 2150 NW Jackson Creek Road, near Crescent Valley High School.

We are writing because we adamantly oppose Republic Services' Conditional Use Permit application LU-24-027 to expand the Coffin Butte landfill. We urge the Planning Commission to deny this application for so many important reasons.

The proposed expansion would seriously interfere with the character of the surrounding area and impose an undue burden on public resources, which is already in violation of Benton County Code 53.215 (1) and (2).

Specifically, this expansion raises major concerns about:

- Air and water pollution that threaten our local ecosystems and community health
- Traffic increases that pose safety risks on nearby roads and pathways
- Odor and noise issues that degrade quality of life for residents and visitors
- Negative impacts on wildlife, recreation, and property values
- Long-term climate and environmental consequences for future generations

The proposed expansion does **nothing** to align with Benton County's 2040 Thriving Communities Initiative. In fact, this expansion **undermines** our shared goals for responsible environmental stewardship, prioritizing public health, and sustainable waste management.

I believe Benton County should invest in waste reduction, recycling, and circular economy solutions, not expanding landfills that perpetuate pollution and place a long-term burden on local communities!

Please reject LU-24-027. Thank you for your consideration and for protecting the health and future of Benton County.

Sincerely,

Cheryl McLean and Clint Brown, Corvallis, Oregon