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Dear Benton County Planning Commissioners,

My name is Linda Lingemann and I live at 820 NW Raintree Drive, Corvallis OR 97330.

I am writing because I strongly oppose Republic Services' Conditional Use Permit application LU-24-027 to expand the Coffin Butte landfill. I urge the Planning Commission to deny this application.

The proposed expansion would seriously interfere with the character of the surrounding area and impose an undue burden on public resources, in violation of Benton County Code 53.215 (1) and (2). Specifically, this expansion raises major concerns about:

- Air and water pollution 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

Where we live, we have experienced these concerns first-hand, specifically, more frequent occurrences of odors from the landfill, as well as increased traffic on Highway 99W, as trucks head for the landfill.

The proposed expansion does nothing to align with *Benton County's 2040 Thriving Communities Initiative*. 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,

Linda Lingemann

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