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Dear Benton County Planning Commissioners,

My name is Kim Davis. 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 Benton County Planning Commission to deny their application.

I am a resident of Salem and am fully aware that Salem's solid waste is now being trucked to the Coffin Butte landfill. Rather than deploy adequate education and regulation in Salem to meaningfully reduce waste, Salem has simply passed the burden from a toxic trash burner in Brooks to a toxic landfill in Corvallis. Worse still, the leachate from the landfill is being dumped into Salem's sewer system and then dumped into our treasured Willamette River. This is wholly unacceptable!

All our counties need to be finding ways to deal with waste now, not later. Please don't just kick the can down the road and expand the landfill. Vote No now to protect our lands and waters and all of us who depend on healthy, thriving environments.

On behalf of our grandchildren, thank you in advance for denying this permit application.

Kim Davis

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