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Subject of Testimony: 5 Reasons to Deny Expansion of Coffin Butte Landfill

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Written Testimony:

I would like to urge Benton County decision makers to deny the proposed expansion of the Coffin Butte Landfill for the following reasons: 1). It is an environmental hazard. High volumes of methane and other harmful gasses leak out of the dump and toxic leachate is dumped into the Willamette River. 2). Republic Services has not managed the environmental hazards. The EPA has twice cited Republic Services yet to no avail. How can we expect them to run a safe facility with that kind of a track record? 3). It is a fire hazard. Several fires have occurred at the landfill and we have just been lucky that quick response from Adair Fire has kept them from creating an LA-style fire in our county. 4). It's not even our trash. We are the recipient of other people's garbage. 5). It stinks. There are better options. Please keep our beautiful county beautiful and deny this expansion.

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