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My name is Susan Maxwell. We just moved into a home at 4904 Scenic Dr NW, Albany, Oregon and have lived in Airlie, Monmouth and Independence for the past 55 years. Over the years, I have seen the dump grow bigger and bigger and smell worse and worse. We moved into our current home in January of this year - the stench is ripe! Especially in the early mornings and late evening. I've smelled it at my home multiple times since we've moved in and I hate to think what the coming summer brings.

I think about all that garbage slowly rotting over the last 50 years, and leaching into the soil. The proposed expansion MUST be rejected for the health of our humans, wildlife and eco-systems. The continuance of Coffin Butte only adds to our already tenuous relationship with the livability of our county and state.

I'd love to have the answers, other than continuing our efforts to reduce, re-use, and recycle. Manufacturers have to step up and reduce packaging and we need to do all we can to keep trash to a minimum. Expanding Coffin Butte is not the answer.

From what I understand, an Arizona-based corporation receives the majority of profit from Coffin Butte while Benton County receives the liability of methane gases and pollution of our water, air and land. I also understand that Coffin Butte has been fined over and over again, yet it is allowed to continue and expand. This violates BBC 215 (1).

Please deny this and any proposed expansion of Coffin Butte.

Susan Maxwell