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Subject of Testimony: Against the Coffin Butte Landfill expansion

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Written Testimony:

Hi, I am a scientist and a lifelong Corvallis resident. I am well informed of the history of the Coffin Butte landfill and the previous EPA visits. I have read up and educated myself on the facts about the methane leaks and the inadequacies of Republic Services of mitigating for these leaks. I am especially concerned because my family house is in the Lewisburg area close to the landfill and that is our legacy property that will be passed down to Our children. We have been able to smell the horrible stench of the landfill from there as well as from many areas in the northwest part of Corvallis including as far as market choice and Bi Mart on ninth Street. I highly advocate for the Benton county land commission and all those in charge to reject Republic Services proposal to expand the landfill. They need to properly mitigate and for their current methane and other gases leaks, especially given that the health of many community members near the landfill has been Harmed. The opposite needs to happen it needs to be controlled, and those issues corrected not expanded. It also infuriated me that the majority of the trash that comes to this landfill is from far away areas of the state and even some from Washington. There's gotta be a better place for that trash.

I am very worried about health issues for my elderly dad who lives in the area and I already have asthma from environmental issues from noxious gases so this is very frustrating to me.

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