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Subject: File # 2021 RES-440 – Please vote NO to Authorizing the Purchase of Yahara Hills Land for County Landfill

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County Board Members,

Please vote "NO" to Authorizing the Purchase of Yahara Hills Land for County Landfill. This landfill will outlive every single person in existence right now. In hundreds of years after we're all gone, there will still be a mountain of garbage in this location, so for something so permanent, it seems irresponsible to rush a decision on its location without public input.

I've heard from Mr. Welch that this is the most cost effective spot for the county- Well it's county savings on the backs of thousands of residents- what is the cost on our property values? Loss of a park? Shouldn't we at least have a say? Also, there was never a plan b, so how do we even know this is the most cost effective location, the due diligence was never done. Please don't do this. There is so much land in Dane County that is not located near thriving communities, let people *choose* to live within a mile of a dump. This will eventually turn tax-generating neighborhoods surrounding this new dump into homes that fall into disrepair because who wants to put money into a home you're already not going to make back when you sell?

This was a few unelected people in a room deciding one location for this dump- and never looking at any other sites. There should have been several options explored and presented to the public or at the very least, you, our elected officials for input. The backroom decision-making needs to stop. Let's shine some light on this process.

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