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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,

I am a current resident and property owner in the Prairie Place subdivision in McFarland and have recently been informed about the planned expansion of the Dane County Landfill closer to our neighborhoods. I have read the plans and while I completely understand the need to expand the campus beyond its current capacity, along with the many benefits of this proposed location I am strongly against it being closer to current residences. Not only will this negatively impact current property values, it will greatly impact the future growth of McFarland eastward as developers will be much more reluctant to build property near a landfill. The current plan will further hurt the Yahara Hills golf course as I can't imagine anyone wanting to golf that close to a landfill. Furthermore, the Village of McFarland recently completed design plans for our large new community park located at AB and Siggelkow road - a location that is right next to the proposed landfill location. This park will become underutilized and a waste of taxpayer dollars if a landfill is built across the street.

With the current landfill, there are times when we are unable to go outdoors as the odor is unbearable. Moving the landfill closer will only exacerbate this issue. Even with the reporting tools available now, we still will have days in which we can smell the odor which does not give me confidence that this issue will be resolved with the new campus.

After reviewing the site plans, I am proposing an alternative design. Would it be possible to place the landfill section of the campus along 12/18 versus the current design plan along Cty Hwy AB? This would more closely align to the landfill that is already in place on the northern side of 12/18, thus minimizing the risk for new issues in the future. It would keep the landfill section further away from existing and future property owners. The recycling and sustainable business park could then be located closer to AB and Siggelkow Road.

Ideally, the county would be able to find a more suitable property that is further outside of the population center while still keeping transportation costs in mind. I find it hard to believe that there isn't a happy medium for this.

Thank you for your time in reading this email and please consider the points I have discussed.

Best,

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