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 SB 1036

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DOGMI staff has the expertise and the agency has a mission of protecting public health and safety resulting from land movement from mining, earthquakes and other geologic events. Its role in permitting movement of soil for landfills throughout the state is necessary, particularly as a landfill begins the process of closure and remediation. DOGMI's current responsibility does not overlap with other state or local permitting processes. Removal of DOGMI's permitting responsibility for landfills is necessary to ensure that in the long term closure (perhaps 50 to 100 years) soils used for remediation will not adversely affect landfills or other sites.

SB 1036 is an irresponsible gift to Waste Management particularly at the River Bend Landfill in Yamhill County. That landfill approaches closure and is located near a floodplain. DOGMI's expertise is needed as a plan and process for removal of soil for remediation is submitted.

I urge that SB 1036 be rejected. Why should Oregon remove DOGMI's permitting responsibility for this large out or state company? Do other states allow Waste Management to move tons of soil without government oversight? Reject this giveaway.

I regret that I cannot attend the Hearing today and support all who attend to urge rejection.