Thanks for hearing my views on the resolution opposing Ulster's proposed landfill at the Public Works Committee meeting today. Just wanted to add this thought:

Even zero-waste experts acknowledge that landfilling is a necessary backstop in any waste-management system. But, according to Mike Ewall of <u>Energy Justice Network</u>, "landfills are not as noxious if we do the preceding steps in the waste management hierarchy correctly" — that is, rethink/redesign, reduce, reuse, recycle/compost, and materials recovery.

I highly recommend that, instead of opposing Ulster, you work with them to develop a state-of-the-art regional landfill to manage the residuals that remain following all the previous steps in the hierarchy.

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