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Tim,

My wife and I are residents of Deschutes County in La Pine just off Burgess Road, we have received in the mail a notification of a proposal by Republic Services to begin charging a \$6 monthly fee to collect recyclables twice monthly. I read The Agenda Request & Staff Report letter posted on the County website and it sounds like a mandatory service if approved by the County Commissioners. I vehemently oppose the forced addition of a service I don't want or need. The \$72/year fee represents a tax on those residents who have no need for the service. The proposal by Republic is self serving and I strongly urge the Commissioners to soundly reject it at the upcoming meeting. I currently drop my recycle material off at the La Pine transfer station/recycle center at no charge. Republic Services already charge a high fee for Trash Pick-up and this just compounds the problem of cost.

Stop government overreach and reject Republic's self serving proposal

Sincerely,
W. Michael Stream