Dear Mr. Lannom,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback as part of Midas Gold Idaho's Environmental Impact Statement Scoping Period.

As the Vice Chair of the House Revenue & Taxation Committee I fully understand how projects like the Stibnite Mine boost our economy. Midas Gold plans to invest \$1 billion in the state and will contribute \$86 million in state and local taxes. Further, the company will directly employ 400-500 employees during construction and operations with a payroll expected to exceed \$34 million. These numbers do not even capture the indirect jobs we will see from the project.

The company plans to structure shifts for employees working at the site so they can be based from all across Idaho and not limited to the immediate area. Employees will spend two weeks working at the site and then be able to enjoy two weeks off to spend with their families. I know many families who benefited from this type of arrangement who went to work in the oil fields. The advantage of this project is the employees and incomes get to stay in Idaho.

Thank you for reviewing my comments. For the reasons above as well as so many more, I urge you to accept Midas Gold's carefully researched preferred alternatives and approve the project as it is currently outlined.

Representative Janet Trujillo