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Idaho State Senate

Senator Mary Hagedorn

To Whom it may concern,

Having visited the Stibnite site for many years and recreating around the site, it is common knowledge that the site is only a beautiful place on the surface. The past mining activities have been buried out of sight and, for most, out of mind. The Forest Service, EPA or Interior Department does not have the funding available now or in the foreseeable future to clean-up the site and bring it back to it's previous pristine beauty.

Midas Gold's plan of restoration during it's operations is a win-win opportunity not only for the site itself, but for the American taxpayers. Not only will the site cleanup happen, but it will also create many jobs for that area in Idaho that is in bad need of a place for a great workforce to be able to provide for their families.

This is a wonderful opportunity for a private-public partnership where we all win, I urge you to quickly take advantage of it!

Cheers, Marv Hagedorn Senator, Idaho Dist. 14