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Cc: <u>BessieJo Wagner</u>

Subject: Midas Gold Scoping Letter of Support

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Midas Gold Scoping Support Letter.pdf

Sir/Ma'am,

Please find a letter of support attached from the McCall City Council regarding the comment period for Midas Gold's Stibnite Gold Project.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions/concerns regarding this letter.

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Via electronic mail: comments-intermtn-payette@fs.fed.us

Over the past few years, Midas Gold has established a strong partnership within our community and within Valley County. The City Council has met, over time, with members of Midas Gold Idaho to better understand the company's plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Below are the City's comments on the plan to be included in the current scoping period.

The City of McCall believes that the proposed Stibnite Gold Project will have a positive impact to the economy within the City of McCall and Valley County. Additionally, the City believes that the proposals shown by Midas Gold indicate a strong interest in financing and leading reclamation efforts at the proposed site of operations. These sites have shown degradation over time due to historic mining operations and natural processes which have led to loss of fish passage, potential water dilapidation and excessive erosion. The City of McCall therefore supports Midas Golds Stibnite Gold Project contingent upon its ability to leave environmental quality of the site in a better condition than was found.

Sincerely,

Jackie Aymon

Mayor, City of McCall