

STATE OF IDAHO OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER BRANDON D WOOLF

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Payette National Forest ATTN: Forest Supervisor Keith Lannom Stibnite Gold EIS 500 N. Mission St. McCall, ID 83638

VIA EMAIL: comments-intermtn-payette@fs.fed.us

Dear Mr. Lannom:

I understand that your agency's review of Midas Gold and the Stibnite Gold Project is open for public comment. To this end I'm writing to express my support for the positive economic impact that properly regulated mining activities bring to the State of Idaho. As a sixth generation Idahoan and statewide elected official, I'm acutely aware of the importance of Idaho's natural resource economy.

Valley County is a special place in Idaho, a treasure, if you will. I believe that Midas Gold recognizes this as well, and has approached the design of their project, from operations to reclamation, with this in mind. Like many Idahoans I deeply appreciate businesses that prioritize the protection of our environment and the safety of our citizens while also creating jobs and fostering economic growth.

Sincerely,

Brandon Woolf

Idaho State Controller

Mr. Lannom,

Attached in PDF format please find Idaho State Controller Brandon Woolf's comments.

Thanks,

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