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Comments on the Stibnite Gold Project

Rerouting of the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River.

The State of Idaho DEQ has listed most of the tributaries of the East fork as water quality impaired, mainly for temperature. By putting the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River underground for short distance the water quality, as far as temperature should be improved.

Silt in the rivers and creeks.

By planting of trees Midas should be taking a step in the right direction to reduce total suspended solids in the water ways.

Mercury

Mercury is almost always found along with gold. Mercury is toxic in the part per trillion range. I believe that Midas Gold should have to install the very latest technology in mercury vapor recovery. They should also be required to test for mercury vapor being emitted from their waste dumps on a hot sunny day and mitigate the problem if one is found. The State of Nevada does not require such testing and the result has been mercury being blown by the wind into Idaho.

Burnt Log Creek Road

By using Burnt Log Creek Road instead of Johnson Creek Road Midas Gold is taking a big step in reducing pollution in the event of an accident involving trucks carrying the chemicals that the mine will need. As a side benefit improving that road will be a big benefit to the general public.