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Forest Supervisor, Keith Lannom:

As a resident of Yellow Pine, Idaho and avid in outdoor recreation, I must comment on Midas Gold Idaho, plans on closing Stibnite Road above Yellow Pine. Stopping access to Monumental Summit and beyond from Yellow Pine.

The proposal of this closure will negatively affect the Yellow Pine Community in many ways to include loss of revenue to the local businesses, lack of ability to take the established route used by many folks to include the elderly and disabled to enjoy our recreational areas. Many of us moved and retired in the area due to the ability to enjoy the freedom to enjoy our public lands.

Midas Gold's proposal to put a gate up at Sugar Creek and Stibnite Road and divert all traffic through Burnt Log Road with their large trucks is a horrible and a one-sided proposal and should be altered.

As a counter proposal, have Midas Gold Idaho place "**<u>Temporary</u>**" roads through the mine allowing citizen access to the east that they have always enjoyed. All would benefit from something so simple.

I do agree with the proposal for the use of Burnt Log Road for the mining operation and creating the Riordan Road power line road for UTV use as well.

Please, don't force us all to use Burnt Log Road to access what we've been accessing for years. Sharing the road with very large trucks on dirt roads is flat-out dangerous!

Sincerely,

Jeff Forster

