

To Concerned Payette National Forest Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment during the Draft EIS period for the Stibnite Gold Project.

I worked with Midas Gold in 2011 and 2012 during their drilling for exploration and the care that they took to make sure that their was no environmental impact was impressive. If there was any questions that any little thing, a drop of grease could get on the ground, we diapered the drill rig. Midas will be a good fit for our region and bring lots of jobs to those that live here.

The Stibnite Gold Project will generate significant federal, state and local taxes over the life of the project. Estimate show the company will contribute \$86 million in state taxes over two decades. The economic benefits tied in with the environmental restoration of the site provide a win-win for the citizens who live in the surrounding communities, the state and the general population.

I urge you to accept Midas Gold's plan as outlined under alternative 2 and continue moving this project forward. The additional 15 day extension to the comment period was nice, but 45 days is sufficient because we have all had 4 years to review their plan.

Respectfully,

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