

Attention Ms. Jackson,

I am proud to welcome Midas Gold Idaho into our state and proud to support the Stibnite Gold Project. I hope you will take the time to consider my comments on why you should move to permit the project.

I have reviewed the Plan of Restoration and Operations and I believe the Stibnite Gold Project is an opportunity to repair the environment and bring an economic boost to the community. As proposed in Alternative 2, the project finances environmental reclamation and provides the workforce and resources necessary to complete it. If Midas Gold isn't allowed to move forward with its plan, this area in Idaho's backcountry will continue to suffer. Currently, salmon are being blocked from their native spawning grounds and hundreds of tons of sediment are pouring into the watershed each year. It is time to address these issues and Midas Gold has the right plan to do it. As someone who cares about the environment, I find Alternative 5 unacceptable. This option would allow the site to continue to suffer unnecessarily. I am also concerned that Alternative 1 and 3 increase the disturbance areas associated with the project. Alternative 4 also seems like a bad idea because it would use Johnson Creek Road and Stibnite Road to get to site. These roads would place operations traffic close to waterways that are important to fish.

It is with this knowledge that I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to select the modified plan of restoration and operations Midas Gold Idaho presented and permit the project.

Thanks Again,

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