Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor U.S. Forest Service, Payette National Forest 500 North Mission Street McCall, ID 83638

Dear Ms. Linda Jackson,

Please accept my support for the Stibnite Gold Project proposed by Midas Gold Idaho. Midas Gold's plan will rewrite the legacy of Idaho's mining industry and should be given a chance to help our economy and our environment. The historical Stibnite mine site will likely never be cleaned up unless industry takes responsibility for those who came before them.

After reviewing the agency's draft Environmental Impact Statement (draft EIS) I believe Alternative 2 is a sustainable and responsible path forward for the project. Thank you for providing the community with the virtual resources to review their plans.

It is important to highlight that outside of Alternatives 1 through 4, important reclamation activities would not be performed and permanent damage to the area and contamination of the water would continue. That is why Alternative 5 isn't an option here. We need solutions and they will provide it.

Alternative 2 is the modified Plan of Restoration and Operations proposed by Midas Gold in 2019. It represents years of study and analysis by the company as well as community feedback and involvement. They basically started the public comment process from the beginning.

I strongly believe that the U.S. Forest Service should approve alternative 2 in Midas Gold's, and am grateful to have my thoughts considered.

Sincerely, Racheltherkak