

Dear Ms. Linda Jackson,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Stibnite Gold Project as it will directly impact me and my access to the backcountry.

Midas Gold has worked hard to ensure the safety of the community during construction and operations of the Stibnite Gold Project. To minimize travel near important waterways, Midas Gold has proposed using Burntlog Road. This allows the company to take advantage of existing Forest Service roads and reduce travel on Johnson Creek and South Fork Road – both of which are heavily used by recreationalists. This plan maximizes safety and ensures all Idahoans have access to our public lands. Alternative 4 is not a viable option because it will put mine traffic on Johnson Creek for life of mine, why would you propose to have sensitive loads of chemicals or fuels along a water way when they have proposed to build a new section of road that would just cross creeks instead of traveling along them?

I encourage the USFS to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward and permit Midas Gold Idaho's project as outlined in alternative 2 in the DEIS.

Thanks for your Consideration,

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