

Attention Linda Jackson,

I am writing to share my thoughts on Midas Gold Idaho's Stibnite Gold project. There are many reasons why I am excited for Midas Gold's project to come to life and I hope through my comments you will understand why.

I am a resident of Council Bluffs for 6 years and love it here. I come from West Virginia where mining is a big deal and I feel your company has a great plan for the growth and prosperity of our community, all the while keeping the environment clean, safe and healthy for all.

Midas Gold Idaho is proposing a great project for Idaho's economy, citizens and environment. When the project goes into production, the company plans to invest \$1 billion in Idaho and provide approximately 1,000 jobs over the course of the mine's life. Midas Gold has made a commitment to look to Idaho first for talent and supplies which will have a major trickle-down effect and positively impact many facets of the state's economy.

Midas Gold Idaho wants to invest \$1 billion in our state, bring more than 1,000 jobs to rural Idaho and still provide access to Idaho's public lands. This is the type of project our state needs. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to pick alternative 2 as the preferred alternative moving forward.

Sincerely,

Lisa Blanton

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