

To Concerned Payette National Forest Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the public permitting process. I know this project will have a positive impact on the environment, communities surrounding the site and Idahoans.

The site is rich in gold deposits but it also has antimony, which was recently deemed a critical by the federal government. Antimony is used as a fire retardant and metal strengthener. It is used in everything from batteries, textiles, cell phones, plastics and cable sheathing. Right now, the U.S. doesn't have a domestic antimony mine. The Stibnite Gold Project could provide one-quarter of the American demand for antimony in the country. This is so important with the current tenuous trade relations in our country.

I urge you to approve the project as outlined by Midas Gold in alternative 2. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit to our community and the local environment.

Thanks for your Consideration,

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