

Dear Ms. Jackson,

I would like to welcome Midas Gold to Idaho and proudly 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.

The Stibnite Gold Project site was left in a mess that desperately needs to be restored! Fish aren't able to swim past the Yellow Pine pit and old tailings leach metals, just to name a few problems. Do we really want to let the area languish for several more decades? I truly believe that Midas Gold is a conscientious mining company dedicated to not only responsibly mining, but repairing damage that was done prior to their arrival.

Our nation, and our state, is blessed with natural resources. People are worried about the effects of mining on the environment, but we have to get raw materials somewhere and it would be better if it is locally sourced where laws that protect the environment and employees are enforced rather than a country where the environment and people don't seem to matter.

Midas Gold Idaho will also bring a lot of good paying jobs to the area. Employment opportunities will increase as well as tax revenue. That's a good thing for our area!

The 60 days allotted and the digital tools provided by the USFS is meaningful and sufficient for public review. Midas Gold wants to restore the rivers, wildlife and habitat near the Stibnite Gold Project site. We should let them. Please permit the Stibnite Gold Project and continue to move this important project forward.

Thanks Again,

Name: Phoebe Smith