

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

Attention Linda Jackson,

Midas Gold Idaho's Stibnite Gold Project presents Idaho, particularly rural Idaho, with a huge economic and environmental opportunity. I am writing to encourage you to permit the project as quickly as possible.

Midas Gold Idaho believes in a local workforce and has promised to hire Idahoans whenever possible. The company will provide employees with training and help our state build a more skilled workforce. These jobs are not entry level positions and the skills are valuable in other industries outside of mining. Midas Gold estimates salaries will be two times higher than the local average in Valley County. This can make a big difference in the life of many families. In reviewing the DEIS, I believe alternative 2 is the most economically feasible and should be the Forest Services' preferred alternative.

The Stibnite Gold Project is the type of project our state needs. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, using alternative 2 as quickly as possible. There is no need to extend the comment period. 60-days is plenty of time to comment and we need the benefits of this project now.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Zach Coffin". The signature is stylized with a large initial "Z" and a long, sweeping underline.

Zach Coffin