

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

Dear Supervisor Jackson,

I am a local Valley County resident. For years, I have seen how leftover mining waste from the Stibnite mining site has harmed our environment. I have been following Midas Gold's work in the area, and I support the Alternative 2 proposal to clean up the site.

Leftover mining waste – or tailings – leach metals into our groundwater and hurt wildlife and our community. Midas has been monitoring the site for the last decade and discovered that there are high levels of arsenic and antimony in the water, beyond what is acceptable for drinking. I think it's important to note that Midas has not contributed to the poor water quality – they have limited their operations to evaluating the water and considering solutions.

Alternative 2 offers valuable solutions. It creates a plan to clean up existing tailings and store future tailings in a state-of-the-art storage facility. I can trust that Midas will safely reprocess and store the tailings because their facility contains several key safety design factors. For example, the facility is designed to prevent against breaches, leaks, or excessive water accumulation.

By cleaning up the tailings, Midas will also improve the water quality in our community for residents and wildlife. Alternative 2 includes a plan to neutralize the metals in tailings before they are stored. This means fewer metals will be leached into our water and air. I trust that Midas' plan will keep our water clean because I know they have spent countless hours researching and designing the best possible solution.

I am ready to see our beautiful outdoors cleaned up with this proposal. I know that Alternative 2 offers a safe and sustainable option for cleaning up the mining site. Midas has gone above and beyond to truly understand the problems facing this site and is offering my community a long-term solution that cleans up past mistakes and prevents against future issues. Thank you.

All the Best,



Tamara Perrault