

Payette National Forest Supervisor,

Midas Gold Idaho and the Stibnite Gold Project have done a tremendous job at addressing historical damage that has been done at this site and when constructed, the project will comply with all current environmental permitting. It is a terrific thing when a company steps forward and not only does what they "have to do", but also takes care of the problems created by previous generations.

I am writing to express my full support of Midas Gold Idaho and the Stibnite Gold Project. Midas Gold has shown its commitment to Valley County and the state of Idaho.

I have worked my entire career in the mining industry. It is fair to say that everything either has to be grown or mined. This project will address a critical need for the United States by producing antimony domestically. Our modern way of life depends on critical minerals; however, many are sourced from overseas. Yes, we do live in a world that depends on imports and exports; however, for critical minerals, the United States should have domestic sources so we are not reliant on others.

I encourage the USFS to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward and permit Midas Gold Idaho's project as outlined in their Modified Plan of Restoration and Operations, alternative 2 in the DEIS. The USFS has provided meaningful time to submit comments and already extended the comment period once, there should be no further delays.

Regards,

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