

DEAR MS 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 soon as possible.

The idea that reclamation of the legacy disturbance can run concurrent with the mining operations is an excellent one. The environmental reclamation needs to occur to restore fisheries and the Salmon River ecosystem. The EPA and other government agencies cannot make this happen in a timely and fiscally efficient manner, so having the mining company do so while extracting minerals important to our nation is a significant plus.

I strongly support permitting alternative 2 of the Stibnite Gold Project. This project is good thing for Idaho, good for the nation, and good for the environment. These benefits cannot wait. Sixty days is long enough for the comment period.

Respectfully,

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