

Linda Jackson,

I have reviewed Alternative 2 and met with members of Midas Gold Idaho to better understand the company's plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Below are my comments on the plan to be included in the comment period.

Midas Gold is very aware of the water quality concerns at the site and has been sampling it for years. They've found very high arsenic and antimony levels in certain areas, in some cases 700 times worse than what is considered safe. To address these issues, the company will remove legacy tailings and other waste that cause this issue. Overall, Alternative 2 seems to cover every risk factor possible; it improves upon the company's original 2016 plan, which they adjusted following feedback, and it is superior to Alternatives 3 and 4, which have more safety concerns and could cause delays. And of course, it is better than Alternative 5, which is to do nothing; we cannot afford that approach after all these years.

Furthermore, while some of the Stibnite Gold Project will take place on public lands, Midas Gold has made a commitment to the community to ensure access is preserved to people's favorite places. The company has promised to provide parking for winter recreationalists at their maintenance facility and submitted an additional plan to the U.S. Forest Service to allow Idahoans to continue to use Stibnite Road throughout the life of the project when it is safe.

For the above reasons and many more, please move forward with Alternative 2 of the Stibnite Gold Project as it is important to all Idahoans. The comment period provides plenty of time to read the DEIS and submit comments.

Respectfully,

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