

Dear Payette National Forest Supervisor,

While I could have accepted the boiler plate support letter for the Stibnite Gold project, I felt it would be best to simplify and personalize my support. Idaho, and our country as a whole, needs more responsible mining. A NIMBY approach to every project, as anti-mining supporters exclaim, is irresponsible in that it exacerbates our reliance on outside sources for critical minerals. Moreover, it exports environmental responsibility to other countries where environmental protections are limited. And lastly, at a point in time where the economy is struggling, we need those jobs that mining brings.

The arguments in favor of the Stibnite project are clear. Additional comment periods aren't necessary and the folks at Midas are no different than any other Idahoan in that they enjoy the recreational activities the beautiful wild affords them. They want to be environmentally responsible and they want to provide the community continued access.

Yours,

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