

Dear Payette National Forest Supervisor,

If Midas Gold Idaho is allowed to move forward with the Stibnite Gold Project, they will reclaim an area impacted by historical mining, create hundreds of well-paying jobs and provide a huge boost to our economy in the process. It is a win-win for Valley County. We need to permit the project.

Midas Gold prioritizes working alongside Idahoans. The company has shown a clear interest in understanding and remedying concerns around the project. They have taken the time to work with the community to develop solutions that work for everyone. For example, the company worked closely with residents of Yellow Pine, recreationalists and snowmobilers to figure out how to preserve access to certain roads in the backcountry. The changes the company made are included in alternative 2. The company didn't need to do this but they did because they knew it was the right thing to do. Through their collaboration with stakeholders at all levels, they have come up with a plan that will not only help Idaho's economy but help restore a legacy site. Their plan has considerable community support.

I would like to thank the U.S. Forest Service for providing the opportunity, and sufficient time, to comment on this important project's permitting process. I hope the U.S. Forest Service will realize the benefits this project and permit the Stibnite Gold Project using alternative 2.

Thank You,

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