

Payette National Forest Supervisor,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment during the Draft EIS period for the Stibnite Gold Project.

Midas Gold has worked hard to ensure the safety of the community during construction and operations of the Stibnite Gold Project. To minimize travel near important waterways, Midas Gold has proposed using Burntlog Road. This allows the company to take advantage of existing Forest Service roads and reduce travel on Johnson Creek and South Fork Road - both of which are heavily used by recreationalists. This plan maximizes safety and ensures all Idahoans have access to our public lands.

Idahoans need to see the benefits of the Stibnite Gold Project come to life. The comment period should be kept to 60 days, so the process can continue to move forward. It is with this knowledge that I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to select the modified plan of restoration and operations Midas Gold Idaho presented, known as Alternative 2 in the draft Environmental Impact Statement, and permit the project.

Most Respectfully,

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