

Attention Linda Jackson,

I am writing to express my full support of Midas Gold Idaho and the Stibnite Gold Project.

Mining is the backbone of every modern industry. If it isn't grown it is mined. As we continue to diversify our energy profile minerals will play a vital part. We must as a country try to source our Minerals here where we have the strictest regulations. And it provides well paying careers as well. Lots of our modern technology is sourcing Minerals from countries that have lax environmental laws, exploit child labor and use slave labor.

When we transition to a more "Renewable" energy profile we will be heavily dependent on China as they control most of the Minerals and manufacturing. We will be pouring trillions into their economy instead of ours, while we become even more indebted. We must focus on being leaders and leveraging and engineering new mining technologies.

I know opposition likes to cite past mining mishaps as why not continue mining in the USA. We are all learning and evolving as every industry even mining. Look at the atrocities the medical field committed through the ages and we do not stop learning and improving.

The future will always need mining. We need to be the leaders on safe, friendly and people oriented practices. Once we transition into space as space mining will be a building block out there as well.

Mining allowed me to escape abuse and poverty and open many doors for me and I am forever thankful.

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