

Dear Ms. Linda Jackson,

I am writing in support of the Stibnite Gold Project. Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback as part of the National Environmental Policy Act.

Alternative 2 is the result of many years of study by Midas Gold. The company developed this alternative after submitting their original plans and working with stakeholders, community members and environmental groups to try to determine how it could be improved. The result was a smaller project footprint, reconnecting salmon to their native spawning grounds before mining ever begins and improved water quality. Two of the alternatives, 3 and 4, would delay the project by several years and withhold its benefits from Idahoans unnecessarily. Those same alternatives could also become so expensive it could make the project cost prohibitive. With everything happening in the world, I feel strongly that we need to Stibnite Gold Project to move forward now. It would bring 500 well-paying jobs to rural Idaho, invest a billion in Idaho and help improve community infrastructure.

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. Further extensions of the comment period are unnecessary and will needlessly delay the project.

Most Respectfully,

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