

Dear US National Forest Service Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the U.S. Forest Service's permitting process. This is an important project for Valley County and will have a significant impact on the community. As someone who explores, plays and cares about this region of Idaho's backcountry, I want to make sure the Stibnite Gold Project is done the right way.

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.

The comment period has been extended once already. It should not be delayed further. This only delays Idaho from recognizing the benefits of the project. The current USFS timeline provides plenty of time to review the DEIS and comment. After reviewing the document, I encourage you to permit alternative 2 of the project.

Most Respectfully,

Name: George Schoell