

Forest Service Review Committee,

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

Over the last few years we have been able to observe their actions and have visited the Donnelly site for information on the project. The commitment they have shown to working well with others, , bringing this project to life in the safest manner possible, improving our economy and offering recruitment and training of a local workforce is admirable. Also, proposed alternative two seems to be the most well researched and thought out of the options. For 22 years my husband and I ran an educational facility that trained young adults in trades. To know that Midas will seek trainees from various education institutions in Idaho, gives me confidence. Not everyone needs a bachelor's degree in sociology!

As for being great community role models, Midas Gold prioritizes working alongside Idahoans. 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 brownfield site. Their plan has considerable community support, but many of us have remained silent as the opposition seems more vocal and unwilling to do complete research.

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. The lengthy summary provided on your site provides a chance for lay people like myself to understand. I hope the U.S. Forest Service will realize the benefits this project and permit the Stibnite Gold Project using alternative 2.

Sincere Regards,
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