

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the NEPA Comment Period. I have been closely following Midas Gold/Perpetua Resources' plans since they first came into our state, in large part because some of the proposed project will take place on public land. But even more-so because it will impact Salmon breeding grounds and water quality.

While I appreciate that the applicant thinks it will clean up the water, it will also have impact on the water and the salmon beds. NO ONE understands salmon breeding behavior enough to say they won't have an impact. I don't think the stream bed should be touched. Humans need to leave it alone and let Mother Nature do whatever she does. It is not our place.

Additionally, I think nature has been doing it's own clean up of the past mining. No future mining should be allowed in this area. It is the headwaters of a beautiful, important stream (into river). Few mining operations never have an incident that doesn't end up in the water. This one won't be any exception. Something will happen, at sometime, and the water quality will be ruined. Hopefully this doesn't happen, but highly unlikely.

I appreciate your time in the review process. I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback. For the reasons I stated in my letter above, please do NOT permit the Stibnite Gold Project.

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