

This letter is to express my support of Perpetua's Stibnite Gold Project. America needs this project to be permitted. It would produce our country's only source of antimony, a mineral we need for a secure and sustainable future. I hope after reading my thoughts you will understand why my support for this project is so strong.

Restoring the Stibnite Gold Project site will be an incredible investment. Work clearly needs to be done in the area but it should not be funded through taxpayer dollars. Fortunately, Perpetua Resources wants to make the investment. The company is proposing a mining project and full-scale restoration project. They have plans to reconnect fish with their natural spawning grounds. Perpetua will also improve water quality and temperature. After the comments from the DEIS were analyzed, the company recognized it could do more in those areas. They added wider and taller riparian vegetation plantings around stream channels, as well as including a widened and deepened portion of the East Fork of the South Fork Salmon River Channel in the Yellow Pine pit backfill. The company will also solve sedimentation issues by repairing Blowout Creek.

After reading my letter, I hope you can see why you should permit the Stibnite Gold Project. This project is a good thing for Idaho, helps decrease America's dependence on foreign countries for a critical mineral and cleans up the environment. The company also continued to refine its plan in response to the permitting process, so it has the smallest footprint possible and results in improved water quality conditions on site.

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