

I encourage the USFS to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward asap, and permit the Perpetua Resources project as outlined in the 2021 Modified Mine Plan.

This project presents a huge economic opportunity, and also an environmental opportunity. The company has a clear plan to improve water quality, wetlands and the river which will leave the site better than it currently is.

Legacy issues in the historic Stibnite Mining District have been addressed with plans that reduce the project footprint, improve water quality and keep water temperatures at or below current conditions. This will improve fish habitat, water quality and safely store old mine waste.

Along with restoring the site, the Stibnite Gold Project will produce the only domestically mined supply of antimony. Currently, China is the top producer of this mineral. If the Stibnite Gold Project moves forward, the United States can become less reliant on other countries.

Creating a domestic source of antimony will also result in lower carbon emissions as we will not need to transport the mineral from China and U.S. mining standards are more protective of the environment.

The Stibnite Gold Project has been studied by regulators for the last six years. It's time to let Perpetua get to work.

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