

Public participation is a huge part of the permitting process and I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts on the SDEIS. This project is important to me because it can provide America with a domestically mined source of antimony and restore an abandoned mine site in need of repair.

Perpetua Resources has studied Stibnite for the past 12 years. The company has identified a safe way to mine the site, while minimizing environmental impacts in the Burntlog Route and providing our nation with a source of the critical mineral antimony. Today, there is no mined antimony in the United States and that concerns me. Antimony is crucial to our national security. It is found in every military bullet, uniform and flare. Simply put, we need antimony to keep our troops and country safe. The Stibnite Gold Project would meet 35% of America's antimony demand. Obviously, at this time we are sourcing our Antimony from other Countries and this mine would help bring closer to self-sufficiency, reducing our dependency on Foreign Sources. This is clearly a project we need to move forward.

This Stibnite Gold Project is a huge opportunity for Idaho. Please permit the 2021 Modified Mine Plan and move the project forward so America can reap the positive impacts.

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