

I am writing to share my thoughts on Perpetua Resources' Stibnite Gold project. There are many reasons why I am excited for Perpetua's project to come to life. It would provide America with our only mined supply of antimony, a mineral critical to our national defense and energy sectors. I hope through my comments you will understand why I want to see this project move forward.

The permitting process has made the Stibnite Gold Project better. Perpetua Resources has listened to input from the public and regulators and found ways to reduce its project footprint, improve fish habitat and eliminate the need for long-term water treatment. Reviewing the Burntlog Road option in the SDEIS, it is clear to me the company plans to mine the area responsibly and minimize its environmental impacts. I hope the USFS will move this improved plan forward.

Thank you for reviewing my comments. Again, after the USFS has lead a rigorous review process, I urge you to permit Perpetua Resources' carefully thought out plan as outlined under the 2021 Modified Mine Plan.

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