

I am writing to express my full support of Perpetua Resources and the Stibnite Gold Project. The project would finally address legacy mining issues that have been plaguing the site for decades and help secure the minerals we need for America's future. The company has shown its commitment to Valley County and the state of Idaho and I encourage you to adopt the proposed activities outlined in the company's 2021 Modified Mine Plan during the permitting process.

America's armed forces depend on antimony and, today, we have no domestic supply. This means we are putting our faith in China and Russia to keep our troops safe. This seems incredibly risky given all that is happening in the world. The Stibnite Gold Project, utilizing the Burntlog Route, presents us with an opportunity to secure our national security future and restore an abandoned mine site. We cannot let this chance pass us by.

Reviewing Perpetua Resources' improved plans it is clear to me the company really believes in taking care of the environment and keeping the community safe. That is why they reduced water temperatures, improved water quality and shrunk the project footprint by 13 percent. I urge you to trust in your own review process and permit the Stibnite Gold Project.

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