

I am writing in support of the Stibnite Gold Project and the benefits it will bring to Idaho. This project has the potential to put hundreds of Idahoans to work, bring a \$1 billion investment into our state and restore an area of Idaho's backcountry desperately in need of repair. Today, fish cannot swim past the Yellow Pine pit and heavy metals are leaching into the ground and surface water. The Stibnite Gold Project can leave the conditions better than they are today.

Last summer, Perpetua agreed to provide antimony to largescale battery maker Ambri. The agreement establishes a foundation to help facilitate the decarbonization of energy grids in the U.S. as well as around the globe. Ambri's batteries could fundamentally change how our energy system operates by making it possible for power grids to rely on more power from the wind and sun. The Stibnite Gold Project is key to making this happen because it would be America's only mined source of antimony. Without it, we will continue to have to rely on China and Russia for this critical mineral. I want to support America's clean energy transition and supporting the Stibnite Gold Project using Burntlog Road is one of the best ways I can do that.

I urge you to approve Perpetua Resources' project. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit to our community and the local environment and the company has taken the time to reduce its footprint and improve water quality at site. The permitting process is designed to move the best plans forward and I feel that is what we will do with the 2021 Modified Mine Plan.

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