

To Whom it may Concern at the USFS,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of Perpetua Resources' Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement. I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts once again, especially because the Stibnite Gold Project will leave conditions at the site better than they are today.

This is so much more than a Gold mining operation. I have closely followed Perpetua Resources' agreement with Ambri. The Stibnite Gold Project will enable the production of batteries with over 13 Gigawatt hours of clean energy storage. This could power a small city. With no current domestic source of antimony, the Stibnite Gold Project is not an opportunity we can let pass us by. I have reviewed the company's improved plans using the Burntlog Route and I believe they've outlined a path to protect the environment and minimize impacts.

The supplemental impact statement reduces the size of the original project footprint, improves water quality, eliminates the need for long-term water treatment and makes sure water temperature on site does not exceed baseline conditions – all while providing our nation with access to a mineral we desperately need. The permitting process has been thorough and complete. Now, I hope the U.S. Forest Service will realize the benefits of this project and permit the Stibnite Gold Project using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan. The Stibnite Gold project should be allowed to proceed.

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