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U.S. Forest Service, Payette National Forest
Attn: Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor
500 North Mission Street, Building 2
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RE: Support Perpetua Resources Preferred Alternative

Ms. Jackson,

I am committed to advancing the prosperity and potential of our state and promoting creative solutions to its most pressing problems as the state representative for Idaho's Legislative District 5. An innovative and substantial plan, the Perpetua Resources Stibnite Gold Project would revitalize Idaho's economy and communities while employing eco-friendly procedures. Because of these factors and after carefully reading the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) by the U.S. Forest Service, I am writing to express my unwavering support for the Perpetua Resources Stibnite Project.

The planned \$1 billion investment and ensuing millions in local and state taxes from Perpetua Resources are the best examples of their dedication to boosting our state's economy. Additionally, during construction and operation, the company will directly employ 500–1,000 people, with a projected annual payroll of over \$34 million.

Additionally, Perpetua Resources has pledged to employ locals, which means they will promote training opportunities for Idahoans all throughout the project's lifespan by collaborating with local educational institutions, community colleges, and the Idaho Department of Labor. Not just District 5, but all Idaho communities, require this kind of investment.

I appreciate the U.S. Forest Service's in-depth analysis in the SDEIS it recently published. But after giving it some thought, I want to urge the U.S. Forest Service to use the Preferred Alternative Perpetua Resources offered in their 2021 Modified Mine Plan, which uses the Burntlog Route.

Warm regards,

Rep. Tony Wisniewski

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