



Idaho House of Representatives

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U.S. Forest Service, Payette National Forest
Attn: Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor
500 North Mission Street
McCall, ID 83638

RE: Approval of Stibnite Gold Project

Ms. Jackson,

As the new Representative for District 12 in the Idaho State Legislature, it's my intention to make a meaningful difference for my constituents. Perpetua Resources is trying to do just that with the Stibnite Gold Project. Not only does it pose a number of economic benefits, but it would allow Idaho to bolster our national defense system.

Allowing Perpetua to mine gold and antimony, a critical resource, would result in:

- A \$1 billion investment in the state of Idaho, along with 500-600 jobs in the Valley County area. This financial investment shows Perpetua's commitment to community, which is coupled with its numerous efforts to revitalize an area left in poor condition by previous operators.
- Reduced reliance on the import of antimony, which is used to manufacture US military ammunition. As an Idaho National Guardsman, this is imperative, as Russia, China, and Tajikistan currently control 90% of the global antimony supply.

It's beyond time for this project to be approved. Perpetua has been investing in this project for more than a decade, and the details included in the Supplemental Draft EIS for Stibnite Gold show this project is ready for approval. Therefore, I strongly urge the U.S. Forest Service to move this project along in the permitting process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jaron Crane".

Rep. Jaron Crane
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