

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, Building 2 McCall, ID 83638

ATTN: Approval of Perpetua Resources' Stibnite Gold Project

Dear Ms. Jackson,

After a review of Perpetua Resources Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement for their plans for the Stibnite Gold Project, I am writing you to express my support for the modified mine plan as the preferred alternative. Perpetua has put a lot of time and money into permitting this important project. The company has included key stakeholders and organizations. In fact, they have hosted over 1,000 discussions and presentations with members of the public and stakeholders. The input received and the scientific analysis required in the permitting process has improved the project.

The Great State of Idaho is known for its natural beauty and good spirited people that make it a wonderful place to live and work. But to keep Idahoans in Idaho, we need a competitive job market that is able and willing to host a skilled workforce. I value a company like Perpetua Resources that will help boost Idaho's overall revenue while offering our local communities high-earning jobs. The project is estimated to have between 500-600 direct jobs with annual expenditures estimated at roughly \$230 million. Further it will cost roughly \$1 billion to construct. These contributions greatly benefit the state budget so we can continue to build for the future.

Due to their commitment to working with and for the state of Idaho and its people, I urge the U.S. Forest Service to quickly move forward with the Stibnite Gold Project.

Sincerely,

Jordan Redman