

I have reviewed Perpetua Resources' plans and met with members of their team to better understand the Stibnite Gold Project. I am impressed with the company's commitment to use modern mining to leave the area better than they found it, while providing our nation with the minerals we need. Below are my comments on the plan to be included in the project record.

Everyone who cares about Idaho's fish populations should take notice of some of regulators' conclusions in the SDEIS. Importantly, the SDEIS states by providing volitional passage for fish, Perpetua will have a beneficial impact on fish populations within the vicinity of the mine. Right now, the abandoned Yellow Pine Pit currently blocks fish access to the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River. Fish will continue to be blocked from high quality habitat unless we let Perpetua Resources move forward with its plan. We should allow Perpetua Resources to mine at Stibnite, so we can help fish, secure American supply chains and provide family-wage jobs to Idahoans.

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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