

Public participation is a huge part of the permitting process and I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts on the SDEIS. This project is important to me because it can provide America with a domestically mined source of antimony and restore an abandoned mine site in need of repair.

There are many reasons to support Perpetua Resources improved mine plan. However, this lined in the SDEIS stood out to me: "The restoration activities, particularly providing volitional passage in the East Fork SFSR, would result in a major, permanent, regional, and beneficial effect on Chinook salmon, steelhead, bull trout, and westslope cutthroat trout within the vicinity of mine." Reviewing the SDEIS makes me confident Perpetua can make it good on its promise and show all of us how mining and the environment can work hand in hand.

It is with this knowledge that I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to select the 2021 Modified Mine Plan Perpetua Resources presented and permit the project.

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