

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the SDEIS for the Stibnite Gold Project. This project is important for Idaho's future and our nation's future. Perpetua Resources has a plan to leave the site better than they found it and produce antimony, a mineral we need for our national defense and clean energy future.

In order for Perpetua Resources' Stibnite Gold Project to move forward, the company must mitigate for any impacts the project will have on the environment. In the 2021 Modern Mining Plan of the SDEIS, the company has outlined how it can leave water quality on the site better than it is today and provide fish with access to more habitat. I was pleased to learn Perpetua Resources has also taken steps to protect air quality. According to analysis in the SDEIS hazardous air pollutants were found to be well below major thresholds and the Operations Area Boundary would not exceed the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. To me, these facts from the SDEIS demonstrate the proper checks and balances are in place to protect the environment.

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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