

## **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

RE: Support Perpetua Resources 2021 MMP

Ms. Linda Jackson,

I would like to express my support of the Stibnite Gold Project's Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) being reviewed. After 12 years of research, consultation with the community, and project development, I think it's time for the USFS to advance Stibnite's approval.

Perpetua's 2021 Modified Mine Plan (MMP) was identified as the Preferred Alternative in the SDEIS. The Preferred Alternative supports Perpetua Resources' plan to access the site via the Burntlog Route. This new route into Stibnite is safer because it reduces risk of avalanches and slide paths, avoids major waterways, and minimizes interaction with residential and recreational travel.

The results from Perpetua's 2021 MMP would:

- Improve water quality.
- Eliminate the need for a permanent water treatment.
- Improved water temperature.
- Transportation route safest for the community and the environment.

I strongly urge you to select Perpetua Resources 2021 Modified Mine plan proposed in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and allow the Stibnite Gold Project to begin in the Gem State's best interests.

Thank you for your consideration,

Rep. Joe Alfieri

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