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Dear Ms. Jackson:

I am writing on behalf of the many members of Save the South Fork Salmon to formally request an extension of the time for public comment on the Stibnite Gold Project Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement from the current 75 days to 120 days.

Save the South Fork Salmon is a local non-profit that has been involved heavily in the review of the Stibnite Gold Project for many years. We are currently not only researching and writing comments with a coalition of other environmental groups but we are reaching out to our many local supporters to give them the help they have requested to meaningfully participate in the public process. All of this is made much more difficult because of the Holidays and the many families coming back to the Valley for Christmas and our deep needs for connection and celebration with our loved ones at this time.

The volume of information that needs to be examined as well as the missing information— requested by us and the other environmental groups—that the agency continues to add to the project website has only made our review more time consuming. This fact coupled with the comment period taking place over the holiday period flies in the face of encouraging public participation in developing detailed information for the Forest Service to make a reasonably informed decision.

We respectfully ask that you extend the comment period to 120 days. The mine is a crucial issue for many of us and the impacts will directly affect our lives, our families and the ecosystem and waters we love and depend on. Please consider our request and Merry Christmas. We hope you too will have time to spend with your families.

Sincerely,
Judy Anderson
For Save the South Fork Salmon