



House of Representatives State of Idaho

November 30, 2022

U.S. Forest Service, Payette National Forest
Attn: Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor
500 North Mission Street, Building 2
McCall, ID 83638

RE: Approve the Perpetua Resources 2021 MMP

Dear Ms. Jackson and Staff,

As a member of the Gem State's 6th District, I am heavily invested in opportunities that will benefit our state and its future. That is why I am writing to express my support for Perpetua Resources Idaho's Stibnite Gold Project. This project has the potential to improve the lives of hundreds of Idahoans while also benefiting our state's economy.

In my travels through District 6 and down Idaho's back roads, I have witnessed firsthand the effects of decades of mining activity. We cannot afford to pass up the opportunity presented by Perpetua Resources' modified mine plan to clean up these legacies and bring modern mining to brownfield settings.

The commitment of Perpetua Resources to the growth of our state economy is best demonstrated by their planned \$1 billion investment and subsequent contributions of millions in state and local taxes. Furthermore, the company will directly employ 500-1,000 people during construction and operations, with an expected annual payroll of more than \$34 million.

These figures do not begin to capture the project's indirect economic impacts. Property taxes alone will generate an estimated \$300,000 in annual revenue for schools, state law enforcement, and local governments. We cannot afford to miss out on this chance to grow and strengthen our communities.

With this in mind, I urge the US Forest Service to adopt the Burntlog Route Alternative, which was presented to you by Perpetua Resources Idaho and is included in the supplemental draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS). Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

In Service to Idaho,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori McCann".

Lori McCann, Representative
Idaho House of Representatives, District 6A