

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.

I support the preferred alternative because it will help minimize the impacts of mine traffic and reduce the risk of accidents and spills. According to the SDEIS, less than 10 miles of the Burntlog Route is within a half mile of a waterway compared to 27 miles on Johnson Creek. The Johnson Creek Route would put our community and fish at greater risk if there was ever an accident or spill while Perpetua was traveling to site. I want to keep traffic as far away from rivers, streams and creeks as possible.

The Stibnite Gold Project is the type of project our state needs. It has been in regulatory review for the past six years. During this time, public comments and scientific analysis has helped to improve the plan. But now it is time to move it forward. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan presented by Perpetua Resources in the SDEIS, as expeditiously as possible.

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