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Linda Jackson, Forest Supervisor
Stibnite Gold Project
Payette National Forest
500 North Mission Street Building 2
McCall ID 83538

Via electronic submission

Re: Stibnite Gold Project; Comment supporting SDEIS Agency Preferred Alternative

Dear Ms. Jackson:

I support the SDEIS identification of Perpetua's Modified Mine Plan (December 2020) as the Preferred Alternative. The Preferred Alternative should be adopted in the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Final Record of Decision. I also support selection of the Burntlog Route compared to using existing roads.

The MMP is the culmination of six years of exhaustive study since Perpetua submitted its initial plan of restoration and operations in 2016. The MMP reflects adjustments to reduce the project footprint, improve water quality and lower water temperature.

As a result of these refinements, and the many years of study that preceded them, final adoption of the Preferred Alternative would be fully consistent with the USFS mission of sustaining the "health, diversity and productivity of the Nation's forests for the needs of present and future generations." (FS1124a, January 2019).

I am a fifth generation Idaho native. For many years our family has enjoyed many days camping and recreating in the central Idaho mountains. I would not support a project if I thought it posed an undue risk to this treasured resource.

Sincerely,



Dean J. Miller