

The proposed mine location has been mined for nearly 150 years. Nearly all of that mining activity was done with minimal environmental oversight (if any at all). The formation of the EPA in the early 1970's changed that. As the "pre EPA" mining activity finished up (in the late 80's?) the site was a mess. A "superfund" mess to be precise. Government funded clean-up in the area is lowest priority, as it is not a direct threat to health and safety (too remote). In my opinion, the only way this site will ever be cleaned up is if someone makes some profit doing it. Allowing Perpetua to process the tailings and do other mining work is an incredible win/win for the state of Idaho. Jobs will be created and ultimately the site will be reclaimed. Mining laws and environmental regulations are now in place. I look forward to the positive long term change of the site, rather than the environmental time-bomb that currently exists.

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