

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the NEPA Comment Period. I have been closely following Perpetua Resources' plans since they first came into our state, in large part because some of the proposed project will take place on public land. The more I have learned about the project, the more excited I am about the possibilities. The Stibnite Gold Project could help us restore an abandoned mine site.

I support the Stibnite Gold Project. It presents the best opportunity to give this area of Idaho's backcountry the environmental attention it needs, while also securing a domestic source of the critical mineral antimony. Water quality at Stibnite has been negatively impacted by legacy mining activity for years. There are elevated levels of arsenic and antimony. Fortunately, the SDEIS concluded surface water concentrations of these elements downstream of the site would be reduced during mining and post-closure due to water treatment. Water quality at Stibnite will not improve unless Perpetua Resources is allowed to move forward with its plan.

Perpetua Resources wants to restore the rivers, wildlife and habitat near the Stibnite Gold Project site. We should let them, especially considering the permitting process has worked and helped the company identify how to improve water quality and temperature in the SDEIS. Please permit the Stibnite Gold Project and continue to move this important project forward.

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