

Ms. Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor  
Stibnite Gold Project  
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Attn: Linda Jackson


Dear Ms. Jackson,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Over the last several years, I've had the opportunity to hear a handful of presentations on the project, sit down with members of Perpetua Resources and observe how the company has lived out its mission as it has grown. I also appreciate the statement that this project fits within both Valley and Adams County Comprehensive Plans - *"Both the Valley County and Adams County comprehensive plans reaffirm the importance of natural resources to their communities' economies (Adams County 2006; Valley County 2018a). The Valley County Comprehensive Plan includes goals and objectives pertinent to the SGP to ensure mining remains a viable element in Valley County's economy; to ensure new industrial activities consider long-term impacts and benefits on the local economy and environment; and, to maintain the role of the timber industry, tourism, outdoor recreation, mining, and agriculture in the local economy. Relevant goals under the Adams County Comprehensive Plan for the SGP include to provide an economically viable environment that builds and maintains a diverse base of business."* (3-2) . It is with this knowledge that I encourage you to move the project forward.

Thanks to Perpetua Resources' agreement with Ambri, the Stibnite Gold Project will enable the production of batteries with over 13 Gigawatt hours of clean energy storage. That is more than 8x the total additions to the entire U.S. energy storage market in 2020. With no current domestic source of antimony, the Stibnite Gold Project is not an opportunity we can let pass us by. I have reviewed the company's improved plans using the Burntlog Route and I believe they've outlined a path to protect the environment and minimize impacts. The Stibnite Gold Project should be allowed to move forward.

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward, especially now with the further improvements to water quality conditions on site. This is just one example of how the permitting process has worked to improve the plan.

Best wishes,

  
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