I have reviewed Perpetua Resources' plans and met with members of their team to better understand the Stibnite Gold Project. I am impressed with the company's commitment to use modern mining to leave the area better than they found it, while providing our nation with the minerals we need. Below are my comments on the plan to be included in the project record.

I agree with regulators and feel strongly that the preferred alternative is the best option for the Stibnite Gold Project moving forward. This option utilizes Burntlog Road. According to the SDEIS, this route would avoid environmental and safety risks associated with the avalanche and landslide prone Johnson Creek Road. We need the minerals from Stibnite and Burntlog will allow mining to move forward while minimizing the impacts of mining on the community. Burntlog will reduce mine traffic interactions with the public and decrease the potential for spills near fish-bearing streams.

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.

**Erick Cheshire**