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## Ms. Linda Jackson

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of Perpetua Resources' Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Public participation is a huge part of the permitting process and I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts, especially because the Stibnite Gold Project will leave conditions at the site better than they are today.

I have reviewed the 2021 Modified Mine Plan and I believe the Stibnite Gold Project is an opportunity to repair the environment and bring an economic boost to the community. "The potential for other adverse impacts to the local area's economy would be <u>relatively limited</u>. This is due to both the limited extent and remote location of SGP's expected resource impacts. In addition, recreational opportunities would be available elsewhere in the analysis area for recreationists displaced by SGP's activities. As a result, <u>these other SGP-related impacts generally would not result in future visitation changes or other impacts to the local area's overall economy but could affect specific outfitters' access to the SGP area."</u> (ES-29).

The plans proposed by the company allows the project to finance environmental reclamation and provide the workforce and resources necessary to complete it. If Perpetua Resources isn't allowed to move forward with its plan, this area in Idaho's backcountry will continue to suffer. Currently, salmon are being blocked from their native spawning grounds and hundreds of tons of sediment are pouring into the watershed each year. It is beyond time to address these issues and Perpetua has the right plan to do it. The company made its plans even better after the release of the DEIS. In the 2021 Modified Mine Plan the company reduced the project footprint by 13 percent (compared to the original design), cut back on mined material by 10 percent and eliminated the need for long-term water treatment. In reviewing the document, I think the company is taking the steps needed to protect the area and mine the area safely using the Burntlog Route.

Thank you for the thorough review of the Stibnite Gold Project. After analyzing the project for the past six years, I urge you to now move forward and permit the mine using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan so Perpetua Resources can put Americans back to work.

Warmly,

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