

I am writing to voice my support for the Stibnite Gold Project.

This project will produce high-quality year-round employment for hundreds of Idahoans, and resources of gold and antimony that our economy needs to keep growing. It has been planned to improve the existing environmental conditions and minimize future disturbance to local hydrology and landscapes.

Many today believe the only use for our forests are for the benefit of wildlife and recreationist, but I believe it is the responsibility of the USFS to provide economic opportunity for our people and important resources for our society while maintaining the environmental and recreational qualities of the forests. I believe this project meets all of those goals.

The Stibnite Gold Project is the type of project our state needs. It has been in regulatory review for the past six years. During this time, public comments and scientific analysis has helped to improve the plan. But now it is time to move it forward. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan presented by Perpetua Resources in the SDEIS, as expeditiously as possible.

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