

I have been aware of the Stibnite Gold project and its predecessors since the late 1980s when I heard a talk in Boise about the developments and potential for mining at the old Yellowpine mine. Perpetua's plans for the Stibnite Gold Project present an excellent opportunity to restore the environmental condition left by previous mining campaigns under less severe permitting regulations. The opportunity to remediate a legacy mine site is something that we should not ignore. The critical minerals that could be produced at the Stibnite site are an added benefit. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on their SDEIS.

Perpetua Resources has made continual improvements to its plan, and specifically after the last comment period. The community's feedback has made the Stibnite Gold Project a better plan. Regulators identified Perpetua's plan as their preferred alternative in the SDEIS. Regulators believe Perpetua can safely mine the site and limit its impact on the environment and surrounding communities.

This project is one of the last good ones in the continental US and the only one with significant sources for antimony. Perpetua has eliminated the need for long-term water treatment, improved water temperatures on site and reduced the size of the project. It is my belief that the Stibnite Gold Project should move forward.

I urge you to approve Perpetua Resources' project. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit to our community and the local environment. The company has taken the time to reduce its footprint and improve water quality at site. The permitting process is designed to move the best plans forward and I feel that is what we will do with the 2021 Modified Mine Plan.

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