

DEIS Stibnite Gold Project

Payette National Forest

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McCall, Idaho 83638

Attn: Linda Jackson, Forest Supervisor

Subject: Village of Yellow Pine Comment Letter, Stibnite Gold Project

12/30/2022

The Village of Yellow Pine community has watched and participated in the permitting process for the Stibnite Gold Project. During the years of study and plan development, the Perpetua staff has cooperated with our community by frequently attending town meetings and listening to individuals and the Village Council. These interactions have resulted in acceptable alternatives being incorporated into Alt. 2. Therefore, we support the proposed DEIS as presented.

The increased traffic on Johnson Creek Road is recognized as a serious concern. The plan addresses the impact on property owners adjacent to the road, the in-holders access risk, vehicle shared use, winter maintenance impact, and possible environmental impacts. Winter snowmobile access is of particular concern to the area residents and those that will be impacted by snow removal. Perpetua has recognized that traffic signage, working with recreation groups and providing dust abatement will be needed. We appreciate the continuing dialogue and willingness to address concerns.

The Yellow Pine Village Council feels that the majority of area's property owners and recreational users have had adequate time and access to information in order to understand the possibility of economic and quality-of-life impacts that may occur as a result of the Stibnite Gold Project. The many agencies responsible for monitoring the process are viewed as safe-guards for environmental concerns.

As the community that will be most affected by any detrimental environmental impacts of Perpetua's project, we appreciate the work that governmental agencies, environmental-oriented groups, Tribal Nations, and concerned citizens have provided to ensure that this is an acceptable process.

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