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Comments: I write this to publicly add my support to the proposed Midas Gold mining project proposed at the old stibnite site, and other adjacent locations. I have lived in valley county for nearly 32 years, operated a business here for that entire time, and been as involved as possible in community and civic affairs in that time. I am a member of Valley County Search and Rescue, and serve on the county snowmobile advisory board. I have also been a licensed hunting and white water guide. I tell you all of this because I simply want you to know that as I live here, I am deeply concerned and do what I can to help make this a better place to live, and have a great love for the wilder areas and outdoors.

With that information, I want you to know that I am very much in favor of what Midas gold is proposing to do here. For the first time in the time I have been here, a Company is proposing a truly responsible mining operation, that more than reasonably addresses environmental impacts and concerns. I also respect the way Midas Gold has come to the community with information and education of their proposal, so that the citizens are thoroughly informed as this process moves forward.

I urge you to lay aside all those un informed or partially informed nay sayers that are chronically against everything. They do nothing to add to our community, or even the environment they seem to so vocally protect. The end result of their protests and law suits are simply to disrupt. This project will help our county, communities, and economy for years to come. It will repair some very negligent environment damage, restore a highly exploited area and make it healthy again for generations to come. I believe the only responsible decision would be to allow Midas to move forward, keep them within properly established guidelines, and allow for the proper stewardship of this land.