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Comments: I am very concerned about the inevitable water contamination, habitat destruction and large reclamation bill posed by Midas Golds proposal in the South Fork of the Salmon River drainage.

The possibility of cyanide and other toxic chemicals contaminating the water quality of the East Fork of the South Fork (EFSF) and the South Fork Salmon Rivers and other tributary creeks is of great concern to myself.

I have concerns about compromising the endangered species habitat (bull trout for example) from sediment loading and water way alterations (putting the EFSF into a tube while mining the Glory Hole).

Also, I would like to see extensive plant surveys done of all the disturbance areas within the Stibnite Gold Project, for Bent-Flower MilKuetch (Astragalus Vexilliflexus var. vexill:flesua). Since this plant is a species of conservation concern in Idaho, it needs to be protected. Any proposed mining operation could be determental to the species.

Another concern I have is the Burnt log access Road as it impacts 5 inventoried roadless areas (IRA). As I understand it, at least 1/2 mile of road will be constructed between 2 jeep trails/ATV trails that has not been disturbed previously? This area is adjacent to the wilderness and building a road impacting several headwater streams is a concern.

Thank you for your time and consideration.