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RE: Stibnite Gold Project EIS #50516

Ladies & Gentlemen,

We are writing in support of the proposed Stibnite Mining Project. As longtime visitors (34 years) with a cumulative two years spent in and around McCall we see this project as a truly win-win proposition. We first visited the Stibnite area in the 1980[s] and were fascinated with the remnants and remains of the original mining operations. At the same time, as a Registered Professional Civil Engineer with extensive experience in heavy construction, I was concerned about the conditions left in place and the tremendous amount of money that would be required to restore the site. At the time I could see no way that the needed remediation could be funded in the coming decades, if ever.

We were fortunate to attend one of the site briefings offered by Midas Gold a couple of summers ago which we found to be professionally presented and enlightening. I left with the impression that this was a once in a lifetime chance to correct past mistakes.

Fast forward to 2020. There is now a professional and responsible plan presented by Midas Gold to not only restore the site but to make it a commercially viable operation in the process, creating good jobs and good

commercial activity, all at no expense to the taxpayers. This is a win-win. Please do not let this opportunity pass us by.

Respectfully,

Larry & Kathy Choate