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Comments: Midas Gold Idaho's Stibnite Gold Project presents Idaho, particularly rural Idaho, with a huge economic and environmental opportunity. I am writing to encourage you to permit the project as quickly as possible. I would also encourage the use of Alternate route of Burnt Log road access. This would avoid pollutants from deliveries and avoid traffic issue a good length along Johnson creek. Deliveries of previous miners had been dumped into Johnson Creek. This can all be avoided, it can provide better recreational access along the way and does not interfere with Wilderness ground but makes greater access to it!

The study of the Stibnite Gold Project brought to light the environmental conditions existing at Stibnite because of past operators. Arsenic levels in the EFSFSR are far beyond safe standards. If Alternative 5 is selected, how will USFS address these legacies impacting the waters of Idaho? Who will pay to provide permanent and volitional fish passage? It's a wonderful opportunity to restore a natural fish run that's been lost almost for 80 years now. Restoration of this area will be a recreational and wildlife boom!

I encourage the USFS to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward and permit Midas Gold Idaho's project as outlined in their Modified Plan of Restoration and Operations, alternative 2 in the DEIS.