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Comments: I have reviewed the Plan of Restoration and Operations and met and spoken with members of Midas Gold Idaho to get a better understanding of the Midas Golds plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Please see my comments below on the plan which are to be included in the comment period.

The study of the Stibnite Gold Project over the last 10 years 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?

As the U.S. Forest Service and other state and federal agencies review the proposed plan and determine the course of action, I encourage you to consider and appropriately weigh the positive benefits Midas Gold will have on Idaho and the environment. Midas Gold will use modern mining methods to restore the ecosystem and provide good paying jobs and provide critical minerals which are needed. Alternative Two truly is a win-win opportunity for Idahoans and the environment.