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Comments: I am writing to express my full support of Midas Gold Idaho and the Stibnite Gold Project. Over the past several years Midas Gold has shown its commitment to Valley County and the state of Idaho and I encourage you to permit the proposed activities outlined by Midas Gold in its Plan of Restoration and Operations.

After reading through the alternatives proposed by the USFS, Alt 5 seems unacceptable. If private industry is willing to take on past legacies, what will happen to the environmental legacies at Stibnite if there is no action? What resources will the U.S. Government dedicate to solving the water quality and fish passage problems if Alt 5 is selected? This is a high concern of mine personally. There must be more done to return the salmon migration into every conceivable tributary to its historic range and numbers.

Midas Gold Idaho wants to invest \$1 billion in our state, bring more than 1,000 jobs to rural Idaho and still provide access to Idaho's public lands. This is the type of project our state needs. Rural areas have been all but abandoned by state representatives. We must regain high paying productive jobs in this state of which mining is one. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to pick alternative 2 as the preferred alternative moving forward.