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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of Midas Gold Idaho's Comment Period. I have been closely following Midas Gold Idaho's plans since they first came into our state, in large part because much of the proposed project will take place on public land. The more I have learned about the project, the more excited I am about the possibilities it will bring into our state.

I personally have witnessed the positive transformation in and around Stibnite since Midas Gold has been involved. The Yellowpine, Big Creek, Stibnite, and Thunder Mountain areas are where I spend the majority of my recreational time. I also have worked for Companies that have supplied materials and services in Stibnite. The dedicated to environmental protection has been amazing.

Midas Gold Idaho has prioritized public access to Idaho's backcountry. In order to ensure safety of the community during construction and operations, Midas Gold Idaho plans to use to Burntlog Road. The company feels Stibnite road is too dangerous to safely transport employees and equipment. Burntlog Road was used by miners many years ago who were headed to Thunder Mountain. This historical route minimizes travel by creeks and rivers that are imperative to fish habitat and takes advantage of existing infrastructure.

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. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to pick alternative 2 as the preferred alternative moving forward.