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Comments: I am writing to express my full support of Midas Gold Idaho and the Stibnite Gold Project. Midas Gold has shown they are committed to Idaho and want to take care of the environment. I hope you move forward and permit this project as quickly as possible.

If the Stibnite Gold Project moves forward, it will be the only antimony mine in the America. This important mineral is used as a metal strengthener and fire retardant. It is used in everything from batteries, textiles, cell phones, plastics and cable sheathing. Right now, we important all of our antimony. With all that is currently going on in the world, it is more important than ever that we not rely solely on foreign countries for minerals of such great importance. It is estimated that the Stibnite Gold Project could provide approximately one-quarter of American demand for antimony.

I urge you to approve the project as outlined by Midas Gold in alternative 2. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit to our community and the local environment.

I live close by and can meet with you easily. I was instrumental in creating the Los Padres National Forest Chapter for the California miner's and Forestry agents to come together In monthly meetings to work on solving the many years of fighting and start coming together and work out agreements for solving the problems and misconceptions that had been in the way of solving problems on both sides for years. I have written before, but received no response.