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Comments: I am a long term investor with Midas Gold and have followed the permitting progress for this mine for over two years now. I have reviewed the Alternative 2 and met online with members of Midas Gold Idaho to better understand the company's plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Their intentions are honest and the environmental and economic benefits speak for themselves. Below are my comments on the plan to be included in the comment period.

We know the site is rich in gold deposits but it also has antimony, which was recently deemed a critical mineral by the federal government. America really needs this mineral. Antimony is used as a fire retardant and metal strengthener. It is used in everything from batteries, textiles, cell phones, plastics and cable sheathing. Right now, the U.S. doesn't have a domestic antimony mine. The Stibnite Gold Project could provide one-quarter of the American demand for antimony in the country. This is so important with the current tenuous trade relations in our country.

This project is a huge environmental and economic opportunity for the people of Idaho, particularly in the wake of Covid-19. I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit alternative 2 so this brownfield site can finally be restored. The comment period has been extended once already. Sixty days gives Idahoans enough time to submit their comments and I hope there will be no additional delays.