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Comments: Attention Payette National Forest Supervisor,

I work in the field of mining and I also have family who lives in Idaho. I have diligently read the drafted details of Midas Gold Idaho's plans and I am excited to finally have the opportunity to comment on their Draft EIS. Midas Gold Idaho presents a huge opportunity for the Gem State. The care that was put into considering the economic and social impact is commendable.

As the U.S. Forest Service and other state and federal agencies review the proposed plan and determine the course of action, I respectfully ask you to consider and appropriately weigh the positive benefits Midas Gold will have on Idaho. Alternative 2 truly is a win-win opportunity for Idahoans and the environment. The public has had plenty of time to thoughtfully review the plan and has not expressed much concern or opposition. It is time to move ahead.

This project is a huge opportunity for Idaho. 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.