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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 the state of Idaho 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 the state of Idaho.

After reviewing the DEIS using the tools provided by the U.S. Forest Service, I believe Alternative 2 is the best option moving forward. It limits the project footprint, keeps traffic away from key waterways, improves water quality and is economically feasible. The project would also provide key economic benefits to the region, such as family-wage jobs and a boost to the local tax base, as well as environmental restoration. Midas Gold currently is the only company with a feasible plan to fix the long-standing legacy issues at the site, such as blocked fish passage and degraded water quality. I feel confident Midas Gold will follow through on its promises to restore the site because of federal and state financial assurance laws. The regulations will require Midas Gold to set aside the necessary funds for restoration and reclamation before any mining begins.

Midas Gold Idaho wants to invest \$1 billion into our state of Idaho, bringing more than 1,000 jobs to rural Idaho and still provide access to Idaho's public lands. This is the type of project Idaho needs. And with the coronavirus, we need it now more than ever. The USFS has provided sufficient time to review the document and provide comments. It is time to move forward. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to pick alternative 2 as the preferred alternative for the Stibnite Gold Project.