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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback as part of Midas Gold Idaho's public permitting process. I urge you to adopt Alternative 2 presented in Midas Gold Idaho's proposal.

One of the biggest challenges facing Idaho is having a trained workforce. Midas Gold not only plans to hire hundreds of Idahoans but the company will provide employees with training to build a more skilled workforce in Idaho. I applaud Midas Gold's commitment to helping Idahoans get training that may not otherwise be available and I am proud of my job with Western States CAT and our partnership with Midas Gold. Their commitments today will help benefit Idaho families and allow Idaho to attract new businesses in the future.

Midas Gold Idaho wants to invest \$1 billion in our state and bring more than hundreds of jobs to rural Idaho. It's an opportunity we cannot afford to pass up .

I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, following alternative 2.