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Comments: I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Stibnite Gold Project as it will directly impact me and my future economic opportunities in Idaho.

Midas Gold Idaho is proposing a great project for Idaho1s economy, citizens and environment. When the project goes into production, the company plans to invest \$1 billion in Idaho and provide approximately 1,000 jobs over the course of the mine's life. Midas Gold has made a commitment to look to Idaho first for talent and supplies which will have a major trickled own effect and positively impact many facets of the state's economy. Estimates show annually, the direct, indirect and induced impacts from local job creation are estimated at \$28.8 million annually during construction, \$29.3 million annually during operations and \$5 million annually during final reclamation.

The Stibnite Gold Project is the type of project our state needs. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, using alternative two presented by Midas Gold, as expeditiously as possible. There is no need to extend the comment period. Sixty days is plenty of time to comment and we need the benefits of this project now.