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Comments: Midas Gold Idaho has been a member of local community for the past decade. During this time, the company and its employees have become wonderful champions and supporters of the community. They've volunteered their time in our schools and given generously to community causes. The company's track record of following through on its promises and doing the right thing gives us the confidence to write in support of permitting the Stibnite Gold Project.

The Stibnite Gold Project is a huge opportunity for Idaho and our country as the entirety. While the site is rich in gold deposits it also has deposits of antimony [acirc][euro][ldquo] a mineral designated critical by the U.S. government. In fact, the Stibnite Gold Project is the largest known deposit of antimony in the country. We depend heavily on China for this mineral. Antimony is crucial to the defense and energy industries and is in many items we use on a daily basis, like our cell phones. Permitting the Stibnite Gold Project will allow us to have a domestic resource for this very important mineral.

Thank you for the thorough review of the Stibnite Gold Project. I urge you to now move forward and permit the mine using alternative 2, so Midas Gold can put Americans back to work. At these trying times for our country, the Stibnite Gold Project will provide hundreds of family-wage descent jobs to rural Idahoans, restore the area which is in desperate need of repair and provide America with its only domestic supply of "antimony". This is a mineral critical to our country[rsquo]s national self-defense which is clearly outlined in the recent executive order of the US president. Last but not least If the Midas Gold starts production process it will be more taxes for both local government and the country. This is critical for all our population well being.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.