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Comments: USFS,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback as part of Midas Gold Idaho's public permitting process. I understand that in order for Midas Golds Stibnite Gold project to move forward, the company must meet strict state and federal regulations. This gives me faith in the project and process. In addition to a positive record of decision through the NEPA process, Midas Gold will still need to obtain up to 50 other permits, approvals and conditions ranging from the Clean Water Act to providing financial assurances for restoration. The Forest Service cannot approve the project without ascertaining that all of these approvals are issued and conditions met. I support Midas Golds plans to restore the site, bring hundreds of jobs to rural Idaho and mine gold and antimony as outlined under Alternative 2.

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.