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Comments: Linda Jackson,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment during the Draft EIS period for the Stibnite Gold Project.

I believe the project presents a plan to repair the environment and boost Idaho's economy [acirc][euro][ldquo] particularly under Alternative 2. Historic mining operations, development of former town site and natural processes have resulted in significant degradation of many elements of the environment. Loss of fish passage, potential water degradation from previous mining activity and excessive erosion are all of great concern to our community. The Stibnite Gold Project would finance reclamation efforts to address these problems and in turn boost Idaho's economy. It is a win-win for our community.

I have worked at mines in New Mexico, and Alaska. While working there I became aware of the pollution caused when a deposit erodes out. I also have watched with horror as false information is used to oppose good projects (and when irresponsible parties ignore safe practices. Kinross Gold supported me when I stopped a drilling plan when I became concerned of a serious risk. They reviewed quickly reviewed my reason for halting work and moved on. My experience is that mining companies proceed responsibly and this project shows a well thought plan for responsible development.

Reviewing Midas Gold's plans it is clear to me the company really believes in taking care of the environment and keeping the community safe. I urge you to permit the Stibnite Gold Project using alternative two and keep this project moving forward. The comment period has been extended by 15 days once already, please keep the comment period to 60 days, so we can prevent additional delays.

Sincerely,

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