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Comments: It is with great pleasure that I write to the U.S. Forest Service to encourage you to permit the proposed activities outlined by Midas Gold in Alternative 2 during this public input process.

Midas Gold has made it clear reclamation efforts will start alongside operations. They have worked to find safe access routes to the site that keeps vehicles away from our precious waterways. Plus, the company is trying to minimize their impact on the environment by keeping facilities within the existing footprint of historic mining operations.

Midas Gold Idaho wants to invest \$1 billion in our state, bring more than hundreds of jobs to rural Idaho and still provide access to Idaho's public lands. This is the type of project our state needs. The U.S. Forest Service has provided Idahoans with meaningful tools to easily review the document and ample time to comment. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project following alternative two.