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Comments: Thank you for this opportunity to share my comments.

My purpose in writing is two-fold;

1) To request an additional 45 day extension of the public comment period beyond the original 75 day period.

Given the complexity of the project and it's potentially harmful long-lasting impact, 75 days is not enough time for review and to solicit comments in full.

2) To express my opposition to the Stibnite Gold Project. I am an out-of-state recreational user who enjoys river running, hiking, biking, camping, wildlife viewing and the clear night skies that can be found in many of Idaho's remote areas.

I have been coming to Idaho for nearly 30 years and have had the good fortune to visit the area around Yellow Pine, the small town located near the Stibnite mine. As a kayaker I have paddled the East Fork of the South Fork Salmon, Johnson Creek, South Fork Salmon and the Main Salmon river, all rivers whose waters would be affected negatively by the mine.

Mining, no matter how well a company attempts to mitigate degradation of an affected area's natural qualities, is a destructive process. Air, water, vegetation, fisheries, wildlife, and climate could all be adversely affected far into the future. All for gold, a mineral that is not of critical use to the U.S.

Please don't let this project move forward.