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Comments: I work for Iron Woman Construction & Environmental Services, LLC. I currently am the Vice President of Iron Woman Mining Services, LLC. As you may be aware, we are Native American owned. We are in the business of restoring our land. Our company has been involved with looking at the mining, environmental remediation, stream restoration, and closure work on this site. We have have been closely following Midas Gold Idaho's plans for several years. We are very excited to finally have the opportunity to comment on their Draft EIS. Midas Gold Idaho presents a huge opportunity for the Gem State. I have been in the environmental and mining business for over 30 years. I have worked on one of the largest Superfund Sites here in Denver , Colorado, at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, from 1999 to 2008. I can say without a doubt, that the Midas Gold Stibnite project is very well thought out and is a home run for the community, state, and all environmental, mining, and construction firms. They are doing this right!

If the Stibnite GVP old Project goes into production, Idaho would see a huge economic benefit. Midas Gold plans to invest \$1 billion in the state, contribute \$86 million in state and local taxes and make improvements to roads and power grid near the site. The company has also made a pledge to hire locally whenever possible and plans to provide around 1,000 jobs for Idahoans throughout the life of the project. Midas Gold salaries will be approximately two times higher than the local salary. It is impossible to ignore the positive trickledown effect an investment of this size would have on our community and economy.

The Stibnite Gold Project is the type of project that the state of Idaho needs. This project will be a model or show piece to demonstrate how an environmental clean-up project is properly executed and completed. I highly encourage the U.S. Forest Service to permit this project, using the alternative two presented by Midas Gold, as expeditiously as possible. We fully support the Midas Gold Team.

Please contact me if you have any questions.