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Comments: I am very concerned about the traffic and social impacts of this Project. I realize that the Forest Service is focused on the National Forest, but this Project will have wide-reaching impacts beyond the facilities constructed and operated by Midas Gold. For example, during construction, they estimate that there will be 1000 people working at the mine-site, yet the onsite housing facility will only accommodate 500 people. Where will the rest live? And where will all those people be housed when they are not onsite? Will anyone be willing to build houses in Valley County for these workers, knowing that the construction jobs only last two years? Will they be forced to live in Boise? Will they be driving private cars on Hwy 55 just to get to Cascade? For the long term, will there be money to build bigger schools, to teach the children of the mine workers? And what about the heavy truck traffic that hauls out the antimony concentrate? Where will those trucks go to deliver the concentrate to a smelter? What about the trucks hauling out bars of gold and silver? Where will those trucks go? Who buys gold bars, anyway? There seem to be endless questions about how this Project will affect the town of Cascade. Who is addressing those questions?