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Comments: It appears Midas is being very careful to address environmental issues with their mining plan. However, as a resident of Yellow Pine I will be more directly affected by the Midas plan than anyone else in the State not only as a resident but as the sole proprietor of the Yellow Pine Tavern . I do not like the proposal to close the Stibnite Road. Our community was founded on our close association with the mining site. People come into the Tavern every day very excited about the mine and or the area beyond. It just seems wrong to cut us off from that history and connection. It is going to adversely affect my livelihood here at the Tavern and my state of mind. It will also affect the lives of those folks who want to travel back in time to that area over the same route that has been traveled for these many years. Please do everything you can to take this into consideration and find another plan of action. I don't mean to refuse Midas their operation. I won't gain anything by the presence of Midas I understand they have their own facilities for eating and sleeping and recreation, but I am not interested in them gaining at my expense.

I have three suggestions as how to handle the situation.

Number 1: They could direct traffic through the mine area. The traffic isn't that great and they could limit the hours of traffic.

Number 2: I understand the only feasible detour directly around the site is in a roadless area. I have heard the road they wish to build over the Burnt Log Road also in some areas is roadless. Why could we not have a detour around the site for the life of the project which will be restored when the operation is over.

Number 3: An alternate road could be built up Sugar Creek and through Cinnabar. I understand the owner is agreeable. Midas does have an option to buy Cinnabar they could also purchase the site and build a road around stibnite without having to ever restore the Stibnite Road in that area, just let that be the new route.

Please respond to my suggestions and keep me informed of the progress with the project.