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Comments: To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of the Stibnite Gold Project, henceforth referred to as the SGP, and Midas Gold Corp.

Midas has already invested significantly in the local and state economy with many more economic benefits to come upon commencement of mining. Not only will a mine there create a significant, albeit temporary 10-20 year, economic boom it will also strengthen the USA's strategic minerals portfolio. This is particularly important in the current climate of rising tensions with China, who is practically the sole supplier of antimony to the world.

I lived in Idaho and worked with and for Midas from 2012-2019 and can confidently say the company has the desire and ability to mine the world class Stibnite deposit responsibly. Unfortunately, the site has numerous legacy environmental issues. Nothing in life is free, and the money to correct these issues must come from somewhere. Why have the taxpayers either foot the bill or indefinitely defer addressing these legacy issues when a private entity will have to? It is undeniable that the terrain in the area will be significantly modified upon completed mining and restoration, but both the fish and outdoors enthusiasts will appreciate the new and improved area.

Last but not least worth consideration is the improvement in public safety in the backcountry that the SGP can bring. Midas has already assisted and/or spearheaded multiple rescue efforts of folks in the area. Lasting infrastructure improvements will be required in the Yellow Pine area that will benefit the community long after mining has completed.

I strongly encourage the USFS to do all in its power to continue to propel the SGP forward along the regulatory path to improve the lives of numerous Americans and Idahoans and eventually replace the legacy of Stibnite with newfound wealth and correct environmental remediation.