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Thank you for the opportunity to again share my thoughts on this project! I strongly oppose the Stibnite mining project for many reasons, chief among them being environmental devastation! The mess left behind from previous mining will only be worse; regardless of promises, mining companies always leave a mess! One cannot dig into fragile mountainsides without cutting down trees, exposing raw hillsides to run-off as it rains and winter snows melt! The run-off eventually gets to the streams that feed the creeks that run to the Salmon River, or whatever river catches watershed from the mountains which are mined. Animal life and aquatic life suffers. The air suffers. The tranquility of the mountains suffer. The roads which must be cut through and maintained devastate the area. Blasting and machinery and heavy truck traffic allows for further erosion and noise pollution. Busy traffic make the roads more dangerous.

All in all, the environmental cost is too great to allow this Stibnite Midas Mining project to proceed. My family has vacationed in the Warm Lake area since the late 1930s. I grew up hearing tales of ore trucks rumbling down the mountainsides during the war. After that it continued to be logging trucks, then road widening projects. Always progress, and always noise, diesel fumes, traffic jams, road slips, clear cut logging that ruined the Salmon River! Always promises of "this time it will be better! We will clean up and make it better than it was" After the area is ruined, patchwork repairs just won't cut it!

Please, think it all through. Is the short term gain for another corporation worth the whole cost of the project! Probably not, and especially not when the full impact on the quality of the whole environment is considered!