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Comments: I am contacting you to act in support of the Stibnite Gold Project from Midas Gold Idaho. As an Idahoan, I believe this plan can help our local economy bounce back from job loss amid COVID-19. I understand that the U.S. Forest Service works to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to not only meet the needs of present generations, but of future ones as well. This plan has been created after years of research and investment in the area. With strong knowledge of the history of the region, Midas Gold intends to re-introduce a mining plan to the area that is sustainable and will leave the area better than it once was. Antimony, the rare and critical mineral only found in this area of the U.S., will be stores with care and safety as top priorities. Additionally, aquatic life and water quality will be restored to their former glory once the plan is said and done.

The Stibnite Gold Project will not only benefit the environment, but the people of Idaho as well. During construction, the project would directly employ between 600 to 700 people with annual payroll ranging from \$42 million to 49 million. Local residents w m be prioritized for job selection, allowing the economy a chance to bounce back amid COVID-19, and compensation for this project is above the local average. Midas Gold will support training opportunities for Idahoans throughout the life of its project by working directly with schools, community colleges and the Idaho Department of Labor. In addition to providing hundreds of jobs, millions of dollars in tax revenue will go back into supporting state-funded projects to benefit Idahoans. The opportunity in this project is unmatched with that of any other company in Idaho - I urge you approve Alternative 2 outlined by Midas Gold Idaho.