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Comments: * The phrase, "clean the site", which we've heard over the years, may open the door for larger problems. The approval of a mining operation will create lakes containing cyanide for years to come. This water flows to the ocean impacting everything in its path.

* The usage of semi-trucks will create clouds of exhaust up and down the passage corridors and add to an already heavy traffic flow that continues to get more dangerous and congested due to the increase in population and home ownership in our area. There have been 4 accidents in the past few months involving semi and logging trucks on Hwy 55 north and south of McCall, including a death in Goose Creek Canyon and a truck that went in the North Fork of the Payette at Rainbow Bridge. Over the next 12-15 years, we can foresee that a number of accidents will involve these mining trucks carrying hazardous materials. Due to these foreseen accidents there is also a high risk of contaminating bodies of water and land outside of the immediate impact area of the mine.

* As of recent, many people are relocating to our area because of the quality of life. This mine could bring exponential population growth to our area and this is not what we want for Valley and Adams Counties ... our little piece of heaven.

I don't know if a few comments from people who enjoy the whitewater, fishing and overall beauty of this river and the surrounding lands will make an impact and change the propaganda from this mining giant, but I felt that I had to try before any hazardous accidents occur.