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Comments: I have fished the East Fork of the South Fork and the surrounding area almost annually over a 49 year period, beginning when I was a McCall Hot Shot. I have seen every type of fish that swam in it and every kind of mammal that visited it, including a few that are rarely seen. Though it has been catch and release for a couple decades now, I was stunned to recently learn the water is already toxic. That alone is an obvious existing catastrophe. Should even a modest hiccup in operations occur, the Midas project has the potential to push this watershed beyond any acceptable environmental limits. One can anticipate at least one such hiccup in a project of this complexity, magnitude and location. This project is inappropriate to this special region. I oppose this project and ask you to reject it entirely.