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Comments: To whom it may concern,

As a former Valley County resident and now often visitor to this area , the Midas Gold project is a horror. I am shocked that this project would even be entertained after I have personally witnessed the effects of positive restoration efforts of the past 25 years in this fragile canyon. The pristine nature of the Salmon River drainage is what inspired us to live for a decade in this areas and is what keeps us coming back for tourism and recreation. How many millions of dollars have already been invested in restoring the vital South Fork of the Salmon river ecosystem, only to be erased by the efforts of short sighted mining interests? I am vehemently opposed to any further mining activity which will absolutely negatively impact this SALMON BEARING watershed. By far, for the greatest public good, the most sustainable long term option is to optimize the values of fish, wildlife and recreation. Our public dollars will be cleaning up the waste from the Midas Gold mine for generations to come. To allow this project to continue is irresponsible and negligent Respectfully,

Kirsten Evensen