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To All It May Concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the DEIS for the Proposed Stibnite Gold Project. As this letter pertains to the project and the project area, and in particular points out oversights and omissions, please consider it a substantive "comment letter".

In this letter, I'd like to identify my concerns with the Proposed Stibnite Gold Project; namely environment, recreation, and economy.

The 4 special status fish (p. 3.12.1); DEIS indicates that the Forest Service has preliminarily determined that project will adversely affect the fish (pg. 4.12-87, pg. 4.12-69, 4.12-75, 4.12-93). Mainly mentioned is key loss of habitat. Not sure how the Forest Service can be okay with that, some of these fish are on the Endangered Species Act. Their goals and approach must be revised, in order to address these issues.

There are many other aspects, including recreation, which is what affects me the most. However, I feel like the fish are the biggest ones to lose here. Money in the pockets of Canadians is not necessary in any form.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment and performing a thorough analysis of the entire proposal.

Max Bechdel