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Comments: Hello,

My name is Benjamin Gage and I am a environmental studies graduate and an employee of an organization that frequent the area of the South Fork.

My issue with the Stibnite project is a lack of clear and due process with the environmental impact statement that has been conducted. That is besides the end goal of the project, which has the best case scenario reducing Chinook habitat by up to 20%. Did the Payette Forest reduce logging roads to limit erosion for any purpose other than to help that same habitat thrive? No. Then why allow this? To pick and choose industries is unacceptable, when the results are the same destruction our agency has sought to limit.

As a natural resource scientist that has been versed in water quality in terms of sediment and toxicology, I see an issue with moving forward with the proposed Stibnite project.

Thank you for the consideration