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Comments: Extending the Comment Period for Stibnite Gold Project 2019

Dear Chief Christiansen,

I am writing to implore you to extend the comment period on the DEIS for the Stibnite Gold Project. Simply put, 45 days not a long enough period for community members to sift through, comprehend and process the extraordinary amount of information that will be contained in this extensive study.

I understand that the EIS is an incredibly comprehensive and complex undertaking, in which the impacts of this project are carefully laid out. Therefore, I would hope that the comment period on this document would be of a reasonable amount of time, one that allows concerned citizens a realistic change to consider all that the EIS lays out Truly, what is the point of putting so much time and effort into a detailed report, that with just a 45 day comment period, few people will realistically be able to get through?

Therefore, I feel it is essential, and in fact keeping with similar mine projects, including the Pebble Mine, Rosemont Copper Mine, and the Idaho Cobalt Project, that the comment period be extended to the 120 day limit, thereby allowing engaged citizens a fair change to process all that the EIS contains.

As Chief of the Forest Service, I hope that you will give serious consideration to this request to extend the comment period, and therefore allow myself and likeminded citizens a reasonable amount of time to understand how the proposed impacts of this project will affect the health, diversity, and productivity of our country's forests, rivers and those who inhabit them.

Sincerely,

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