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Comments: Two summers ago at the Yellow Pine Harmonica Festival, I eagerly signed up for a Midas Gold tour.

I loved the tour. My guides were smart, fun and personable. My fellow tour-mates were eager to learn more and asked great questions. Some already knew a fair bit about the project and some had heartwarming childhood and beyond stories about the area. We were from across the political spectrum.

It was an afternoon very well-spent. In fact, when they dropped us off in Yellow Pine, I told one of the tour guides I'd be applying for a job at Stibnite if mining operations commenced.

I am a lifelong resident of McCall, and for over twenty years, I spend half of each year working at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, which is an air, sea and land hub for multiple significant large traverse platforms and drill projects across a vast and treacherous continent.

I have project management experience in environmentally challenging places, and I believed my skills could contribute to the environmentally sound success of the Midas project. I was super excited to bring those skills back to Idaho and be closer to home sweet home year-round.

But then I left Yellow Pine and went home to McCall. And I started reading.

I know you've received countless letters of opposition, so I'll save you multiple paragraphs about why Midas' scheme is an awful idea for Idaho and our watershed.

Midas Gold is an awful idea. I really, really wanted it to be good, but it's just not. It is not good for Idaho. At all.

There are no 'go backs' on this one.