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Comments: I am writing to express my views on Midas Gold Idaho's Stibnite Gold Project. The opportunity presented by the Stibnite Gold Project is both great for the environment as well as great for rural Idaho. I want to see this project come to life as quickly as possible. The project will bring huge economic benefits to the rural communities surrounding the project site. Midas Gold will directly employ 400-500 employees during construction and operations. Payroll is expected to exceed \$34 million. These numbers do not even capture the indirect jobs I am confident nearby towns will see from the Stibnite Gold Project. Midas has proactively engaged community members and consistently sought local feedback. Some suggestions from locals are reflected in the plan - including the proposed road to site to keep traffic and potential pollutants away from waterways. In my mind, actions speak louder than words and Midas Gold has proven they will be a good partner moving forward. As the U.S. Forest Service and other state and federal agencies review the proposed plan and determine the course of action, I encourage you to consider and appropriately weigh the positive benefits Midas Gold will have on Idaho. We need to move this project ahead after the 60-day comment period. Alternative Two truly is a win-win opportunity for Idahoans and the environment.