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Comments: Please add my support to the Midas Gold project at Stibnite. The Company's Plan of Restoration Operation (PRO) presents a viable mining project that accomplishes several important goals. As a former resident of Valley County and the wife of a Board member of Stibnite Gold, I am intimately familiar with both, the project, and the economic needs of Valley County.

The creation of well paying jobs for the area is critical. I worked for several years with local families through the Head Start Program and know the economic hardships experienced by many families just trying to make a living there. Tourism can not provide and sustain the entire economy of the county. Midas Gold will provide hundreds of employment opportunities. The area no longer has an economic base that guarantees sustainable wages.

Environmentally, Midas Gold project would address the pollution that remains from the previous unregulated mining. We have had to endure the scars left in the landscape, including the infamous "glory hole." These scars, for which there is not Federal funding available, would be addressed by Midas Gold.

A momentous contribution would be the reconstruction of Fish habitat for which funding has never been available.

As a consequence of this project, an influx of millions of sorely needed dollars in local tax revenues will be generated by Midas Gold.

I could list additional benefits but those listed above are reason enough for the advancement of this project. The economic and environmental benefits from the Midas Gold project are immeasurable. Please adopt Alternative 2 in favor of this project.