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Comments: If Midas Gold Idaho is allowed to move forward with the Stibnite Gold Project, they will reclaim an area impacted by historical mining, create hundreds of wellpaying jobs and provide a huge boost to our economy in the process. It is a winwin for Valley County. We need to permit the project.

I believe the project presents a plan to repair the environment and boost Idaho's economy- particularly under Alternative 2. Historic mining operations, development of former town site and natural processes have resulted in significant degradation of many elements of the environment. Loss of fish passage, potential water degradation from previous mining activity and excessive erosion are all of great concern to our community. The Stibnite Gold Project would finance reclamation efforts to address these problems and in turn boost Idaho's economy. It is a win-win for our community.

Alternative two allows Midas to build the Burnt Log route in to site, I believe this makes the most sense because it would keep the mine traffic away from the heavily recreated areas along Johnson Creek. In addition, if there were to be an accident during the operational phase of mining, at least it would not happen along the river, I would guess it also puts less dust in the area or in the rivers, again a win for all of us.

I urge you to approve the project as outlined by Midas Gold in Alternative 2, it is the best of the alternatives outlined by the USFS. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit to our community and the local environment. The USFS has taken meaningful measures to ensure the public has had enough time and resources during the public comment period.