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Comments: I was born and raised in McCall and was lucky enough to be able to consider the greater South Fork of the Salmon watershed my back yard. I was raised kayaking, fishing, camping, hiking and mt. biking the area. I am now raising a family of my own here in Valley County and am trying to pass similar high quality outdoor experiences on to my daughter. We frequent the South Salmon watershed. This resource is far too valuable both recreationally and ecologically, and the process of mining far too complicated and possibly detrimental, to not allow it the maximum public comment period. I made a concerted effort to educate myself on the first DEIS and did a large amount of research for my comments on it. There are many changes to this SDEIS and a huge volume of material (1600 pages) to digest. 120 days is barely enough time and 75 is wholly insufficient. Compound this with the fact that the comment period includes the entire holiday season and the task of making thoughtful, meaningful comments becomes even harder. Please give this valuable region and resource the respect and extend the public comment period to 120 days.

Thank you very much for your time.