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Comments: Dear US Forest Service:

I am very very very concerned about the proposed Stibnite Gold Mine's negative effect on habitat, wildlife and recreational use.

Previous mining in that area has already caused a lot of habitat degradation. Previous mining companies never cleaned up after themselves. Why do we think the SGP/Perpetua folks will? Unless they post a huge bond, there will be nothing to stop them from just going bankrupt, and leaving the citizens of the State of Idaho to clean up after them. Mining Companies are notoriously bad at cleaning up, protecting water and fish, etc.

I am retired and spend a lot of time rafting and birding. These mines degrade things for a hundred years, even when they do their best.

I think Idaho's natural resources are more important than putting a big risky open pit mine in the wilderness, and near the Frank Church area.

I support Option 3.... Make those miners clean up their past messes; don't allow more mining in such an important wilderness resource area. There is no critical national interest served in letting the new mine go forward; there will be negative impacts for a hundred years if you let them mine.

Thank you ,

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