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Comments: Dear Supervisor Jackson,

I'm writing to express my deep concern over the SDEIS regarding approval for the Stibnite Gold Project. The Salmon River Watershed, including the South Fork is perhaps the most quintessential river system representing deeply held wilderness, indigenous peoples, recreational, and wildlife Idaho values. There is historically no mining operation which has not had a profoundly negative impact on all of those values in Idaho or anywhere else and the Salmon River is simply an unsuitable place to have a mine of this nature given not the potential risk but the definite risk. The damage that will be done by this mine will forever change this place in a negative way which no amount of "restoration" can repair.

The mine will financially benefit a relatively very small number of people and pales in comparison to the financial damage caused to a very large number of people. Billions of dollars have been spent on salmon recovery and this mine flies in the face of that effort. Clean water has been taken for granted historically but it's clear that it's value in today's world far outstrips the value of even gold.

I urge you and the Forest Service to reject this project and protect this incredibly unique and special place for generations of Idahoans and Americans to come. Thank You.