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Comments: I am commenting to oppose the Stibnite Mine Project for the threats it poses to the South Fork of the Salmon. The South Fork of the Salmon is an ecologically significant place, and the Stibnite Mine threatens to have extreme negative impacts to the habitat many species of fauna and flora call home. A mine is not compatible with keeping the environmental integrity of the South Fork intact. This fall, I had the opportunity to drive up to the town of Stibnite, passing the mining project on the way. We noticed as we followed the headwaters of the East Fork of the South Fork river down from Stibnite, the rocks were pitch black from pollution leeching into the water. An "environmentally friendly" mine does not exist, as spills and leaks are frequent in the mining industry. This mine most notable threatens Chinook salmon and bull trout, gold species of their own sort. A gold mine of this capacity is not worth the threats to the South Fork habitat. I oppose the re-opening of the Stibnite Mine, thank you for your consideration.