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Comments: To the Forest Service:

The Stibnite Gold Project puts not only the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness at risk, but also the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River, including endangered species such as salmon, steelhead, and bull trout. The Forest Service needs to deny the permit for Perpetua Resource's Stibnite Gold Project and require Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site.

Under the preferred alternative, road construction and mining operations would cause serious impacts to the River of No Return Wilderness, including noise audible from a nearly 2-mile radius, wildlife disturbance and displacement, increased access to and activity in what are now quiet and lightly-visited places in the Wilderness, and sediment pollution in streams within the Wilderness.

The wilderness evaluation erroneously downplays these impacts.

The last thing this area needs is more toxic mining and associated impacts. Thank you.