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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I was raised by two USFS employees. They both taught me to have a deep respect for our natural resources and just how fragile they are. One of the greatest lessons I learned as a young kid camping in the wilderness was "leave no trace". It was priority to leave these pristine natural places we were privileged to visit in as good or better condition than we found them. Leave them so that someone wouldn't be able to know a human had been there before. Will this mining company be held to the same standard? NO. This is a dangerous and wasteful use of our natural resources. Natural areas like we have here in Idaho are becoming more and more rare by the day with suburbs expanding further and further into the hills. Allowing money and greed to destroy our land and natural resources at the heart of it would be a grave mistake in my opinion. Please think about our future generations and what you want to leave for them before making this decision. Do you want others to someday be able to experience the untouched beauty of Idaho, or do you want them to have to try to imagine it as they look past dry river beds and a strip mine?