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You will be hearing from many of us. While we have agreed to raise the following points, please understand that we represent United States citizens who are deeply distressed by the sacrifice of public and wilderness lands to individual company's desire to exploit resources, regardless of the cost to others. The permit for the Stibnite Gold Project must be denied.

The Stibnite Gold Project puts not only the famed Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness at risk, but also the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River and endangered species such as salmon, steelhead, and bull trout.

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 new proposed road would sit 100 feet from the wilderness boundary or could even enter the Wilderness, as the most logical location for the road seems to be an existing pack trail that dips into the Wilderness.

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

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 which is long overdue.

All our children and their children deserve an environment that has been protected for this sort of mining operation that benefits one company's bottom line at the expense of all.

Sincerely yours,
Ann Woll