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Comments: It is imperative that the Forest Service deny Perpetua Resources a permit to re-open and expand the former mine pits for its proposed cyanide vat leach gold mine called Stibnite Gold Project. The Forest Service should also force Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site.

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. It 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 last thing this area needs is more toxic mining and associated impacts. Again the Forest Service must deny the permit for Perpetua Resource's Stibnite Gold Project and require Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site.

Thank you.