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Comments: I am writing to let you know of my concerns about this proposed project and my opposition to it. I encourage the US Forest Service to deny Perpetua Resource's Stibnite Gold Project permit. Instead USFS should require Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site.

The Frank Church River of no Return Wilderness is world famous for its natural and recreational values. This project will have too many negative impacts on the Wilderness and should not be allowed. Noise, air pollution, lighting, traffic, wildlife impacts. infrastructure, and safety issues all would have huge negative impacts and are cause for not allowing this permit. Endangered species will be harmed by this work as well.

The history of mining in this area is well-documented and shows the harmful impacts that mining has had. The US government and Nez Perce are still trying to clean up past abuses and introducing another mine that will further harm the area is the wrong move.

Please protect the wonderful Wilderness and deny this permit.