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Comments: I am very concerned about the Stibnite Gold Project. It puts a portion of the South Fork of the Salmon River and the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness at risk, and also 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 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 wilderness evaluation erroneously downplays these impacts.

This area needs protection, not more toxic mining and its associated impacts.