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Comments: As one who has paddled in the Frank Church/River of No Return Wilderness, I very strongly OPPOSE the proposal by Perpetua Resources to reopen and expand this gold mining project (Stibnite Gold Project).

Road construction and mining operations would cause very serious impacts to the River of No Return Wilderness. I'm concerned about noise pollution with a 2-mile radius, wildlife disturbance and displacement, and increased access to and activity in what are now quiet and lightly-visited places in this wilderness, as well as sediment pollutions in wilderness streams. These impacts are downplayed in the wilderness evaluation. Additionally, a new proposed road is only 100 feet from the wilderness boundary and could even enter the wilderness.

I ask you to strongly consider that the LAST THING this area needs is more toxic mining and associated impacts. This mine permit should be denied and Perpetua must be required to finish cleaning up the mine site.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.