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Comments: The Forest Service needs to deny the mine permit and require Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site. Road construction and mining operations would cause serious impacts to the River of No Return Wilderness and the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River. The mine puts not only the Wilderness at risk, but also this important 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, and sediment pollution in streams.
*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.
*The last thing this area needs is more toxic mining and associated impacts.