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Comments: 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.

I do not support the preferred alternative because, road construction and mining operations would cause serious damaging 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.

Furthermore, the Wilderness evaluation erroneously downplays these impacts.

Additionally, the proposed new road would sit 100 feet from the Wilderness boundary and would most likely enter the Wilderness as the "most logical" route which seems to be an existing pack trail that dips into the Wilderness.

The last thing this area needs is more toxic mining and associated negative and destructive impacts.

The U.S. Forest Service needs to deny the permit for Perpetua Resource's Stibnite Gold Project and require Perpetua to finish cleaning up the mine site.