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Comments: Dear U.S. Forest Service, thank you for being stewards of our forests and public lands and for taking comments on the Stibnite Gold mine issue.

As stewards of these pristine and sensitive lands I would hope you would rule to postpone the permitting of mining operations. There are too many unaccounted for variables to be considered before permission is granted. Among them is the return of riparian areas after mining operations have ended, the rising water temperature that is detrimental to the bull trout populations, the increased possibility of accidents with hazardous materials and fuels throughout the site, and the fragmentation of sensitive wolverine ranges.

The mining industry has not proved to be a friend of the environment. This operation by Perpetua by expanding the footprint of this site threatens the health of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness Area. The area is priceless as it is. Please be the stewards to protect this area. Thank you, Tom Neale