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Comments: My comment today is regarding the Stibnite Gold Project. I object to this project because it places the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness at risk as well as the East Fork of the Sout Fork of the Salmon River. Endangered species such as salmon, steelhead and bull trout will be placed in jeopardy.

Road construction and mining operations under the preferred alternative would cause harmful impacts to the River of No Return Wilderness such as excessive noise which will be audible for approximately 2 miles, serious wildlife disturbance and displacement, increased human access to areas which are now quiet and lightly-visited places in the Wilderness, and sediment pollution in streams within the Wilderness.

The wilderness evaluation mistakenly deemphasizes the threats to wilderness that this project can cause. This area does not need more toxic mining impacts.

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