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Comments: Hello,

I am writing to express my concern about the Stibnite Gold Project that puts the famed Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness at risk, and also the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River and endangered species such as salmon, steelhead, and bull trout.

Serious noise impact to the River of No Return Wilderness would be caused by road construction and mining operations for a nearly 2-mile radius. There would also be 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.

The wilderness evaluation erroneously downplays these impacts. A new proposed road would sit only 100 feet from the wilderness boundary or could even enter the Wilderness, as the most logical location for the road seems to be an existing pack trail that dips into the Wilderness.

Additional Toxic mining and associated impacts would be disastrous to this area that has already been degrading from these activities in the past. 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.