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Comments: I am deeply disturbed that the Stibnite Gold Project is even being considered by the US Forest Service. This project puts not only the 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. Under the preferred alternative, road construction and mining operations would cause serious impacts to the River of No Return Wilderness, including noise from a nearly 2-mile radius, wildlife disturbance and displacement, increased access and activity in what are now quiet and lightly visited places in the Wilderness, and sediment pollution in streams within the Wilderness. Indigenous tribes and the Federal Government have spent thousands of dollars trying to clean up abandoned mining sites in this area. This area surely does not need more toxic mining.

Please deny the permit for Perpetua Resources Stibnite Gold Project and have them finish cleaning up the mine site. We should be saving and expanding all the Wilderness lands we now have, not destroying more.