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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

Please extend public comment time for the Stibnite Gold Project. We need more time to generate energy around this issue.

The South Fork of the Salmon is one of the purest and most beautiful places I have ever been. I am appalled that Perpetua is being aloud to re open the mine at its headwaters.

This project has the potential to greatly affect not just the South Salmon but the Salmon River drainage as a whole. As I'm sure you know, it will greatly impact fish habitat and wreak havoc on an already dwindling population.

As a recreational user, water contamination is a massive issue for myself and other users. Not being able to filter out all of the chemicals being spilled into the river will drive users away and make it more difficult for the river to be protected by public action.

Furthermore, there are extreme cultural implications for this project. Although Perpetua has sold Valley County locals on the benefits of this project, they have mislead and lied to them in order to gain their support. We need more time to shed light on this awful and harmful proposal.

Please do not approve the Stibnite Gold Mine proposed by Perpetua.

Sincerely, Cass Stoltzfus