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Comments: I am writing to urge the US Forest Service to consider the mining project that would increase pollution and traffic within the headwaters of the South Fork of the Salmon River. Consider increasing the protection of this area if anything, not the exploitation. Make a decision to stand up against mining here for the fish, the native peoples, and recreational opportunities which bring economic support to the region. I have paddled in 6 countries over my 32 year paddling career and the South Fork of the Salmon River experience it still at an all time level of wilderness multi-day beauty. Protect this zone for our children and their opportunity to explore these wonderful, almost pristine lands. Please stop the process now, and shelter this wilderness from the greed which knows no bounds. Our few last special places in the lower 48 should not have a price tag, some things have value beyond that of money. This is one of those places, the experiences here and wildlife need to be shepherded. I urge the U.S. Forest service to care for this land, in the best interest of our generation and those to come.