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Comments: As a student living in Idaho, I have often enjoyed this state's beautiful wilderness. The South Fork of the Salmon river holds many memories for me. From kayaking trips to hiking or fishing, this place is very special to many other Idahoans and me. Though this area has been impacted by historical mining, we do not need a new mine to restore it. I oppose allowing the Stibnite Gold Project to proceed as proposed here because of the negative effects it will have on the wildlife, recreation, and public lands in this area. The damage to water quality will irreversibly pollute the area for generations to come. It will also be very detrimental to the health of wildlife. The protections set in now for fish will not help if the water is too warm for them to live. The negative impact that this plan would have on air quality also worries me. To reduce this the air quality should be monitored near the site and along the public access road to Thunder Mountain. This is important to continue a sustainable outdoor recreation economy in the area. This plan needs to be significantly revised to minimize the impact on wilderness, wildlife, and public health or perhaps stopped completely.