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Comments: Dear Supervisor,

Having been a Idaho resident for 50 years, I am fully aware that the identifying and most attractive part of the state's character is its extensive wildness. As the guardian of that tradition, it is incumbent on the National Forests and you as its warden to protect that character. The Stibnite mine has been and continues to be an wart on the forest face. Why should the Forest Service encourage a barely existing Canadian mining company. Believing that suddenly such a company will become protective of the natural environment is equally farfetched. What is the history of their recovery efforts to date? The justification that the mine benefits our national security is a belated attempt to paper over an historic "extract, profit and run" approach. Straight out of the Bunker Hill playbook in the Coeur d'Alene mining District. The ravages of hydraulic mining have already lasted 140 years in Idaho. Image what the future impact of the proposed mine will be. Thank you, Ivar Nelson, Moscow, Idaho.