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Comments: Dear USFS,

As an angler, hunter, backcountry hiker, and steward of the land, I am extremely worried about the Stibnite Gold Project.

I worry that our forested watersheds will be seeped with toxic substances, putting our water and soil at risk. Additionally, if the project moves forward, I worry that our threatened bull trout will be poisoned to extinction (from water quality) in that operational zone, a majestic fish that needs adequate protection. Who will take the blame if this becomes a reality?

I worry about the air quality and how that will affect remote towns nearby the mining operation. And how the pollution will affect the ecological dynamics?

I worry about the safety of travelers on the highways as large trucks are transporting materials and equipment. These highways are already dangerous and I can't fathom the amount of more danger. Who will take the blame for accidents?

I worry about the clean up of these operations. Historically, we know that mines have not cleaned up their mess. I DO NOT want a scrapped and thrown-away operation on my public lands.

Why would we continue operating on these treasured lands (not Perpetua's definition of treasure) when we know the harmful effects?

I kindly ask you to not move forward with this project. I want the land, water, air, and wildlife to thrive for generations, for my kids and their kids to enjoy.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider. Much appreciated.