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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

As an ER physician I am very concerned about the health effects of stibnite mine for our community. Perpetua has not adequately shown that our water quality will remain safe, as eventually the liner used to hold the toxins will break down. Also, there can be spillage from the multiple trucks going to the mine with toxic materials from accidents.

In addition, I did not see a plan anywhere for emergencies or trauma occurring to mine workers. Many times in the winter due to weather, we are unable to fly critical patients to Boise and sometimes we can't even get them to Boise by ground during storms. This will also be a problem for the workers at the mine, especially because the Burnt Log road is at such a high elevation that it will get large amounts of snow, sometimes making it impassable and prone to avalanches. It will be extremely difficult to get hurt or sick workers to the hospital in the winter during storms. Perpetua needs to have a plan for this. Thanks you. Sincerely Julie Welty MD