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Comments: I am concerned for the negative impacts this project will have, to include:

- Designated critical habitat to ESA-listed chinook, steelhead, and bull trout and well as westslope cutthroat, a forest service listed sensitive species.
- 392 million tons of heavy metal laden and possible acid-generating material will be disturbed and stored with potential to further contaminate water resources of the site.
- Hazardous spill along the road, increased noise levels from the site operations, wildlife displacement and disturbance to natural dark skies will all be consequence to the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.
- Historic Chinook spawning ground upstream of the mine would be reconnected via an untested mile-long fish tunnel, only to be covered in hundreds of feet of toxic mine tailing. "restoration" would mean a reconstructed river channel flowing on top of the tailings with elevated water temperatures for the next 100 years.
- Recreation opportunities with the operations area boundary would be eliminated until after reclamation (SDEIS p.2-160)
- Access to indigenous cultural and ceremonial sites will be blocked for 20 years.

This project would have very high impacts to the Frank Church, the great Salmon river watershed, roadless areas and extensive ecological, cultural and recreational resources.

I would request a 45 day extension of the insufficient 75-day public comment period.

- This project would leave irreparable scars to the land for generations to come.
 - Hold the forest service accountable to continue "caring for the land and serving people"
- This project serves a global corporation, nothing else.