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Comments: As a recently graduated mining engineer, I am excited to see a project like the Stibnite Mine advancing in the United States. I believe the Stibnite project represents a truly unique opportunity in building and operating a state-of-the-art modern mine that will provide multiple benefits to the surrounding communities, the state of Idaho, and the country as a whole.

A truly unique aspect of the Stibnite project is the potential for significant improvement of the natural environment of the area compared to the existing conditions. The existing mining impacts in the area are a poor mark on the mining industry and the Stibnite project will remove the current negative impacts and restore the natural environment to similar to that which existed before any mining occurred in the area. The removal of the existing Yellow Pine pit and restoration of the streams and wetlands will provide immeasurable benefit to the immediate and downstream areas. The Stibnite project is an opportunity to right the wrongs of past mining operations and generate additional benefits along the way.

Additionally, the construction of the Stibnite Mine would provide a source of critical minerals that are necessary for the development and advancement of our society. Establishing a domestic source of antimony would shore up one part of our country's supply chain in the face of global uncertainty.

In summary, I support the construction of the Stibnite Mine. This mining project will provide significant benefits to the environment, local communities, and our country as a whole.