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Comments: I vote "no" on reopening the Stibnite Mine. The South Fork of the Salmon and all adjacent areas will only be negatively affected for all eternity and future generations for greed. This area is priceless and no economic gain for a few can be justified. I have only witnessed past mining companies, including the last operator of this mine, forego their reclamation and restoration duties by passing on those responsibilities to the taxpayers. The indigenous people, such as the Nez Perce and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, have already seen us desecrate their sacred lands in this and neighboring areas. Please let us stop this desecration.

Moreover, these lands are important and necessary for sustaining not only ESA listed species, but our species. Clean air, water and wild places are necessary for life, not necessarily gold. Let us pull our resources together to further restore the South Fork of the Salmon ecosystem, without reopening and expanding the Stibnite Mine.