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Comments: I am against the Stibnite Gold Project for many reasons. It is essential that the Forest Service not allow mining to begin and continue in the South Fork Salmon River drainage after several failed attempts by mining companies to reduce/reclaim the land back to some normalcy.

We must work to preserve the environment in its natural state. We must help protect the many species of plants and animals that live here, including the anadromous and resident fish that swim in these waters.

It is crucial that the US government finally uphold its obligations set forth in the treaties established with the Native American tribes.

Now more than ever, it is vital to preserve the water quality of the South Fork from any other toxic contaminants that can and will leach from new mining activity. Many communities live downstream from the South Fork and depend on clean water.

It is time to put an end to the deception and lies that are being perpetuated in order to mine for gold here on the South Fork of the Salmon River. Leave the gold in the ground and let nature be.

Thank you for your time.
Sincerely,