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Comments: To the Forest Service/Keepers of Public land in trust,

Extractive non-renewable resource use never benefits the species both human and non-human that live the the area of extraction. We see this over and over again around the globe and within the US. Companies from outside of an area seek to profit without having to take on any of the long term burden. There is no easy way to put a price tag on public lands, which is why they so often get used by the greedy private sector who only see dollar signs. However, just thinking of timescales alone should shut down this project of gold mining. The short term gain by a private out-of-Idaho company with long term consequences of ecosystem damage born by Idaho. The short term profits of individuals outside this area in comparison to generations in perpetuity enjoying the landscape, recreation, hunting and fishing of this incredible river corridor.

I urge you to consider the long term view, be on the right side of history. You are the keepers of the public land, please act in my grandchildrens' grandchildrens' greater good.

Thank you,
Jess