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Comments: Good morning,

I'm writing to express my concerns and opinions that the Stibnite Gold Mine project does NOT move forward. My primary concern is the scientific and cultural value that this site and watershed holds in its ability to support a healthy (albeit declining) salmon population, among other fisheries, as well as the historical significance from indigenous peoples who lived here first.

Building on that, the value and economic stimulus from in state and out of state residents who come to paddle, fish, camp, and recreate on the South Fork is already a solid foundation with room for growth that would otherwise be lost if this project moves forward.

I've only been a visitor and paddler in the Salmon river watershed, and it would be a loss of a generation, and a disservice to the work that has taken place to safeguard this watershed thus far.

This is no place for a mine.