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Comments: Greetings and thank you for your public land stewardship,

Please stop the Perpetua Resource Project.

It will have impacts on ESA-listed fish, the Frank Church Wilderness, rivers eligible for Wild and Scenic River designation, Roadsless Areas, and ecological and recreational resources.

The Frank Church Wilderness is the largest contiguous federally managed wilderness in the United States outside of Alaska. I've had the privilege of doing my MA research on the South Fork of the Salmon, and have paddled the Salmon River many times (Middle Fork, South Fork) over the last two decades. It is an important ecological resource that needs continued protection from mining impacts.