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Comments: Hello,

I have grown up fly fishing, rafting, kayaking and hunting in and around the East Fork of The south fork of the Salmon river for over a decade now. This area is dear to me as a recreator of the area and as a Public Land owner. I am proud to live in states like Idaho and Montana that have great access to outdoor spaces that provide recreational opportunities. I am devastated to hear the proposed action plan for the Gold Mine and I am writing to you my concerns as a concerned public land owner.

I am asking that a 45 day extension be added to the 75 day public comment period to total for 120 days for the public to comment on the Stibnite Gold Project SDEIS. This project will be significantly impacting this area of high public interest, while also affecting recreating areas for hundreds of miles downstream. This includes ESA-listed fish, The Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness rivers as well as extensive ecological, cultural and recreational resources. If mining activities continue, the roughly 14,000 acre area will be closed, restricting public land owners from accessing this area while removing habitat for the whole spectrum of organisms, including fish and wolverines. It is vital to allow adequate time for concern citizens and organizations to comment on the proposals and ask questions.

The reclamation efforts fail to meet the standards to repair the already extensive damage and plan to extend the range of damage from mining activities. I am asking that there be a more extensive and far reaching plan in order to reverse the damages already done at the site, and consequently downstream.

The studies conducted for the SDEIS lacks significant data collection and I am asking for their to be an in-depth investigation to claims such as being able to control 93% of the dust from roads when regarding air quality effects, which is an inaccurate claim as the Forest Service and Perpetua has been unable to prove this claim.

In regards to the impact of the land of the New Perce, Shoshone-Bannock and Shoshone- Paiute tribes, the SDEIS states (P. ES -32), "Adverse impacts to tribal rights and interests under either alternative, including preventing access to traditional lands, harming traditional fishing and hunting rights, impacting endangered salmon and concerns that it would harm the tribe's salmon restoration efforts". This is very concerning as it is impacting groups of Native Americans who have lived on the land and have been wrongfully displaced throughout settling history. The impact of this mine continues to deny these people of their right to access of the land and to healthy rivers and ecosystems.

Thank you for your time.