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Comments: It's hard to believe that one actually has to comment against such an atrocity being forced upon as precious a water resource as the East Fork of the South Fork of the Salmon River. How could this even be taken seriously? After millions of dollars and years of effort to clean up what has already polluted the area from past mining projects. It should not even be a consideration. The habitat, the fisheries, the wildlife that depends upon them, the vast water resources that would go into this production, the new roads, the land bordering the project that native peoples hold dear. No. Absolutely no. Please remove this option from the table, and give the land the dignity it deserves by not entertaining the possibility of this horrific project. For the people, for the ecosystem, for all those who recreate here and depend on the water for life. Not only that, I request you require Perpetua to clean up every inch of soil and water that has been damaged from previous projects. The River of No Return is a precious resource. Let's manage it as if life depends upon it, because it does. No amount of gold could ever be worth the damage this project will cause. Thank you for your consideration, and thank you for being stewards of the land and doing the right thing.