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Comments: I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed Stibnite Gold Project in Idaho. This project poses significant environmental risks, including:
- Water Pollution: The project's mining activities could lead to the contamination of local water sources with heavy metals, such as arsenic and lead. This could have devastating consequences for aquatic ecosystems and human health.
- Habitat Destruction: The development of the mine would result in the destruction of valuable wildlife habitat, including critical areas for endangered and threatened species.
- Climate Change: The mining process often involves the release of greenhouse gases, contributing to climate change and its associated impacts.

Furthermore, the long-term sustainability of the project is questionable. The potential for acid mine drainage and the need for extensive remediation efforts raise concerns about the project's environmental footprint.

I urge the USDA Forest Service to acknowledge how the environmental impact out weighs any economic advantage in Idaho and to deny the necessary permits for the Stibnite Gold Project.