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Comments: Hi,

Although I am now from out of state, I wanted to chime in with my whole-hearted support for the approval of this mine. I have been reading the letters that voice a well-intended concern for the environmental impacts of this mine, but the reality is that this project moving forward is what will help address the damage done to this area from previous generations of mining. The company has already demonstrated their commitment to helping to restore this area and I believe they will follow through on their future commitments as well.

Beyond this, though, the need for the antimony from this mine is absolutely critical for the economic and military security of our country. This isn't a concern that overrides environmental concerns, but it must be considered with the appropriate weight. We are putting lives at risk if we cannot secure domestic sources of this mineral - I am trying to avoid hyperbole but this is a very serious issue given China's recent export bans. We have a chance to mine it here at home, in what will be I'm sure a more environmentally friendly way of mining it than what we see in China or Russia. We should jump at the chance to revive this mine and take advantage of the resources in our back yard.

The environmental review of this project to date has been vast, lengthy, and appropriate. It is time now for the Stibnite Gold Project to help secure our nation's future.