

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 5/4/2026 5:57:58 PM

First name: Jed

Last name: Pugsley

Organization:

Title:

Comments: I am writing to express my support for the Black Pine Gold Project. As a member of the local community and a cattle ranch operator in the surrounding area, I have a strong interest in the long-term economic stability and vitality of our region.

The Black Pine Gold Project represents a meaningful opportunity for economic development in our area. Rural communities like ours often face limited avenues for growth, and responsible resource development can play an important role in sustaining local economies. This project is expected to bring well-paying jobs, increased business for local service providers, and additional tax revenue that can support schools, infrastructure, and public services.

From my perspective as a rancher, I understand the importance of balancing economic opportunity with responsible land stewardship. With proper oversight and adherence to environmental regulations, projects like this can coexist with existing agricultural operations while contributing positively to the broader economic landscape.

Beyond direct employment, the project will likely have a ripple effect throughout nearby communities. Local businesses-ranging from equipment suppliers to restaurants and retail-stand to benefit from increased activity in the area. This kind of economic boost helps keep small towns viable and supports families who rely on steady, local sources of income.

In summary, I believe the Black Pine Gold Project will be a net positive for our region, strengthening the local economy and providing new opportunities while maintaining the values that make our community strong. I encourage careful consideration and support of this project moving forward.