

U.S. Forest Service, Payette National Forest
Attn: Linda Jackson, Payette Forest Supervisor
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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the U.S. Forest Service's permitting process. This is an important project for Valley County and will have a significant impact on the community.

The Stibnite site is one of very few locations with a stable supply of antimony. My fellow veterans and I feel strongly that the Stibnite Gold Project will significantly benefit the United States' line of defense and facilitate the development of new technologies. Antimony is used in high tech electronics such as night vision goggles, communications equipment, infrared sensors, explosives formulations, and ammunition primers. It is also used in hardening lead in bullets and shrapnel, in armor piercing projectiles, and in nuclear weapons and nuclear power plants on submarines and warships. There is a high demand for Antimony in the U.S. and Midas Gold aims to meet that demand.

We need to move this project ahead after the 60-day comment period. I urge you to approve Alternative 2 outlined by Midas Gold Idaho.

With Respect,


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