

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the SDEIS for the Stibnite Gold Project. This project is important for Idaho's future and our nation's future. Perpetua Resources has a plan to leave the site better than they found it and produce antimony, a mineral we need for our national defense and clean energy future.

Perpetua Resources has a clear plan to clean up legacy issues in the historic Stibnite Mining District. The company has recently made improvements to their plans that reduce the project footprint, improve water quality and keep water temperatures at or below current conditions. This will improve fish habitat, water quality and safely store old mine waste. Along with restoring the site, the Stibnite Gold Project will produce the only domestically mined supply of antimony. Currently, China is the top producer of this mineral. If the Stibnite Gold Project moves forward, the United States can become less reliant on other countries. Creating a domestic source of antimony will also be beneficial for America's green future. Sourcing antimony within the U.S. will result in lower carbon emissions as we will not need to transport the mineral from China into the U.S. Mining standards in the U.S. are also more protective of the environment.

Thank you for the thorough review of the Stibnite Gold Project. After analyzing the project for the past six years, I urge you to now move forward and permit the mine using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan so Perpetua Resources can put Americans back to work.

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