

I am writing in support of the Stibnite Gold Project. The project will help restore the site, secure the minerals we need for our national security and strengthen America's supply chains. Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback as part of the National Environmental Policy Act.

Perpetua Resources has studied Stibnite for the past 12 years. The company has identified a safe way to mine the site, while minimizing environmental impacts in the Burntlog Route and providing our nation with a source of the critical mineral antimony. Today, there is no mined antimony in the United States and that concerns me. Antimony is crucial to our national security. It is found in every military bullet, uniform and flare. Simply put, we need antimony to keep our troops and country safe. The Stibnite Gold Project would meet 35% of America's antimony demand. This is clearly a project we need to move forward.

Perpetua Resources wants to restore the rivers, wildlife and habitat near the Stibnite Gold Project site. We should let them, especially considering the permitting process has worked and helped the company identify how to improve water quality and temperature in the SDEIS. Please permit the Stibnite Gold Project and continue to move this important project forward.

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