

I am writing to express my full support of Perpetua Resources and the Stibnite Gold Project. The project would finally address legacy mining issues that have been plaguing the site for decades and help secure the minerals we need for America's future. The company has shown its commitment to Valley County and the state of Idaho and I encourage you to adopt the proposed activities outlined in the company's 2021 Modified Mine Plan during the permitting process.

The EIS document estimates that the project will generate \$29.4 million in taxes annually and create thousands of jobs for Idahoans and nationwide. I reviewed section 21 which summarizes the beneficial economic impacts from the project. The 2,690 jobs created by the mine during operations annually, and almost 5,000 jobs created during construction, would be a huge benefit to the local and state economies. Moreover, these would be high paying jobs offering good benefits and supporting workers families. This is exactly the kind of economic incentive that is needed in rural Idaho. The McCall area can't make it on tourism alone.

The SDEIS reduces the size of the project footprint, improves water quality, eliminates the need for long-term water treatment and makes sure water temperature on site does not exceed baseline conditions – all while providing our nation with access to a mineral we desperately need. The permitting process has been thorough and complete. Now, I hope the U.S. Forest Service will realize the benefits this project and permit the Stibnite Gold Project using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan.

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