

I am writing to express my full support of Perpetua Resources and the Stibnite Gold Project. Perpetua has shown they are committed to Idaho and want to take care of the environment. The company designed its project to clean up legacy waste, reconnect salmon to their native spawning grounds and fix one of the watershed's largest source of sedimentation. The Stibnite Gold Project would leave water quality, wetlands and the river better than they are today. I hope you move forward and permit this project as quickly as possible.

A diverse economy is a strong economy. I am excited about the year-round employment opportunities and other benefits the Stibnite Gold Project will bring to the region. The economic impacts of the project have been closely analyzed by the USFS and numerous other independent, third-party analysts. I know some are concerned about the project's impacts to tourism. However, analysis by the USFS in the DEIS importantly concluded that the Stibnite Gold Project would have negligible socioeconomic impacts to the region's recreation tourism sector. I hope the Stibnite Gold Project will be allowed to move forward utilizing Burntlog Road, so we can provide more than 500 family-wage jobs to Idahoans and inject millions into the local economy.

I encourage the USFS to move the Stibnite Gold Project forward and permit Perpetua Resources' project as outlined in the 2021 Modified Mine Plan. At this point, the Stibnite Gold Project has been studied by regulators for the last six year. That is enough. Now, it is time to let Perpetua get to work.

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