



Cibola National Forest Mountain Ranger Districts

Tentative Schedule for Forest Plan Revision Activities



Dates	Activity
Nov. 2012 – April 2014	Initial public outreach and kickoff of forest plan revision of the 1985 Cibola Forest Plan for the 4 mountain ranger districts. Held public meetings in Albuquerque, Tijeras, Mountainair, Corona, Torreon, Magdalena; and at Cibola and McKinley County Commissions in Gallup and Grants. Received input from the public on conditions, trends, and risks to resources, goods, and services provided by the Cibola NF. Prepared <u>draft resource assessment report</u> .
April 14, 2014	Released the <u>draft resource assessment report</u> on ecological, social and economic conditions, trends, risks to sustainability for public review and comment.
May 12-21, 2014	Held public meetings to discuss the <u>draft resource assessment report</u> in Albuquerque, Grants, Magdalena, Socorro, Santa Fe, Tijeras, Torreon, and Mountainair.
May - June 2014	Meetings with intertribal forums to discuss <u>draft resource assessment report</u> .
June 9 - July 8, 2014	Two rounds of collaborative workshops to identify <u>needs for change</u> to the existing forest plan. Held meetings in Gallup, Grants, Socorro, Albuquerque, Mountainair, and Torreon.
Sept. – Nov. 2014	Began collaborative process for <u>identifying and inventorying potentially suitable lands for wilderness</u> consideration. Introduced the online Collaborative Mapping Tool and held 1 st round of meetings in Albuquerque, Mountainair, Socorro, and Grants, and presented at Cañon de Carnuel. Received public input on <u>Phase 1 draft inventory maps</u> .
December 2014	Began reviewing public input on <u>Phase 1 draft inventory maps</u> to develop <u>Phase 2 draft inventory maps</u> for review.
February 2015	Published a Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS in the <i>Federal Register</i> , <u>needs for change document</u> , and assessment report based on public input.
April 2015	Received public input on Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS, <u>needs for change document</u> , and assessment report. Used input to develop draft forest plan and alternatives.
April 2015	Hosted a <u>meeting of cooperating agencies</u> to co-convene and a collaborative process with the public to develop a forest plan, alternatives, Draft EIS. Albuquerque. Formed <u>4 Landscape Teams and 1 Oversight Team</u> with Points of Contact from each team (Mt. Taylor, Magdalena, Mountainair, and Sandia).
May – July 2015	Co-convened with Landscape Teams and developed <u>draft visions, desired conditions, and management area maps for the draft plan</u> . Coordinated design and outreach for public meetings, field trips, web and news releases and public review of <u>Phase 2 inventory maps and evaluation process</u> .



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July – September 2015	Released materials for public engagement. Landscape Teams co-hosted 11 public workshops, field trips, etc. to review <u>draft visions, desired conditions, management area maps</u> , and <u>Phase 2 inventory maps and evaluation</u> of lands potentially suitable for wilderness (60 day comment period).
October – June 2016	Forest Service and Landscape Teams jointly reviewed public comments and developed a <u>preliminary draft plan</u> with <u>draft visions, niches, desired conditions, objectives, standards and guidelines, management areas (with wilderness recommendations), and alternatives</u> .
July - August 2016	Co-host with Landscape Teams release of <u>preliminary draft plan, management areas (with wilderness recommendations), and alternatives</u> via web, news releases, collaborative workshops for public comment (45 days).
Fall 2016	Forest Service and Landscape Teams jointly review public comments and make modifications to develop <u>Draft Plan and management areas (with wilderness recommendations)</u> . Prepare <u>Draft EIS alternatives and analyses, and Draft Biological Assessment</u> to analyze effects.
Winter 2017	Regional Office Review of Draft Plan, Draft EIS, and Draft Biological Assessment. Washington Office Briefing and Hill visits.
Spring 2017	Notice of Availability for public review of <u>Draft Plan and management areas (with wilderness recommendations) Draft EIS alternatives and analyses, including wilderness recommendations and Draft Biological Assessment</u> (90 days). Formal consultation U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
Summer/Fall 2017	Respond to comments and make adjustments to <u>Draft Plan and Draft EIS</u> with cooperating agencies. Continue formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Regional Office Review and Washington Office Briefing.
Winter/Spring 2018	Release of <u>Final Plan, Final EIS, Biological Opinion, and Draft Record of Decision</u> by Forest Supervisor. Notice of Objection period (60 days).
Summer 2018	<u>Objections resolved</u> (90 days) by Regional Forester. Briefing to Regional Office. Notice of plan approval and <u>Final Record of Decision, Plan, and EIS</u> .
Summer 2018	<u>Implementation and monitoring</u> of the revised Forest Plan.