

Boise National Forest

SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED ACTIONS

April, May, and June 2013

Enclosed is the Schedule of Proposed Actions (SOPA) for the Boise National Forest for the Spring Quarter 2013. The Schedule is also available on-line at <http://www.fs.fed.us/sopa/forest-level.php?110402> . The SOPA is one way we share information about proposed and on-going project analysis and activities on the national forest. The SOPA also tracks and reports project decisions that have been made since the previous SOPA was published in January 2013.

We are continuing our efforts to provide information to you in electronic formats. More documents about our proposed and finalized projects are making their way online. In addition to the current SOPA, check out other documents on our Web site at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/boise> and click on “Land & Resources Management” and then “Projects”.

During July 2004, we transitioned to the new Web-based database for tracking projects whose National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decisions are documented in a decision memo (DM), decision notice (DN), or record of decision (ROD), and we now have a nationwide format for the SOPA. To further improve our delivery of information nationally, the Forest Service will automatically post SOPAs at <http://www.fs.fed.us/sopa> four times per year: January, April, July, and October. This will increase the availability and timeliness of information. All projects are displayed in tables and are sorted alphabetically within Ranger District (refer to example below).

Since many people seem to prefer obtaining information from the web, we are optimistic that this will also reduce administrative costs associated with copying and mailing the SOPAs, as well as the amount of paper used.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Boise National Forest. If you would like to know more about a specific project, please call or write to the listed “contact person” indicated on the Schedule. The Forest will not do “blanket” mailings for each project. Rather, input regarding projects will be sought from persons who have indicated an interest in that particular project.

Table Example:

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| Location of project (i.e. which Forest, multiple Forests, District or multiple Districts) | | | | | |
| Project Name | Project Purpose ² | Planning Status ³ | Decision ⁴ | Expected Implementation ⁵ | Project Contact ⁶ |
| Document Type ¹ | Description: Briefly describes purpose of project and likely activities | | | | |
| | Location: Describes narrative description of project location and/or legal description | | | | |

¹ EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; DM = Decision Memo/Categorical Exclusion

² Resource proposing activity (e.g., Recreation Mgmt; Fuels Mgmt; Minerals and Geology; etc.)

³ Developing Proposal, In Progress, or Completed; Dates of published documents included

⁴ Exptd = Expected date or Actual = date decision document signed

⁵ Exptd = Expected date the project will be implemented

⁶ Project contact person if additional information desired or person to contact to ensure you will receive information concerning this project; local phone number and e-mail address included

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Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2013 to 06/30/2013

Boise National Forest

This report contains the best available information at the time of publication. Questions may be directed to the Project Contact.

| Project Name | Project Purpose | Planning Status | Decision | Expected Implementation | Project Contact |
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| R4 - Intermountain Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide) | | | | | |
| Greater Sage-grouse Management Direction EIS | - Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants | In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 12/09/2011 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/2013 | Expected:08/2014 | 09/2014 | Glen Stein 801-625-5281 gstein@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The purpose of this project is to prepare environmental impact statements (EISs) and supplemental environmental impact statements to incorporate greater sage-grouse conservation measures into Bureau of Land Management land use plans and Forest Plans. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Boise National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams, Blaine, Bonneville, Camas, Caribou, Cassia, Elmore, Fremont, Madison. Boise NF, Salmon-Challis NF, Caribou-Targhee NF, Sawtooth NF, Curlew NG. | | | | |
| Boise National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide) | | | | | |
| R4 - Intermountain Region | | | | | |
| Idaho Power Company Line 328 Project EA | - Special use management | In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 12/18/2012 | Expected:04/2013 | 06/2013 | Mark Bingman 208-382-7422 mbingman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The special use permit for Line 328 would be renewed for another 20-year term. The renewed permit, including those portions of Line 328 on the Emmett and Cascade Ranger Districts only, would also address access to the power line and its structures. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=34320 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District, Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Gem, Valley. LEGAL - T.15N., R.6E. South Fork Salmon River, Johnson Creek, North Fork payette River, and Squaw Creek drainages. | | | | | |
| Special Use Permit Renewal for Qwest (Century Link) CE | - Special use management | Cancelled | N/A | N/A | Elaine Alexander 208-373-4318 ealexander@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Qwest Corporation is requesting the renewal of its current permit through the creation of a single master permit. The permit will incorporate updated locations of improvements on Boise National Forest lands provided by Qwest. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District, Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise, Elmore. Mountain Home and Idaho City Ranger Districts. | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Trinity Ridge Roadside Salvage Project CE | - Forest products | In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 12/24/2012 | Expected:04/2013 | 06/2013 | Joshua Newman 208-587-7961 jnewman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project proposes to complete roadside salvage of dead and dying trees adjacent to high use roads within the 2012 Trinity Ridge Wildfire Area. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40991 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District, Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Elmore. The project area is within the Trinity Ridge Wildfire Area located north and west of Featherville, Idaho in Elmore County. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Cascade Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Big Creek WBP Enhancement Project CE | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) | In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2013 | Expected:07/2013 | 09/2013 | Michael Dimmett 208-382-7430 mdimmett@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Enhance survival of mature and immature whitebark pine on roughly 1,200 acres by eliminating competing conifer species. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - T15N, R5E, Section 24. Big Creek Summit. | | | | |
| FAA Shed Fuel Reduction CE | - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management | In Progress: Scoping Start 12/07/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:06/2013 | 07/2013 | Michael Theisen 208-382-7400 metheisen@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Timber stand improvement and elimination of wildfire hazard on roughly 10 acres. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - T12N, R3E, Section 3. West Mountain, FAA shed. | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Cascade Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Juniper Mountain Outfitters - O&G Permit Renewal CE | - Special use management | On Hold | N/A | N/A | Mark Bingman 208-382-7422 mbingman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Renew existing special use permit for horse camp, trail rides, fishing, and big game hunting outfitter and guide operations. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. South Fork Salmon River. | | | | |
| Spruce Creek Project EIS | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products | On Hold | N/A | N/A | Michael Dimmett 208-382-7430 mdimmett@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Implement silvicultural activities on approximately 1,200 acres in order to move affected stands toward desired vegetative conditions described in Appendix A of the Forest Plan. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=17492 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - T.16N., R.5E., Section 34, etc.; Boise Meridian, Valley County, Idaho. Spruce Creek in the Gold Fork River drainage. | | | | | |
| Stolle Priority Watershed Reforestation CE | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management | Completed | Actual: 02/28/2013 | 05/2013 | Michael Dimmett 208-382-7430 mdimmett@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Plant conifers on approximately 6,500 acres consumed by wildfire. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40243 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - T15N, R7E. South Fork Salmon River, Stolle Subwatershed. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Emmett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | R4 - Intermountain Region |
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| Boise National Forest Emmett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Ola Hill Range Project (formerly the Ola A and Ola Hill Range Project) EA | - Grazing management | In Progress: Notice of Initiation 03/06/2013 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2013 | Expected:11/2013 | 05/2014 | Renee Kehler 208-365-7000 rkehler@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project proposes to authorize continued grazing on the Ola Hill Cattle and Horse Allotment. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=41013 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Gem, Valley. The Ola Hill C&H Allotment is located approximately 2 miles Northast of Ola, Idaho. | | | | | |
| Bureau of Reclamation Scott Mountain Communication Site Special Use Permit CE | - Special use management | Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2013 | Expected:07/2013 | 10/2013 | Melissa Yenke 208-373-4245 myenke@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project proposes to amend the special use permit (SUP) for the BOR Scott Mountain Communication Site for proposed upgrades to the facilities including a new tower, microwave dishes, and solar array. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T10N, R06E, Section 28. The BOR Scott Mountain Communication Site is located adjacent to the Scott Mountain Lookout Road (NFS Rd 555BC). | | | | |
| Ola A Range Project EA *NEW LISTING* | - Grazing management | Developing Proposal Est. Notice of Initiation 05/2013 | Expected:02/2014 | 06/2014 | Renee Kehler 208-365-7000 rkehler@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project proposes to authorize continued livestock grazing on the Ola A Cattle and Horse Allotment. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise, Gem, Valley. The Ola A C&G Allotment is located about 2 miles east of Ola, Idaho. | | | | |
| Pyle-Anderson Thinning Project CE | - Vegetation management (other than forest products) | In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/20/2012 | Expected:05/2013 | 09/2013 | John Riling 208-365-7000 jriling@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The purpose of this project is to restore vegetation conditions on about 1,626 acres of ponderosa pine plantations on the Emmett Ranger District. Plantations would be thinned using chainsaws followed by activity fuels treatments. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=38703 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T10N, R05E, Sections 31 & 32 and T09N, R05E, Sections 04-09, 15-18, 20, and 21. The project area is located in the Pyle Creek and Anderson Creek subwatersheds. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Emmett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | R4 - Intermountain Region | | |
| Scriver Creek Integrated Restoration Project EIS | - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management | Completed | Actual: 01/17/2013 | 09/2013 | Ann Roseberry 208-365-7023 aroseberry@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project is designed to modify stand conditions to improve wildlife habitat and increase resiliency to insects, disease and wildfire; as well as improve watershed conditions and reduce long-term sedimentation caused by existing roads. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=17267 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise, Valley. LEGAL - T. 10N , R. 4E, sections 3-10, 15-18, and 20; T. 11N, R. 4E, sections 21-23, and 26-34; Boise Meridian, Boise & Valley Counties. The project area is approximately 11,510 acres and is located in the Scriver Creek sub-watershed, a tributary to the Middle Fork Payette River, 6 miles north of Crouch, Idaho. | | | | | |
| Water System Special Use Permit Renewal 2012 CE | - Special use management | On Hold | N/A | N/A | Mark Bingman 208-382-7422 mbingman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Special use renewal for a group water systems on the Emmett Ranger District. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Emmett Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise, Valley. Water Developments on the Emmett Ranger District in the Middle Fork Payette River , North Fork Payette River, and South Fork Payette River drainages. | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Idaho City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | R4 - Intermountain Region | | |
| 49er Salvage CE | - Forest products | Cancelled | N/A | N/A | John Wallace 208-392-3754 jdwallace@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The 49er Salvage project would remove blown down, snapped off and insect infected trees on approximately 20 acres. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Section 24 of T 7 N R 4 E. Project is located approximately 2.5 miles northwest of Centerville, Id off FS 349 rd. | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Idaho City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Becker Vegetation Management EA | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management | Developing Proposal Est. Notice of Initiation 07/2013 | Expected:10/2014 | 04/2015 | Michael Feiger 208-392-6681 mfeiger@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Vegetation management in a 15,000-acre project area. The project will involve prescribed burning, commercial harvest and non-commercial tree thinning. Road construction and road decommissioning will be associated activities. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Sections 14,15, 21-36, of T8N, R7E, Sections 19,30, of T8N, R8E, and Sections 1-6 of T7N, R7E. North of Idaho City in the Edna Creek, China Fork, and Beaver Creek drainages. | | | | |
| Belshazzar Plan of Operation EA | - Minerals and Geology | Developing Proposal Est. Notice of Initiation 04/2013 | Expected:03/2014 | 07/2014 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent would remove roughly 30,000 cubic yards of mineral material from five waste dumps and process material to extract precious metals. The waste dumps were left from the old Belshazzar Mine and will be processed on nearby private lands. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Boise County, Township 7N Range 4E Sections 17, 18, Boise Meridian. Access to the project site is roughly 5 miles from Placerville, ID via FS 343 and 343b roads. | | | | |
| C & W Placer Exploration CE *NEW LISTING* | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Scoping Start 03/07/2013 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:07/2013 | 07/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent would utilize a Skid Steer to extract sand and gravel and process it through a high banker (sluice box) to extract precious metals | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=41500 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Boise County, Township 5N Range 4E Section 9, Boise Meridian. The proposed project is located roughly eight miles southwest of Idaho City, ID. The project site is 100 yards upstream from the Macks Creek bridge on lower Grimes Creek about 3 miles from Highway 21. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Idaho City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Crooked Bear Sapling Thinning Project CE | - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) | Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2013 | Expected:06/2013 | 07/2013 | Lance Ellison 208-392-6681 lellison@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Precommercial thinning project on about 8,900 acres of young overstocked plantation and naturally regenerated timber stands within the 1993 Rabbit Creek Burn Area. Thinned trees would generally be less than 15 feet tall with slash left on site. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T7N & 8N, R 8E & 9E. North Fork Boise River Drainage - Lower Bear River, Upper Bear River, Upper Crooked River, and Taylor-Lodgepole 6th Field HUCs. | | | | |
| Cumo Exploration Project (previously listed as Cumo 2007 Project) EA | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Notice of Initiation 01/31/2013 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 05/2013 | Expected:10/2013 Actual: 02/11/2011 | 11/2013 | Randy Hayman 208-373-4157 rhayman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Minerals exploration. Proposal is to drill 256 new exploratory holes to retrieve core samples. Project will involve construction of about 13.3 miles of new temporary road and use of about 4.7 miles existing unauthorized road as temporary road. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=21302 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T8N R6E, Sections 7,8,17,18,19 and 20. Three miles northeast of Grimes Pass in Boise County Idaho. | | | | | |
| Daltons Delight Placer Exploration CE *NEW LISTING* | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Scoping Start 03/07/2013 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:05/2013 | 08/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent would utilize a mini-excavator to extract sand and gravel and process it through a trommel to extract precious metals | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=41502 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - The legal land description is Boise County, Township 7N Range 6E Section 19, Boise Meridian. The proposed project is located roughly six miles northeast of Idaho City, ID. The project site is located within the Elk Creek watershed with access from Forest Service 379A road. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Idaho City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Fall Creek Placer Exploration CE | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Scoping Start 02/20/2013 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:05/2013 | 08/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent will utilize an excavator to remove sand and gravel and utilize a trommel to extract precious metals | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40854 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Boise County, Township 7N Range 4E Section 6, Boise Meridian. Access to site is at the end FS 307E1 road roughly 2 miles from Placerville, ID. | | | | | |
| La Familia Placer Exploration CE | - Minerals and Geology | Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2013 | Expected:06/2013 | 09/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proposed operation is to utilize a mini-excavator to extract sand and gravel and utilize a highbanker to extract precious metals. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Boise County, Township 7N Range 4E Sections 15,16,22, Boise Meridian. Access to site is available from FS 307E1 roughly 2 miles west of Placerville, ID. | | | | |
| Old China Placer Exploration CE | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Scoping Start 02/20/2013 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:05/2013 | 08/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent will utilize a mini-excavator to extract sand and gravel and process it through a trommel to extract precious metals | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40851 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Boise County, Township 7N Range 4E Section 11, Boise Meridian. Operation site is approximately 400 yds up from confluence with Wool Cr. on the north side of China Fork Creek. Access is off FS 615AB road roughly 2 miles north of Placerville. | | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Idaho City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| Ophir Salvage CE | - Forest products | Cancelled | N/A | N/A | John Wallace 208-392-3754 jdwallace@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The Ophir Salvage project would remove blown down, snapped off and insect infected trees on approximately 4 acres. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Sections 5 & 8 of T 7 N R 5 E. Project is located approximtely 2 miles north of Centerville, Id on FS 381E, in the Ophir Creek drainage. | | | | |
| Rewards Placer Exploration CE | - Minerals and Geology | In Progress: Scoping Start 02/20/2013 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013 | Expected:05/2013 | 08/2013 | Chad Hood 208-392-3719 cchood@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The operator will use a mini-excavator or similar size equipment to excavate sand and gravel and process it in a self-contained unit to extract precious metals. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40847 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - The project is located in Boise County, Township 6N Range 6E Sections 5 and 6, Boise Meridian. The operation site is located along Illinois Gulch Creek. Access is off FS 314E road roughly 5 miles northeast of Idaho City. | | | | | |
| Wildcat Salvage CE | - Forest products | Cancelled | N/A | N/A | John Wallace 208-392-3754 jdwallace@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The Wildcat Salvage project would remove blown down, snapped off and insect infected trees on approximately 4 acres. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Idaho City Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - Section 25 of T 5 N, R 4 E. Project is located approximately 6 miles southwest of Idaho City, Id. Project area is located on FS 311, approximately 1 north mile from the confluence of Grimes and Mores Creek. | | | | |

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| Boise National Forest Lowman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | R4 - Intermountain Region |
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| Boise National Forest Lowman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) | | | | | R4 - Intermountain Region |
| 579 Roadside Hazard Project CE | - Forest products - Fuels management | In Progress: Scoping Start 11/28/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2013 | Expected:06/2013 | 08/2013 | Sarah Fischer 208-259-3361 sfischer@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: All dead and imminently dead large trees greater than or equal to 7 inches dbh within 160 feet of National Forest System (NFS) road 579 would be cut and removed. All trees less than 5 inches dbh would be felled and burned. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40709 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - T13N, R7E, Sections 27, 34, & 36, T13N, R8E, Sections 31 & 32, T12N, R 7E, Sections 1 & 2, T12N, R8E, Sections 5 & 6. The project area encompasses an estimated 250 acres in the Deer Creek drainage along NFS rd 579, roughly five miles northeast of Deadwood Reservoir. | | | | | |
| Clear Creek Integrated Project EA | - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management | In Progress: Notice of Initiation 11/15/2011 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 05/2013 | Expected:10/2013 | 11/2013 | John Kidd 208-374-5422 jkidd@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This collaborative project proposes vegetation restoration, fuel reduction in WUI areas, mountain bike trail construction, road closures/decommissioning and aquatic organism passage elements within a 22,850 acre project area. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=37159 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. Lower Clear Creek subwatershed, immediately north of Lowman , ID. | | | | | |
| Lowman WUI Corridor EA | - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management | Developing Proposal Est. Notice of Initiation 04/2013 | Expected:11/2013 | 05/2014 | Rebecca Swenson 208-259-3361 rjswenson@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project proposes fuels reduction in and around the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) and vegetation restoration through prescribed fire treatments on approximately 6,000 acres. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. The project is located adjacent to the community of Lowman along the S. Fork of the Payette River and also includes the Miller Mountain drainage. | | | | |

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| Outfitter and Guide Special Use Renewals CE *NEW LISTING* | - Special use management | Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2013 | Expected:09/2013 | 09/2013 | Mark Bingman 208-382-7422 mbingman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Special use renewals for the following outfitter and guides: Wilderness Awareness SNA Adventures Sawtooth Outfitters Deadwood Outfitters and Guide | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. Wilderness Awareness, SNA Adventures, Sawtooth Outfitters, Deadwood Outfitters and Guide. | | | | |
| Wapiti Blue Stewardship Project EA | - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management | On Hold | N/A | N/A | John Kidd 208-374-5422 jkidd@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: 4,600 ac of treatments designed for veg. restoration and fuel reduction (including defensible space around Wapiti, Bear & Camp Cr summer homes and Hanging Valley) and 6 mi of unclass. rd decom | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=29378 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T9 N - 10N , R10E, T 9N- 10N , R11E. Wapiti 5th HUC watershed, along Hwy 21 and SF Payette River, 1 mi south of Grandjean Recreational complex. | | | | | |
| Water Systems Special Use Permit Renewal - Group 2 CE | - Special use management | Completed | Actual: 03/27/2013 | 03/2013 | John Kidd 208-374-5422 jkidd@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Special use permit renewal for 8 water systems on the Lowman Ranger District within the SF Payette River Corridor including systems on Richards Creek, Kirkham Creek, Wapiti Creek, Long Creek, 2 systems on Dustman Creek and 2 systems on Fence Cr. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=38940 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Lowman Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - 8 locations within the SF Payette River Corridor. Eight separate water systems on small streams scattered along the SF Payette River corridor from the junction of Highway 21 and the Banks-Lowman Rd east to the Grandjean area. | | | | | |

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| Avelene Salvage Project CE | - Forest products | Completed | Actual: 03/15/2013 | 06/2013 | Joshua Newman 208-587-7961 jnewman@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: Commercial timber harvest of 200 acres of dead and dying trees resulting from the Avelene Fire. Harvest activities would utilize ground based logging. No new permanent or temporary roads construction/reconstruction would occur with this project. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40634 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boise. LEGAL - T5N, R4E, Sections 21, 22, 27, and 28. The project is located about sixteen miles northeast of Boise, Idaho in Boise County within the Grimes Creek drainage. Clear Creek subdivision is located immediately adjacent to the project area. | | | | | |
| Featherville Sheep and Goat Allotment EA | - Grazing management | In Progress: Notice of Initiation 03/23/2012 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2013 | Expected:09/2013 | 05/2014 | Holly Myers 208-587-7961 hamyers@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: This project will evaluate current livestock management on the Featherville Sheep and Goat (S&G) Allotment and proposes to authorize continued livestock grazing on approximately 142,800 acres of National Forest System land. | | | | |
| | Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=8867 | | | | |
| Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Elmore. LEGAL - T2N, R8E-11E; T3N, R8-11E;; T4N, R8-10E; T5N, R8-11E; T6N, R9-11E. The allotment lies within the South Fork Boise River drainage above Anderson Ranch Dam, the Middle Fork Boise River drainage, and Anderson Ranch Reservoir drainage. | | | | | |
| Henry Clay Mineral Project CE | - Minerals and Geology | Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2013 | Expected:09/2013 | 05/2014 | Casey Watson 208-587-7961 x 7171 cwatson02@fs.fed.us |
| | Description: The proponent proposes to conduct minerals exploration activities to acquire detailed geologic data within the Henry Clay mineral claims group to determine the extent of the mineral resources. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Elmore. LEGAL - Portions of Sections 17, 18, and 20, Township 7 North, Range 4 East, Boise Meridian. The Henry Clay mineral claims are located between Featherville and Rocky Bar, Idaho. | | | | |

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| Idaho Power Smith Prairie Permit Renewal (Formerly Idaho Power Dixie 31 Special Use Permit) | - Special use management | On Hold | N/A | N/A | Scott Bodle 208-587-7961 ext. 7149 sbodle@fs.fed.us |
| CE | Description: Idaho Power has submitted an application to renew the special use authorization for the Smith Prairie (Dixie 31) powerline. | | | | |
| | Location: UNIT - Mountain Home Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Elmore. Portions of the Idaho Power Dixie 31 Powerline located on the Mountain Home Ranger District. | | | | |

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