



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2022 to 03/31/2022

### Idaho Panhandle National Forest

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#### Projects Occurring Nationwide

<b>Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A.</b> EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The U.S. Department of Agriculture proposes revisions to its regulations at 36 CFR 228, Subpart A governing locatable minerals operations on National Forest System lands. A draft EIS & proposed rule should be available for review/comment in late 2020				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations apply to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the US mining laws. More Information is available at: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions">https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions</a> .				

#### Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

<b>Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Comprehensive Plan</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management - Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2023	Expected:08/2023	01/2024	Becky Blanchard 503-808-2449 becky.blanchard@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> The Comprehensive Plan will develop administrative and management objectives and practices and desired conditions for the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail on public lands in Forest Service Regions 1 and Regions 6.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52259">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52259</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Glacier View Ranger District, Mt Baker Ranger District, Bonners Ferry Ranger District, Fortine Ranger District, Three Rivers Ranger District, Three Rivers Ranger District, Republic Ranger District, Tonasket Ranger District, Methow Valley Ranger District, Sullivan Lake Ranger District, Olympic National Forest All Units, Priest Lake Ranger District, Rexford Ranger District. STATE - Idaho, Montana, Washington. COUNTY - Bonner, Boundary, Flathead, Glacier, Lincoln, Clallam, Ferry, Island, Jefferson, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Skagit, Stevens, Whatcom. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The trail begins at the Continental Divide in Glacier National Park and travels 1,200 miles through 7 National Forests, 3 National Parks, BLM, state, tribal, municipal and private lands in MT, ID, WA.					

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<b>R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)</b>					
<b>Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Comprehensive Plan</b> EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2019	Expected:11/2020	12/2020	Matthew McGrath 503-808-2405 mtmcgrath@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The Comprehensive Plan will develop administrative and management goals, objectives and practices for public lands in Forest Service Regions 1 and Regions 6.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52259">https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52259</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Glacier View Ranger District, Bonners Ferry Ranger District, Fortine Ranger District, Three Rivers Ranger District, Priest Lake Ranger District, Rexford Ranger District. STATE - Idaho, Montana. COUNTY - Bonner, Boundary, Flathead, Glacier, Lincoln. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The trail begins at the Continental Divide in Glacier National Park and travels 1,200 miles through 7 National Forests, 3 National Parks, BLM, state, tribal, municipal and private lands in MT, ID, WA.					

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>IPNF Noxious Weed Treatment Project</b> EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Karl Dekome 208-765-7479 kdekome@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Management of non-native invasive plant species utilizing herbicides, biological control agents, cultural and mechanical methods for weed control.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36183">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36183</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Idaho Panhandle National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho, Montana, Washington. COUNTY - Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Kootenai, Latah, Shoshone, Lincoln, Sanders, Pend Oreille. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various locations across the forest.					

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>	<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
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<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Kaniksu Over-snow Vehicle Travel Plan</b> EA	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Elysia Retzlaff 541-822-7214 elysiamretzlaff@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Designate routes and areas for over-snow vehicle use on the three northern ranger districts (Kaniksu) of the IPNF. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53091">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53091</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Sandpoint Ranger District, Bonners Ferry Ranger District, Priest Lake Ranger District. STATE - Idaho, Montana, Washington. COUNTY - Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai, Lincoln, Sanders, Pend Oreille. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sandpoint, Bonners Ferry, and Priest Lake Ranger Districts on the Idaho Panhandle National Forest.				

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Bonners Ferry Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>				<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Westside Restoration Project</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 10/28/2021	11/2021	Jennifer Anderson 208-267-6749 jlanderson02@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Vegetation management activities including timber harvest, road construction, prescribed burning, tree planting and recreation improvements. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56888">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56888</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bonners Ferry Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Boundary. LEGAL - Numerous Sections in T62N, R1W and T62N, R2W; also T61N, R1W Sections 2-11, 14 and 15; T61N, R2W Sections 1, 2, 4, 9, 10, 12, 14-16 and 22; and T60N, R2W Sections 2, 11, 12, 13 and 24 B.M. Includes the Cascade, Myrtle, Snow, and Caribou Creek drainages from Burton Peak to Roman Nose, as well as lands in the vicinity of Dodge Peak and White Mountain.				

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Fernan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>				<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
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<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Fernan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R1 - Northern Region</b>					
<b>Goonies Gold Exploration Project</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2021	Expected:01/2022	05/2022	Niranjan Walters 2087657223 Niranjan.Walters@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> The proposed project would include the excavation of 10 exploratory trenches, 20' x 20', on the claim, the removal of the excavated material to an off-site location for testing and then backfilling and reclaiming each trench once testing is complete.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60984">https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60984</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Fernan Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Shoshone. LEGAL - T49N, R4E, Section 10. The claim is located on the southeast corner of the junction of Beaver Creek Road and Kings Pass Road, in the SW4 of Section 10, T49N, R4E, B.M.					
<b>Honey Badger Project</b> EA	- Recreation management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 07/20/2021	Expected:10/2021	09/2022	Kerry Arneson 208-769-3021 kerry.arneson@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Project will be designed to improve ecological/social conditions, including but not limited to improved forest health, reduced potential for high-intensity wildfires, improved watershed conditions, and sustainable recreation opportunities.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56220">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56220</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Fernan Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Kootenai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is situated in the frontage country east of the Highway 95 corridor through Kootenai County, from northeast of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho to just southeast of Bayview, Idaho.					
<b>Oregon Gulch Exploratory Placer Plan of Operations</b> EA	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	James Gebhardt 208-765-7382 james.gebhardt@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Project would construct 0.65 mile trail within the decommissioned portion of FSR 152. The trail would be 60 inch to allow ATV/UTV access to claim sites. Prospecting activities would include excavating approximately 40 cy/year on four active claims.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Fernan Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Shoshone. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Trail construction activities would be located at the lower portion of the East Fork of Eagle Creek. Prospecting activities would be conducted in Sections 19 & 30, T50N, R5E.				

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<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Fernan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Rosie Cedar</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 10/29/2021	Expected:05/2022	10/2023	Chandra Neils 208-765-7248 chandra.neils@usda.gov
<b>Description:</b> The project seeks to improve forest health conditions and provide timber products to support the local economy. Review tabs below for more details about the project and <a href="https://usfs-public.app.box.com/s/v8mfub27gpvh5oimb2wurmd5y5endb0c">https://usfs-public.app.box.com/s/v8mfub27gpvh5oimb2wurmd5y5endb0c</a>					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58938">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58938</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Fernan Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Kootenai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located along the south side of the Interstate 90 corridor between Highway 97 and Highway 3 in Kootenai County, Idaho on the Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District.					

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Sandpoint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Chloride Gold</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2021	Expected:11/2022	09/2023	Douglas Nishek 208-267-6765 douglas.nishek@usda.gov
<b>Description:</b> Project will be designed to improve ecological/social conditions, including but not limited to improved forest health, reduced potential for high-intensity wildfires, improved watershed conditions, and sustainable recreation opportunities.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60856">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60856</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Sandpoint Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Bonner, Kootenai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project area includes drainages that flow into Lake Pend Oreille from the Fall Creek watershed in the north and extending south to the Sawpit Creek. Also a small area in the head of Declaration Ck.					

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<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest Sandpoint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>		<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>			
<b>City of Spirit Lake Townsite Act Conveyance</b> EA *NEW LISTING*	- Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2021	Expected:02/2023	05/2023	Patti Turecek 303-567-3011 Patricia.Turecek@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Convey a parcel of NFS lands to the City of Spirit Lake, comprising 158.74 acres, through the authority of the Townsite Act. The lands would be sold at fair market value based on a real estate appraisal.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Sandpoint Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Bonner. LEGAL - SE <sub>4</sub> of section 30, T. 54 N., R. 4 W, Boise Meridian, Bonner County, Idaho. SE <sub>4</sub> of section 30, T. 54 N., R. 4 W, Boise Meridian, Bonner County, Idaho.				
<b>City of Spirit Lake Townsite Act Conveyance</b> EA *UPDATED*	- Land acquisition	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2021	Expected:02/2022	05/2022	Patti Turecek 303-567-3011 pturecek@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Convey an isolated parcel of NFS lands to the City of Spirit Lake, comprising 158.74 acres, through the authority of the Townsite Act. The land conveyance would enable the City to acquire land adjacent to its current wastewater treatment site.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59311">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59311</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Sandpoint Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Bonner. LEGAL - SE <sub>4</sub> of section 30, T. 54 N., R. 4 W, Boise Meridian. Two miles north of the City of Spirit Lake, north of State Highway 41 and west of the Spirit Lake Cutoff Road.					

<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest St. Maries Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>		<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>			
<b>Lacy Lemoosh</b> EA	- Forest products - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:09/2022	10/2022	Ben Timchak 208-245-6071 Benjamin.Timchak@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Vegetation management activities, including timber harvest, road construction, prescribed burning and tree planting.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60853">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60853</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - St. Maries Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Benewah. LEGAL - T43N, R3W, Sec 12,13, 24 BM. T43N, R2W, Sec 1,2,4,7,9-28,34-36 BM. T43N, R1W, Sec 6,7,17-20, 29-32 BM. The project area is located south of Emida, Idaho in the Charlie Creek drainage.					

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<b>Idaho Panhandle National Forest</b>	<b>Wallace Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>				<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Character Fire Salvage</b> EA  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 11/19/2021	Expected:07/2022	07/2022	Kerry Arneson 208-769-3021 kerry.arneson@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> The effect of the Character Fire resulted in a need to recover economic value of forest products in a timely manner, reduce hazards threatening human health and safety, and re-establish forested conditions outlined in the Forest Plan.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61090">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61090</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Wallace Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Kootenai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is generally located north of Interstate 90 and south of the North Fork Coeur d'Alene River, east of Character Ridge and west of Prichard Creek/Kings Pass, in Shoshone County, ID.				

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