



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2022 to 03/31/2022

### Custer Gallatin 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> .					

#### Custer Gallatin National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

**R1 - Northern Region**

<b>Custer Gallatin Forest Plan Revision</b> EIS  *UPDATED*	- Land management planning	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 07/09/2020 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/2022	Expected:01/2022	02/2022	Mariah Leuschen 406-587-6735 mariah.leuschen@usda.gov
<b>Description:</b> The Custer Gallatin National Forest is undergoing Forest Plan Revision. The Forest Plan is a comprehensive overarching document that guides forest management, use, and protection providing broad direction, standards and guidelines for years to come.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50185">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50185</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Custer Gallatin National Forest All Units. STATE - Montana, South Dakota. COUNTY - Carbon, Carter, Gallatin, Madison, Meagher, Park, Powder River, Rosebud, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Harding. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Custer Gallatin National Forest.					

#### Custer Gallatin National Forest Ashland Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)

**R1 - Northern Region**

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Ashland Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Ash Creek Restoration and Resiliency Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 12/02/2021	01/2022	Todd Erdody 406-587-6706 todd.erdody@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Restore and improve resiliency in forested and non-forested ecosystems within the Ash Creek Fire and other fires that have occurred within the last 25 to 30 years from Highway 212 to the northern most boundary of the Ashland Ranger District.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57357">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57357</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ashland Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powder River. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bounded on the west, north and east by the Ashland district boundary and on the southwest by US Highway 212 and the 3 Mile project boundary and southeast by roads 4467 and 47853.					
<b>Range Telephone 10 Mile Road Fiber upgrade</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/29/2021	Expected:04/2022	04/2022	Ronald Hecker 701-842-2393 rhecker@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Range Telephone proposes to install fiber optic cable along approximately 3.16 miles of the 10 mile road. 2.8 miles of this work will be within existing Range Telephone right-of-way and a new right-of-way will be established for .36 miles (20') width				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ashland Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powder River. LEGAL - T. 4 S., R. 46 E., Sec. 31, 32, 33; T. 5 S., R. 46 E., Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4. Southeast of Ashland, MT east of Highway 484 on the 10 Mile Road.				
<b>South Otter Landscape Restoration and Resilience Project</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/13/2021 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2022	Expected:09/2022	09/2022	Daniel Piiley 4065876892 Daniel.Piiley@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> The proposed project is to help restore and maintain the structure, function, composition and ecological connectivity of the forest landscape in order to increase resiliency to future natural disturbance events like wildfire, insects, and disease.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58396">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58396</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ashland Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powder River, Rosebud. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area lies in Powder River and Rosebud Counties, bounded on the east, west, and south by the district boundary and on the northeast by Ten Mile Road and northwest by district boundary.					

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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Beartooth Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Stillwater Mining Company 21.9E Vent Raise Geotechnical Drilling Plan of Operations</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 11/05/2021	06/2022	Dan Seifert 406-446-4520 Daniel.Seifert@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Geotechnical drilling at one site to evaluate whether the proposed project location is suitable for a future ventilation raise				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60760">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60760</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Beartooth Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Stillwater. LEGAL - T05 S, R16 E, NW 1/4 , Section 30. Immediately west of the Forest Service Road #2414 (Benbow Road) and approximately 4.5 miles Southeast of Nye, Montana.					

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Bozeman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Hyalite Shooting Restriction</b> CE	- Regulations, Directives, Orders - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Corey Lewellen 406-522-2531 corey.lewellen@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Prohibition on discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun within the Hyalite Drainage.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bozeman Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Hyalite Drainage approximately 13 miles south of Bozeman, Montana.				

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Gardiner Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Gardiner Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Buffalo Creek Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout (YCT) Conservation Project</b> EA <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/23/2021	Expected:07/2022	08/2022	Clint Sestrich 406-823-6985 csestrich@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP), Custer Gallatin National Forest (CGNF) are jointly proposing to restore native Yellowstone cutthroat trout to the Buffalo Creek drainage in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59630">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59630</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Gardiner Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - T 8S, R 12E (sections 4, 5, 7-10, 16-20, 28-30, 31-33); T 9S, R 12E (sections 4-9, 16-18, PB38, PB-40, PB-42); T 8S, R 11E (sections 13, 24, 25, 36); T 9S, R 11E (sections 1, 12, 13, 14, PB45, PB47). Buffalo Creek is a tributary to Slough Creek approximately 20 miles East of Gardiner, Montana.					
<b>Cooke City Fuels and Forest Health Project</b> EA <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Ashley Sites 208-926-8952 ashleysites@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Reduce the fire intensity risk within the wildland urban interface surrounding Cooke City and Silver Gate. While also increasing forest resiliency to insect and disease infestation.					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Gardiner Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - T 09 S, R 14 E Sections 2, 11-15, 23-27, 34-36 and T 09 S, R 15 E, Sections 6, 7, 17-22, 28-30, 33-34 Montana and Idaho Principal and Boise Meridians. In the area of Silvergate and Cooke City Montana.					
<b>Park County Federal Roads and Trails Act(FRTA) Easement</b> CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Michael Thom 208-443-6839 mthom@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Grant a FRTA easement on a segment of Palmer Creek Road(approx 1.35 miles)and Sin Nombre Road(approx .58 miles). County would seek abandonment on nearby redundant historical county ROW on Crevice Mtn Rd 3231. The change provides a sustainable route.					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Gardiner Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - T. 9 S., R. 9 E., Sections 15, 16, 21, 22. Approximately 7 miles East-northeast of Gardiner, MT.					

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Hebgen Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Hebgen Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Hebgen Basin Fire District-Station Development</b> CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jason Brey 406-823-6961 jbrey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposed action is to authorize, through a special use permit, the construction, operation, and maintenance of a Fire Station for a single fire engine to enhance and extend coverage for wildland fire response by the Hebgen Basin Fire District.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58664">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58664</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hebgen Lake Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Township 12 South, Range 4 East, Section 5. Adjacent to HWY 287 approx. mile marker 13. . The site is on US-287, approximately 8.5 miles west of the intersection of US-287 and US-191, on the north side of the highway across from Hebgen Lake.					
<b>Mittelstaedt Private Property Access Request</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/02/2021	Expected:03/2022	04/2022	Adam McClory 208-875-1734 adam.mcclory@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Request for motorized access to private property adjacent to Hebgen Lake in T. 12 S., R. 5 E., Sec. 18, approximately 425' x 40'. Road would be improved into gravel surface for year-round vehicular travel.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59319">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59319</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hebgen Lake Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - T. 12 S., R. 5 E., Sec. 18. Located on the East side of Hebgen Lake, approx. 7 mi. north east of West Yellowstone, off Forest Service Road 6805.					
<b>South Plateau Area Landscape Treatment Project</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/16/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2022	Expected:10/2022	11/2022	Amee Rief 406-823-6975 Amee.Rief@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Intermediate and regeneration harvest to reduce the risk or extent of and increase the resiliency to insect and disease infestation while providing wood products to local mills. Reduce fuels to increase fire suppression effectiveness and safety.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57353">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57353</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hebgen Lake Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Sections within T14S, R 44E, T14S, R45E, T15S, R44E and T15S, R45ENational Forest System lands. The project is located south and southwest of West Yellowstone, Montana near South Plateau.					

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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Yellowstone Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>				<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>East Paradise Allotment Management Plan</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 12/09/2021	01/2022	Chauntelle Rock 406-222-1892 chauntelle.rock@usda.gov
<b>Description:</b> This is to study six open grazing allotments and determine if reauthorization of grazing is warranted					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41485">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41485</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Yellowstone Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Yellowstone Ranger District, south of I-90 each of Hwy. 89 S. Grazing allotments: Suce Cr C&H, 6-Mile Cr S. C&H, Mill Creek C&H, Pine Cr C&H, Elbow C&H.					

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