



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2023 to 12/31/2023

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214				
	Location: 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: https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions .				
Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land. EIS *UPDATED*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/11/2022 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/2023	Expected: 09/2023	01/2024	Laura Conway 406-802-4317 laura.conway@usda.gov
	Description: Programmatic Supplemental EIS for the Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60450				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The direction in the SEIS will apply to use of aerially delivered fire retardant on all National Forest System land.				

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

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Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)					
Amendments to Land Management Plans Regarding Sage-grouse Conservation EIS	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/02/2019	Expected:12/2020	01/2021	John Shivik 801-625-5667 johnnashivik@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is considering amending its land management plans to address new and evolving issues arising since implementing sage-grouse plans in 2015. This project is in cooperation with the USDI Bureau of Land Management.				
	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r4/home/?cid=stelprd3843381				
	Location: UNIT - Ashley National Forest All Units, Boise National Forest All Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest All Units, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest All Units, Dixie National Forest All Units, Fishlake National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest All Units, Manti-La Sal National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache All Units. STATE - Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming. COUNTY - Jackson, Moffat, Routt, Adams, Blaine, Bonneville, Camas, Caribou, Cassia, Elmore, Fremont, Madison, Churchill, Clark, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lincoln, Nye, Pershing, Washoe, White Pine, Beaver, Box Elder, Cache, Carbon, Daggett, Davis, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Morgan, Piute, Rich, Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Summit, Tooele, Uintah, Utah, Wasatch, Washington, Wayne, Weber, Platte, Sublette, Teton, Weston, Albany, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Crook, Laramie, Lincoln, Natrona, Niobrara. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sagebrush lands in National Forests of Nevada, Utah, southern Idaho, southwest Montana, southwest & south-central Wyoming and northern Colorado.				

R2 - Rocky Mountain Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
<div>Powerline Authorization for Black Hills Power Corporation</div> <div>CE</div> <div>*UPDATED*</div>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/28/2022	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Special use authorization for existing 230-kV and 69-kV electrical powerlines, including Wyodak-Hot Springs and Tekla-Osage-Rapid City lines.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61935				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District, Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - South Dakota, Wyoming. COUNTY - Custer, Fall River, Weston. LEGAL - T46N R63W and others. Thunder Basin NG and Black Hills NF.				

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)	R2 - Rocky Mountain Region
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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
Britania Land Exchange CE *UPDATED*	- Land ownership management - Land acquisition	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/31/2023	Expected:11/2023	11/2023	Robert Robertson 307-358-4690 robert.robertson@usda.gov
	Description: Land-for-land exchange proposal Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63414				
	Location: UNIT - Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District, Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany, Carbon. LEGAL - Sec. 28, 33, 34 T25N R71W. Sec. 3, 4, 8 T24N R71W. Sec. 28, 29 T26N R72W. Sec. 26 T28N R71W. Mineral Survey No. 362 T14N R86W. 6th Principal Meridian. Medicine Bow National Forest, Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District and Douglas Ranger District.				
High Alpine Seasonal Road Closure Extensions CE	- Recreation management - Watershed management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2023	Expected:12/2023	06/2024	Lucie Law 307-745-2339 Lucie.Law@usda.gov
	Description: Extend the seasonal wheeled-motorized vehicle closure dates or locations on several high alpine roads. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59222				
	Location: UNIT - Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District, Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany, Carbon. LEGAL - T16N R80W, T17N R80W, T16N R79W and T15N R79W. Laramie RD and Brush Creek-Hayden RD.				

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest		Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Mill Creek Ranch - Small Tracts Act Conveyance CE	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/16/2014	Expected:08/2023	09/2023	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: Land interchange between the Forest Service and Mill Creek Ranch under the Small Tracts Act. Each entity will convey 5 acres and acquire 5 acres. Project will resolve boundary line issues related to discrepancies found in the original land surveys. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59234				
	Location: UNIT - Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Carbon. LEGAL - NW1/4 Section 23, 14 N., 87 W., 6th P.M., Carbon County, WY. The Mill Creek Ranch private inholding is located at the end of NFSR 822 (Aspen Road). The five acres to be conveyed is located on the north-east boundary of the property.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest District) Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
West Fork Battle Creek Watershed Plan EIS	- Land ownership management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 12/28/2022 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/2023	Expected:06/2024	07/2024	Jessica Vogt 000-000-0000 Jessica.Vogt@usda.gov
	Description: Evaluating a proposal to exchange about 1,762 acres of USFS-managed lands with up to about 4,400 acres managed by the State of Wyoming. Part of a larger NRCS-led project that could include a new reservoir, partly on lands currently managed by USFS.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63355				
	Location: UNIT - Brush Creek/Hayden Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Carbon. LEGAL - T14N, R87W, Sec. 36; T14N, R86W, Sec. 31; T13N, R87W, Secs. 1, 2, and 12; and T13N, R86W, Section 6. Federal parcel in the Sierra Madre range, near WY State Hwy 70 and West Fork Battle Creek, about 19 west of Encampment and 28 miles east of Baggs. State parcels scattered across the Sierra Madre.				

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Amendment to Special Use Authorization for Telecommunication Line (R T COMMCTNS INC) CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/05/2020	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Right-of-way to install a buried telecommunication conduit and connect to an existing telecommunication line to provide service to a nearby customer.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59083				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Weston. LEGAL - Sec 7 T44N R64W. Sec. 7 T44N R64W.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Charybdis 3D Seismic Survey Phase 2 CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	James McKay 307-358-4690 james.mckay@usda.gov
	Description: Geophysical 3-D seismic survey. Proponent is Devon Energy. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57566				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - Townships 37, 38, 39 N Ranges 67, 68, 69 W. 40 Miles NE of Douglas. Headwaters of Cheyenne River, Cow Creek, Rat Creek, Dry Creek, Lightening Creek. Thunder Basin NG.				
Converse County Oil and Gas Project EIS *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: FEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/31/2020	Expected:12/2023	12/2023	Kyle Schumacher (307) 358-4690 Kyle.Schumacher@usda.gov
	Description: Oil and natural gas exploration and development. Approximately 4 percent of project area is on Thunder Basin NG. The lead agency of the EIS is the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service is a cooperating agency. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44124				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - Townships 32 through 40 North, Ranges 67 through 76 West, 6th Principal Meridian. Northern portion of Converse County, north of Interstate Highway 25. Thunder Basin National Grassland.				
Cow Creek, Deer Creek, and Devil's Pass Habitat Improvement CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Tim Byer 307-358-4690 timothy.byer@usda.gov
	Description: Integrated vegetation management, migratory bird habitat improvement, hand crew work in roadless area. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64405				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Sec 15, 22 T26N R73W. Sec 13, 24 T28N R74W; Sec 18, 19 T28N R73W. Sec 31 T30N R76W. Between Sugarloaf Mtn. and Cow Cr. Mtn. access NFS Road 637. Deer Creek south of Gunnysack Peak access by NFS Road 659 and Trail 659. Devil's Pass area south LaBonte Cr./S. Fork access Trail 635.				

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Deer Creek Wildlife Habitat Improvement CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Tim Byer 307-358-4690 timothy.byer@usda.gov
	Description: Integrated vegetation management, migratory bird habitat improvement, hand crew work in roadless area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64406				
Friend Park and Round Mountain Vegetation Management CE *UPDATED*	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - T30N R76W Sec. 31. Laramie Mountains, along Deer Creek south of Gunnysack Peak, access by NFS Road 659 and Trail 659.				
	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2023	Expected:10/2023	11/2023	Nicholas Collard 307-358-4690 nicholas.collard@usda.gov
	Description: Integrated vegetation management, fuels management, hand crew work in roadless area.				
Harris Park Vegetation Management CE *UPDATED*	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64403				
	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2023	Expected:10/2023	11/2023	Nicholas Collard 307-358-4690 nicholas.collard@usda.gov
	Description: Integrated vegetation management, fuels reduction, hand crew work in roadless area portion.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64404				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - T28N R71W Sec. 27, 34. North of Harris Park, in Soldier Creek watershed area, access by NFS Road 633 (Harris Park Road).				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Lonetree Creek Utility Special Uses CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Buried electric power and produced-water lines, for oil and gas operations, and co-located temporary surface water line. Proponent is Devon Energy.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56995				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - Sec. 17 T39N R71W. Thunder Basin NG, Lonetree Creek watershed.				
Mineral Material Area Expansion and Contract Re-issuance at North Antelope Rochelle Mine EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2023	Expected:12/2023	12/2023	James McKay 307-358-4690 james.mckay@usda.gov
	Description: Expansion of mineral material/scoria mining sites and re-issuance of mineral material sale contract to Peabody Powder River Mining, LLC.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59679				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Campbell. LEGAL - Sec 9, 10, 21 T41N R70W; Sec 18 T42N R69W; Sec 13, 14 T42N R70W. North Antelope Rochelle Mine area, and Thunder Basin NG.				
Powerlines to Oil Well Pads in Clareton Oil Field CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/11/2022	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Kyle Schumacher (307) 358-4690 Kyle.Schumacher@usda.gov
	Description: Installation of buried electrical power lines along National Forest System Road 1258 and spur roads, which are not open to motorized public travel, to serve oil well pads in the Clareton Oil Field.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62810				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Weston. LEGAL - Sec. 8 and 9 T42N R65W. 1 to 2 miles east of County route 7C, Bruce Road. Thunder Basin NG.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Removal of Trespass Pipeline CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/22/2020	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Authorization of a right-of-way and reclamation activities to remove a recently installed crude oil pipeline that was not in operation. The pipeline was initially misaligned onto a parcel of the national grassland.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58546				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Campbell. LEGAL - Sec. 7 and 8 T41N R72W. Southeast of Reno Flats between Little Bates Creek and Spring Creek, Thunder Basin NG.				
Renewal of Special Use Authorizations for RT Communications CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/22/2019	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Issuance of new special use authorizations for a new term to replace expired authorizations.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56510				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Weston, Campbell, Crook. LEGAL - T41N R71W, T42N R71W, T43N R71W, T43N R72W, T44N R69W, T44N R70W, T46N R63W, T47N R63W, T47N R64W, T47N R65W, T48N R65W, T48N R66W, 6th P.M. Thunder Basin NG.				
Right-of-way Including National Forest System Trail 635 to Access Private Land CE *UPDATED*	- Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/17/2022	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Provision for access to private land across national forest approximately 1,100 feet distance using existing routes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62781				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Section 25 T28N R74W. Medicine Bow NF; starting from National Forest System Road 610 (Devil's Pass Rd.) junction with Trail 635, proceeding northward approximately 1,000 feet.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Road Use Authorization and Right of Way for Non-system Road Connecting to County Road 34 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2022	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Commercial road use of existing non-system road connecting County Road 34 (Jenney Trail Road) with private land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63022				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - Sec. 27 T39N R73W. Between Jenney Trail Road and private land to the east in Section 27.				
Road Use Authorization for National Forest System Roads 925, 925.A, and 930 and Non-System Roads CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/08/2022	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Commercial road use and maintenance and right-of-way authorization of existing system and non-system roads.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63030				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Weston, Campbell. LEGAL - Sections 18, 19, 20, 29, and 32 T43N R68W, SEC. 1 AND 12 T43N R69W, SEC. 4, 8, 17, AND 31 T44N R68W, 6th P.M. NFSR 930 (Keeline Road) and other connecting roads, north of Highway 450.				
Road Use and Right-of-Way NFSR 1052 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/30/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Right-of-way for commercial road use for mineral development of Laramide Fed oil well, operation, improvements, and maintenance of National Forest System Road 1052, 1052.A, and other connected system or non-system road.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64719				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Campbell. LEGAL - Sec 5 T53N R69W, Sec 32 T54N R69W. Thunder Basin NG - Spring Creek Unit, Spring Creek watershed, south of York Road and York Ranch approx. 1 mile.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Road use and water line - Continental Natural Resources CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Commercial road and water line uses and operation. Proponent is Continental Natural Resources. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61299				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Converse. LEGAL - T38N R73W and T39N R73W; non-system road is located in Sec 27 T39N R73W. Thunder Basin NG.				
Special Use Authorization - Pipeline Right-of-Way - EOG Resources CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/18/2023	07/2023	Robena Downie 307-358-4690 Robena.Downie@usda.gov
	Description: Right-of-way with oil and gas and water pipelines and buried electric power line installation. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64329				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Campbell. LEGAL - Sec. 20, 21 T41N R72W. Thunder Basin NG, vicinity of Antelope Flat.				
Special Use Authorization Amendment at North Antelope Rochelle Mine EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/05/2023	Expected:10/2023	10/2023	James McKay 307-358-4690 james.mckay@usda.gov
	Description: Addition of 220 acres to special use area at NARM. Proponent is Peabody Powder River Mining, LLC. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63104				
	Location: UNIT - Douglas Ranger District and Thunder Basin National Grassland. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Campbell. LEGAL - T41N R69W, T41N R71W, T42N R69W, T42N R70W, T42N R71W. North Antelope Rochelle Mine.				

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest one District)	Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R2 - Rocky Mountain Region
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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Bears Ears Fuels Reduction and Restoration Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/15/2022	Expected:01/2024	07/2024	Kevin Thompson 970-638-4170 kevin.thompson@usda.gov
	Description: Reduce wildfire risk to the communities of Wilderness Ranch, Hitch Mountain, and Quaker Mountain and to the Elkhead Reservoir. To enhance efforts to protect watersheds and address threats to forest and rangeland health.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63970				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Moffat, Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The proposed project area is located on the Hahns Peak Bears Ears Ranger District of the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland in the state of Colorado.				
First Creek Wet Meadow Restoration Project CE *UPDATED*	- Special area management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Climate Change Adaptation	Completed	Actual: 06/29/2023	08/2023	Rick Henderson 970-870-2219 richard.henderson@usda.gov
	Description: The First Creek wet meadow restoration project would occur on approximately 1.5 miles of ephemeral stream in the project area. Work would include Zeedyk structures, one-rock dams and revegetating a small area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63868				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. California Park along Highway 80 in Routt County.				
Mad Rabbit Trails Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/12/2023	Expected:09/2023	10/2023	Brendan Kelly 970-827-5151 brendan.kelly@usda.gov
	Description: Proposed trails changes and/or new trails construction, mostly in the Rabbit Ears Pass and Rocky Peak areas.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50917				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mad Creek/Rocky Peak and Rabbit Ears areas.				

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Steamboat Ski Resort 2023 Improvement Projects CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/26/2023	07/2023	Don Dressler 970-827-5715 donald.dressler@usda.gov
	Description: Steamboat Resort intends to implement a previously approved project. This analysis addresses adjustments the permittee has requested.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64361				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Steamboat Resort in Steamboat Springs, CO.				
Walton Peak East Vegetation Management Project CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/19/2023	Expected:10/2023	06/2024	Samuel Hahn 970-870-2263 Samuel.Hahn@usda.gov
	Description: The project is designed as a response to the Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB) epidemic. It has been proposed to increase the pace of restoration and resiliency of National Forest System lands and further the goals of the Routt National Forest Plan.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64022				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located within the Red Dirt, Middle Yampa, and Grizzly Creek Geographic Areas of the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears and Yampa Ranger Districts in Routt County Colorado.				
Yampa Valley Electric Association, Inc. HBE140 Amendment #5 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/21/2023	08/2023	Kathleen Soulliere 970-870-2222 kathleen.soulliere@usda.gov
	Description: YVEA proposes to install, operate, and maintain buried utility lines and associated infrastructure within the Steamboat Ski Area permit boundary on the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District of the Routt National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64378				
	Location: UNIT - Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Sections 23 & 24, Township 6 North, Range 84 West, 6TH Principal Meridian, Routt County, Colorado. Steamboat Ski Resort Pioneer/Mahogany Ridge area on the Routt National Forest.				

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Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Laramie Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region					
Boswell Road Realignment CE *UPDATED*	- Road management	Completed	Actual: 07/31/2023	08/2023	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: Re-align approximately 450 feet of the Boswell Road (an Albany County Road), from private lands to lands managed by the US Forest Service and State of Wyoming, to simplify management and reduce potential conflicts. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62929				
	Location: UNIT - Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 35 miles southwest of Laramie, Wyoming, and immediately south of the community of WyoColo, Wyoming.				
Gold Nugget Plan of Operations for Mining Activities 23-24 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 08/07/2023	08/2023	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: Operator is proposing a placer mining claim operation on an unpatented mining claim owned by him. He proposes to continue with short term placer mining activities while working to develop long term mining operation plans.				
	Location: UNIT - Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Section 27, T. 14 N., R. 89 W., 6th P.M., Albany County, Wyoming.				
Paul Allred Plan of Operations for Mining Activities 23-24 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: The operator is proposing a placer mining operation on an unpatented mining claim owner by the operator. He will continue with short term placer mining activities and proposes to begin long term mining operations. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64558				
	Location: UNIT - Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Section 27, T. 14 N., R. 89 W., 6th P.M., Albany County, Wyoming. Section 27, T. 14 N., R. 89 W., 6th P.M., Albany County, Wyoming.				
Paul Anderson Reconnaissance Survey - Accessing Unpatented Mineral Claims CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: Reconnaissance survey and mapping in order to plan strategies for accessing mining claims in preparation for gold mining. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58061				
	Location: UNIT - Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Section 36, T. 14 N., R. 79 W., 6th P.M., Albany County, Wyoming. Six unpatented mining claims in the Muddy Creek area.				

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Wyoming Mines Geophysical Core Drilling - Phase II CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Amber Horne 307.326.2532 amber.horne@usda.gov
	Description: Take bedrock core samples from 19 separate locations (drill pads) to map area stratigraphy. Drills will take place on unpatented mineral claims. Wyoming Mines originally proposed five drill pads, and is requesting these additional locations.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58070				
	Location: UNIT - Laramie Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Albany. LEGAL - Sections 33 & 34, T. 14 N., R. 78 W., 6th P.M. Carbon County, WY. Sections 2 & 3, T. 13 N., R. 78 W., 6th P.M., Carbon County, WY. . All 19 proposed drill pads will be located on the Laramie District south of Lake Owen.				

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest		Yampa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region
South Routt Fuels Reduction Project EA *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2023	Expected:09/2024	10/2024	Kevin Thompson 970-638-4170 kevin.thompson@usda.gov
	Description: Fuels reduction project to improve public and firefighter safety, protect key infrastructure, and improve forest health and regeneration. Also proposes management actions to improve the forest transportation system.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64833				
	Location: UNIT - Yampa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Grand, Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located in Routt and Grand counties, Colorado, approximately 3 air miles northeast of Yampa (Routt Co.) and extending to approximately 7 miles west of Kremmling (Grand Co.).				

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YAM172- Dunkley-Dubeau Reservoir ROW Access CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/01/2023	Expected:06/2023	07/2023	Kathleen Soulliere 970-870-2222 kathleen.soulliere@usda.gov
	Description: Co-owners of the Dunkley-Dubeau Reservoir request a permit to access the reservoir for operation and maintenance. A new permit from private property south-east along NFSR 952.1 would authorize a road approximately 0.8 miles and 15 feet wide.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64230				
	Location: UNIT - Yampa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest System Road 952.1. Sec 1 & 2, T. 4 N, R. 88 W., 6TH Principal Meridian, Yampa Ranger District of the Routt National Forest, Routt County, Colorado.				
YAM176 - Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2023	Expected:09/2023	09/2023	Kathleen Soulliere 970-870-2222 kathleen.soulliere@usda.gov
	Description: On behalf of Tri-State, Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) proposes to conduct routine vegetation management treatment within the 175-foot right-of-way of the Hayden-Gore Pass 230-kV transmission line.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64540				
	Location: UNIT - Yampa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Grand, Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Gore Pass corridor north of Highway 134.				
Yampa Pipeline Maintenance CE	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/03/2021	Expected:07/2023	08/2023	Liz Schnackenberg 970-870-2234 Elizabeth.Schnackenberg@usda.gov
	Description: Restore Yampa Pipeline function by reconstructing spring box in a location approximately 100 feet downstream of existing spring box and reconnecting to the existing cistern				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61971				
	Location: UNIT - Yampa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 650 feet north of Yampa Ranger District Office, T2N, R85W, Sec 15.				

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Yampa Valley Electric Association, Inc. HBE702 Amendment #1 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 08/10/2023	08/2023	Kathleen Soulliere 970-870-2222 kathleen.soulliere@usda.gov
	Description: YVEA proposes to install, operate, and maintain approximately 32,924 feet of fiber optic cable on five existing aerial powerlines on the Yampa Ranger District; Fee, Hinman, Morrison Creek, Musselman and Ives.				
	Location: UNIT - Yampa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Rio Blanco, Routt. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest System Roads 950.1, 925.1/Routt County Road 90/Rio Blanco County Road 132A, 925.2B, 270.1 and 942.1.				

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