



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2021 to 12/31/2021

Kaibab 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 .				

R3 - Southwestern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

Arizona National Scenic Trail Comprehensive Plan EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2016 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 09/2021	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Laura White 520-388-8328 laura.white3@usda.gov
	Description: The comprehensive plan will establish the administrative objectives, policies, processes, and management guidelines necessary to fulfill the legislative requirements for national scenic trails under the National Trails System Act.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49535				
	Location: UNIT - Coronado National Forest All Units, Kaibab National Forest All Units, Coconino National Forest All Units, Tonto National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Arizona National Scenic Trail goes from the Coronado National Monument to the Utah Border at Vermillion Cliffs- 800 miles south to north across the State of Arizona.				

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R3 - Southwestern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Four-Forest Restoration Initiative EIS: Kaibab and Coconino EIS *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	Completed	Actual: 04/17/2015	05/2015	Paula Cote 928-226-4686 pcote@fs.fed.us
	Description: Implementation of forest restoration activities including thinning of trees, prescribed fire treatments, and watershed and road restoration within 988,764 acres of the Coconino and Kaibab National Forests. See www.fs.usda.gov/4fri for information.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/4fri				
Prescott College Academic Outfitter and Guide Priority Use (2015-2025) CE	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District, Tusayan Ranger District, Coconino National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Too extensive to list - see project record. ponderosa pine habitat on the Kaibab and Coconino National Forests.				
	- Recreation management - Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Julie Rowe 928-203-7516 jrowe@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to authorize Prescott College to conduct academic field courses year-round across forests in Arizona including adventure education, biology, human ecology, natural history, physical geography, & field ecology.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47407				
	Location: UNIT - Coronado National Forest All Units, Kaibab National Forest All Units, Prescott National Forest All Units, Tonto Basin Ranger District, Coconino National Forest All Units, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Yavapai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Activities take place in a variety of locations throughout the forest.				

Kaibab National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R3 - Southwestern Region

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Kaibab National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Forest-Wide Outfitter and Guide Capacity Analysis and Needs Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Chelsea Muise 928-635-8275 chelsea.muise@usda.gov
	Description: A forest-wide capacity analysis and needs assessment to identify potential new uses and new outfitter and guide operators and considering specific actions to more effectively manage uses in areas that experience high use.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58230				
	Location: UNIT - Kaibab National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project falls within the legal boundaries of the Kaibab National Forest.				
Kaibab Vault Toilet Replacement Project CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/23/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	Jeremy Haines 928-635-8367 jeremy.haines.@usda.gov
	Description: This project would replace 13 recreation site toilets across the Kaibab that are old pit type toilets or vaults that have become unusable and have been closed to the public.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59847				
	Location: UNIT - Kaibab National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. NKRD: AZ TH 205/89A, 205/67, 610/GNP; TRD: Ranger Station, Grandview LO, Russell Tank; WRD: Kendrick TH, Spring Valley Cabin, Scholz Lake, Pomeroy Tanks, Sycamore Falls TH, Benham TH, Bill Williams LO.				

Kaibab National Forest		North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region
Arizona National Scenic Trail Reroute (Orderville Canyon) CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: The Kaibab NF in partnership with the Arizona Trail Association (ATA) proposes to build approximately one (1) mile of new single-track trail to replace a section of trail that currently overlays Forest Road 258B on the North Kaibab Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60752				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T38N R2E Sections 04 and 33, Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian, Coconino County, AZ. Located South of Highway 89-A and the AZ Trailhead parking lot on Forest Road 258B.				

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Kaibab National Forest North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Big Ridge Communications Site Upgrades Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Remove, replace and/or upgrade existing communications equipment owned and operated by the BLM at the Big Ridge Communications Site. Install a new 60-foot self-supporting tower & ancillary equipment. New photovoltaic power sys. with battery back-up.				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - SUP Permit NKR281 Legal description is as follows: SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, of Section 14, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian (Coconino County, Arizona). The project/site is located at: [Latitude: 36 degrees, 40 minutes, 48.70 seconds North; Longitude: 112 degrees, 9 minutes, 16.47 seconds West; Elevation: 8,354 ft. AMSL].				
Burnt Corral Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/25/2020	Expected:05/2022	07/2022	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: The purposes of the Burnt Corral project is to improve forest health and vigor, while improving habitat conditions which are more resilient to change in the event of wildfire and/or other climatic condition changes. Project = 28,090 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44236				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Planning stage - General Description: Townships 35 - 37 North, Ranges 1 West to 1 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian, (Coconino County, Arizona). The Burnt Corral project area lies in the southwest portion of the Kaibab Plateau (i.e., south-southwest of Lookout Canyon and FS Road 22) on the North Kaibab Ranger District, Kaibab National Forest.				

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Kaibab National Forest North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Cooper Ridge Communications Site Tower Replacement CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: New replacement tower/equipment to improved reliability of wireless communications: New 199ft. tall self-supporting tower, New 16ft. x 24ft. building, new 50 kW back-up generator w/1,000-gallon propane tank on concrete pads, and new fencing.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60751				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - The Cooper Ridge Communication Site is located within Coconino County, Arizona, in the SW1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 32, Township 39N, Range 2E, of the Gila and Salt River Principal Meridian. Site is located approximately one and half miles north of the Jacob Lake Campground off Highway 89A and along Forest Development Road 0684; just south of the ADOT maintenance yard.				
House Rock Wildlife Area (HRWA) Bison Management Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land ownership management - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:11/2021	01/2022	David Vincelette 928-643-8100 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a new wildlife water in the northwest portion of the HRWA, and rebuild/re-establish, construct and install approximately 12 miles of existing and new pasture fence-line (including associated cattle-guards) within the HRWA.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58903				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Townships 35 and 36 North, Ranges 4 and 5 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline and Meridian (Coconino County, AZ). The House Rock Wildlife Area (HRWA) is located within the southeast corner of the Kaibab National Forest - North Kaibab Ranger District (east of Saddle Mtn. Wilderness Area) in SW House Rock Valley.				

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Kaibab National Forest North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Mangum Fire Emergency Actions / Hazard Tree Removal Project EA *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Special area management - Grazing management - Fuels management - Road management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2021	Expected:03/2022	04/2022	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Targeted removal of hazard trees along approximately 2.5 miles of highway right-of-way, 40 miles of Forest Service (FS) roads, 10 miles of trails, and 55 miles of fence lines in the Mangum Fire burn area on the NKRD.				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T37N, R1E & 1W; T38N, R1-2E & 1W; T39N, R1-3E; and T40N, R1-3E, Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian; Coconino County, Arizona. Location is about 30 miles south/southeast of Fredonia, AZ on Nat. Forest System lands. Project area = buffer areas along highway 89A, FS roads, trails, and fence lines in moderate/sever burn area.				
Mangum Fire Emergency Actions / Hazard Tree Removal Project CE *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Special area management - Grazing management - Fuels management - Road management 	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Targeted removal of hazard trees along approximately 2.5 miles of highway right-of-way, 40 miles of Forest Service (FS) roads, 10 miles of trails, and 55 miles of fence lines in the Mangum Fire burn area on the NKRD.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60276				
Warm Springs Tank to Mangum Springs, to Big Springs Waterline Project CE *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land management planning - Land ownership management - Facility management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/01/2017	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8100 djvincelette@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project will install 8.5 miles (/-) of new waterline from Warm Springs tank to Mangum Springs (Phase 1~6 .8 miles), to Big Springs (Phase 2~1.7 miles), to improve the Jacob Lake public water system and associated communications and control line.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47875				
	Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Starting in Sec.17, T38N, R1E, running 1.8 miles west (parallel to FSR 462), thence running 4.7 miles south (parallel to FSR 422) to Mangum Camp, thence running south 1.7 miles south to Big Springs.				

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Kaibab National Forest Tusayan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Grandview Lookout Cabin Adaptive Reuse to Cabin Rental CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2021	Expected:11/2021	10/2022	Jeremy Haines 928-635-8367 jeremy.haines@usda.gov
	Description: Work to prepare Grandview Lookout Cabin for use as a cabin rental. Activities include roof and paint hazmat abatement, solar panel installation, a new gravel path to the existing vault toilet, greywater system installation, and other upgrades.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60854				
	Location: UNIT - Tusayan Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T30N, R4E, Section 27, Gila and Salt River Meridian. Adjacent to Grandview Lookout Tower off of Forest Road 310.				
Tusayan Community Trails Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2021	Expected:02/2022	08/2022	Kevin Lehto 928-635-5662 kevin.lehto@usda.gov
	Description: The Town of Tusayan has proposed construction of approx. 15 mi of new foot and bike trails and trailhead facilities to augment and link existing trails in the Tusayan area, providing safe and sustainable trail routes for visitors and residents.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60893				
	Location: UNIT - Tusayan Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Several locations in and around the town of Tusayan on Kaibab National Forest lands.				
Tusayan Ranger Station Waterline Connection CE *NEW LISTING*	- Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2021	Expected:12/2021	02/2022	Andrew Kelher 928-635-8230 andrew.kelher@usda.gov
	Description: Install a new water pipeline between the Town of Tusayan and the Tusayan Ranger District compound to provide a reliable water source to the ranger station and associated administrative facilities/housing.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60839				
	Location: UNIT - Tusayan Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T30N, R2E, Sections 13 & 24, Gila and Salt River Meridian. Parallel to the east side of Highway 64 north of the Town of Tusayan.				

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Kaibab National Forest Tusayan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region		
Tusayan Sanitary District Reclaimed Water Fill Station CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2021	Expected:12/2021	01/2022	Chelsea Muise 928-635-8275 chelsea.muise@usda.gov
	Description: Authorize Tusayan Sanitary District (TSD) to construct a water filling station, underground pipeline, & vehicle turn-around adjacent to TSD property to create a sustainable reclaimed water supply and reduce dependency on groundwater pumping.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60838				
	Location: UNIT - Tusayan Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T30N, R2E, Section 24, Gila and Salt River Meridian. On the west side of the Town of Tusayan off of Long Jim Loop Road.				

Kaibab National Forest Williams Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region		
Arcadian Fiber Optic Line CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/26/2021	07/2021	Marcos Roybal 928-635-8331 marcos.roybal@usda.gov
	Description: Authorize installation of an underground fiber optic line between Paulden and Ashfork, Arizona. Approximately 9.58 miles would be on the Williams Ranger District and would be within the Highway 89 right-of-way.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60142				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Within the Highway 89 right-of-way between Paulden and Ash Fork.				
Dogtown Waterline Project Alternate Alignment Supplemental EA EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/06/2021	07/2021	Marcos Roybal 928-635-8331 comments-southwestern-kaibab@usda.gov
	Description: To provide reliable and efficient water delivery to the City of Williams. An alternate dual water line alignment, totaling approx. 0.8 mi, with access road improvement, is being considered to replace approx. 1 mi of the alignment approved in 2020.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59517				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T21N, R3E, Section 6, Gila and Salt River Meridian. Southeast of the City of Williams parallel to Dogtown Wash.				

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Kaibab National Forest Williams Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R3 - Southwestern Region					
Drake Pozzolan Project EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/11/2021	Expected:12/2021	12/2021	Jeremy Haines 928-635-8367 comments- southwestern- kaibab@usda.gov
	Description: Drake Cement is proposing to mine natural pozzolan (a concrete additive) on mining claims it holds on the Williams Ranger District. The proposed mine is situated in and around Frenchy Pit, a location of previous mining and quarrying.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58789				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T23N, R3E, Section 35, Gila and Salt River Meridian. In and around Frenchy Pit off of Forest Road 74 on the Williams Ranger District.				
El Paso Natural Gas Permit Amendment (Administrative Correction of Permit Area) CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2021	Expected:10/2021	11/2021	Christopher Asbjorn 928-635-8280 Christopher.Asbjorn@u sda.gov
	Description: Amend existing special use permit WMS706, held by El Paso Natural Gas, to incorporate existing infrastructure not previously recorded in the original authorization. No new construction would occur.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60855				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T22N, R3E, Sections 9 & 10, Gila and Salt River Meridian. In the vicinity of the Williams Compressor Station off of Forest Road 74.				
El Paso Natural Gas Permit Amendment (For New Cathodic Protection Systems) CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/26/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	Christopher Asbjorn 928-635-8280 Christopher.Asbjorn@u sda.gov
	Description: Amend existing special use permit WMS706, held by El Paso Natural Gas, for 2 new cathodic protection systems along the natural gas pipeline to ensure integrity of the pipeline. Would involve installation of new infrastructure w/in right of way.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60706				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T 22 N, R 3 E, Sections 9 & 10, Gila and Salt River Base Meridian. In the vicinity of the Williams Compressor Station west of County/Forest Road 74.				

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Kaibab National Forest Williams Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Forest Road 141F Road Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/12/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	Chelsea Muise 928-653-8275 chelsea.muise@usda.gov
	Description: Issue new 30-yr road use permit to the private landowner for long term use of existing, but closed, Forest Road 141F. General road maintenance activities including snow removal will be allowable under the permit. No major construction is planned.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60631				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T21N R3E Section 05, Gila & Salt River Baseline Meridian. Off of Garland Prairie Road approximately 5.5 miles southeast of Williams.				
Krombeen Driveway Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/26/2021	Expected:10/2021	10/2021	Christopher Asbjorn 928-635-8280 Christopher.Asbjorn@usda.gov
	Description: Issue a new special use permit for a driveway needed to access a parcel of private property for a primary residence. Construction of a new driveway approximately 100 ft in length and 10 ft wide would occur.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60707				
	Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T 22 N, R 4 E, Section 26, Gila and Salt River Base Meridian. South of Old Route 66 just east of the Parks exit off of Interstate 40.				

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