



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2022 to 09/30/2022

Inyo 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	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/08/2020 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/2022	Expected:06/2022	07/2022	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.					

R5 - Pacific Southwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

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R5 - Pacific Southwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Region 5 Post-Disturbance Hazardous Tree Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Fuels management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 04/11/2022	Expected:07/2022	07/2022	Laura Hierholzer 707-562-8949 laura.hierholzer@usda.gov
	Description: Hazard tree felling and removal is proposed to reduce public safety hazards along portions of certain roads, trails and facilities within nine national forests. We expect to complete three zone-level analyses and nine decisions.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60950				
Location: UNIT - Lassen National Forest All Units, Mendocino National Forest All Units, Six Rivers National Forest All Units, Sequoia National Forest All Units, Plumas National Forest All Units, Shasta Trinity National Forest All Units, Klamath National Forest All Units, Sierra National Forest All Units, Inyo National Forest All Units. STATE - California. COUNTY - Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Inyo, Kern, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Mendocino, Mono, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Certain national forest roads, trails and facilities within recent fire areas.					

Inyo National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Eastern Sierra Fire Restoration and Maintenance Project CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/22/2019	Expected:08/2022	01/2023	Erin Noesser 760-873-2449 elnoesser@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restore and maintain fire regimes to vegetation types characterized by frequent to moderate fire return intervals using prescribed fire and wildfires managed for resource benefit.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56291				
Location: UNIT - Inyo National Forest All Units. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The non-wilderness portions of the Inyo National Forest outside the White or Inyo Mountains.					
Inyo NF Personal Use Fuelwood Program Area Assessment CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Scott Kusumoto 760-924-5522 skusumoto@fs.fed.us
	Description: Assessment of Inyo NF Personal Use Fuelwood Program Open areas				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55238				
Location: UNIT - Inyo National Forest All Units. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forest-wide assessment.					

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Inyo National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle (OSV) Use Designation EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 01/2023	Expected:03/2025	08/2025	Erin Noesser 760-873-2449 erin.noesser@usda.gov
	Description: The Inyo National Forest is evaluating its management of over snow vehicle (OSV) use. The purpose of this project is to designate system roads, trails and areas where OSV use will be allowed, in compliance with 36 CFR 212, Subpart C.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61466				
Location: UNIT - Inyo National Forest All Units. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Madera, Mono, Tulare. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Will review the entire portion of the Inyo National Forest that has adequate snowfall for OSV use. Will exclude areas where OSV use is already prohibited, such as Wilderness and RNAs.					
Permit Reissuances - Ongoing, various permit types CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/10/2018	Expected:06/2026	06/2026	Erin Noesser 760-873-2449 elnoesser@fs.fed.us
	Description: Ongoing and continuous reissuance of various special use authorizations. Examples of these are resorts, research activities, utilities and events. For further information on any specific permit or permitted activities, contact Erin Noesser.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55278				
Location: UNIT - Inyo National Forest All Units. STATE - California, Nevada. COUNTY - Fresno, Inyo, Madera, Mono, Esmeralda, Mineral. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Over the entire Inyo National Forest.					

Inyo National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Cottonwood Creek and Owens River Headwaters Wild and Scenic Management Plans EA *UPDATED*	- Special area management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/15/2022	Expected:11/2022	01/2023	Adam Barnett 760-873-2461 adam.barnett@usda.gov
	Description: Developing a Wild and Scenic River Management Plan for two designated rivers: Cottonwood Creek in the White Mountains and the Owens River Headwaters.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57325				
Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District, Mono Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Owens River Headwaters, including Deadman and Glass Creeks, in Mono County, from the headwaters to the private land boundary downstream of Hwy 395, and Cottonwood Creek in the White Mountains.					

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Inyo National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Mammoth Tuff Race CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 05/16/2022	08/2022	Jameisha Washington 760-965-6893 Jameisha.Washington@usda.gov
	Description: Bicycle Event/Race for up to 1,000 people between the Mammoth and Bishop areas. This permit would be for valid for one event.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60995				
Location: UNIT - Mammoth Ranger District, White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Native surface roads between Bishop and Mammoth Lakes.					

Inyo National Forest Mammoth Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Airport Pit Disposal Site Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sheila Irons 760-924-5534 sirons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissuance of special use permit to the Town of Mammoth Lakes for operation of clean waste disposal at the Airport Pit				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47812				
Location: UNIT - Mammoth Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mammoth Airport Pit.					
Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities Resilience Project EA	- Fuels management - Climate Change Adaption	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2022	Expected:05/2024	09/2024	Stephen Calkins 425 501-4256 (Cell) Stephen.Calkins@usda.gov
	Description: Project collaboration website link: https://www.eswildfirealliance.org/escrpr . Approx. 56,000 acre forest restoration project around the Town of Mammoth Lakes. Activities may include thinning of live and dead trees, pile burning, mechanical and hand.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61827				
Location: UNIT - Mammoth Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Roughly 56,000 acres surrounding the Town of Mammoth Lakes. From Deadman Creek in the north to Laurel Creek in the south.					

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Inyo National Forest Mammoth Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Mammoth Mountain Main Lodge Redevelopment EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 07/2022	Expected:11/2024	06/2025	Tyler Lee 719-310-0973 tyler.lee@usda.gov
	Description: Mammoth Mountain is planning on redeveloping its Main Lodge area on private land, with related development on adjacent National Forest lands. Development will include construction and reconstruction of parking lots, buildings, chairlifts and ski runs Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62406				
	Location: UNIT - Mammoth Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mammoth Mountain Main Lodge area.				
Vista Towers, multi-carrier facility at Little Antelope Communication Site CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sheila Irons 760-924-5534 sirons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Placement of multi-carrier building and tower at the Little Antelope Communications Site Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47317				
	Location: UNIT - Mammoth Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - MDB&M, T. 3S., 28E., Sec 33. Little Antelope Communications Site, north of the Mammoth Yosemite Airport.				

Inyo National Forest Mono Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Driveway permit to private residence located in the Peterson Tract, June Lake Area CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sheila Irons 760-924-5534 sirons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of a special use authorization for driveway for private residence Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47810				
	Location: UNIT - Mono Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. June Lake Loop, between Highway 158 and private property located in Peterson Tract.				

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Inyo National Forest Mono Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
June Lake Triathlon 2022 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/25/2022	07/2022	Melissa Baechle email only Melissa.Baechle@usda.gov
	Description: One-year permit issuance to Alpha Win for the June Lake Triathlon, which is planned for July 9, 2022, for up to 500 participants. The permit would include parking restrictions to limit parking to one lot, and resource protection measures				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61205				
Location: UNIT - Mono Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. At June Lake Beach, in June Lake, and on adjacent roads and parking lots.					

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Inyo National Forest Mount Whitney Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Kern Plateau Grazing Allotments Analysis EIS	- Grazing management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Margaret Wood 760-873-2515 mwood@fs.fed.us
	Description: Review and analysis of the Monache, Mulkey, Templeton and Whitney grazing allotments in the Golden Trout Wilderness on the Mt Whitney Ranger District				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=34380				
Location: UNIT - Mount Whitney Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Tulare. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Templeton/Whitney Grazing Allotments in the Golden Trout Wilderness.					
Kern Plateau Meadow Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2022	Expected:06/2023	06/2024	Todd Ellsworth 760-873-2457 todd.ellsworth@usda.gov
	Description: Restore degraded habitat across 13 meadow complexes in and around Golden Trout Wilderness Area. Includes maintenance of exiting and placement of new instream restoration treatment structures to reconnect incised stream channels to the floodplain.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62408				
Location: UNIT - Mount Whitney Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo, Kern. LEGAL - Not Applicable. 13 meadows in the Kern Plateau area of the Inyo National Forest, from Monache Meadows in the South to Horseshoe Meadow in the North. Mostly within the Golden Trout Wilderness.					

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Inyo National Forest Mount Whitney Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Thacher School Term Permit Reissuance for Golden Trout Wilderness School CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/02/2019	Expected:10/2022	12/2022	Douglas Winn 760-876-6215 douglas.winn@usda.gov
	Description: Reissuance of a ten year term permit to The Thacher School for operation and maintenance of Golden Trout Wilderness School in the Golden Trout Wilderness.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52420				
Location: UNIT - Mount Whitney Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo. LEGAL - T16.5S R35E Section 33 and T17S R35E Section 3 as shown on the Cirque Peak, California 7.5 minute USGS Topographic Map. UTM Zone 11, 394616mE, 4038284mN. . On Cottonwood Creek in the Golden Trout Wilderness at a location just south of the John Muir Wilderness. The camp is roughly 2.5 miles north of the Horseshoe Meadow Trailhead.					

Inyo National Forest White Mountain Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Birchim Community Services District water tank and pipeline permit reissuance CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Rosalie Herrera 760-873-2455 raherrera@fs.fed.us
	Description: reissue a permit to the Birchim Community Services District for operation and maintenance of two water tanks, and approximately 500 feet of water line, for water tapped from a system located on private property. Serves the community of Sunny Slopes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55020				
Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - T4S, R30E, Sections 28 and 29. Near the community of Sunny Slopes, in the vicinity of Tom's Place, California, northeast of highway 395.					

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Inyo National Forest White Mountain Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R5 - Pacific Southwest Region		
Coyote Flat OHV Recreation Enhancement EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2022	Expected:10/2023	06/2024	Dannon Dirgo 760-873-2561 dannon.dirgo@usda.gov
	Description: Improve road and motorized trail management in the Coyote Flat area. Repair system roads for safety and resource protection, review travel management decision in this area and adjust if needed for resource protection and recreation enhancement.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61311				
Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Coyote Flat area, Southeast of the City of Bishop.					
Grandview Campground Host Septic Tank Installation CE *UPDATED*	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/16/2022	Expected:07/2022	08/2022	Steven Van-Si 530-478-6196 steven.c.vansi@usda.gov
	Description: Install a pump-out septic tank at the Grandview Campground host campsite.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61807				
Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo. LEGAL - T7S, R34E, Section 13. Grandview Campground host site.					
LADWP Long Valley Pole Removal and Pole Replacement Project CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2022	Expected:09/2022	11/2022	Rosalie Herrera 760-873-2455 raherrera@fs.fed.us
	Description: LADWP Utility Maintenance Project:1)removal of poles & replacement of poles in one line and 2)removal of poles & rehab in second line, 3)relinquish poles				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56523				
Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Mono. LEGAL - Not Applicable. LADWP locations of distribution line maintenance work is on a combination of LADWP and INF lands, starting at the Upper Gorge power plant down to the Long Valley Dam, on the White Mtn. Ranger District.					

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Mineral County Roads Management Project CE *UPDATED*	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/17/2022	Expected:10/2022	11/2022	Casey Shannon 760-873-2407 cshannon@fs.fed.us
	Description: Add approximately 0.9 mi of established, non-system road as a motorized trail. Install OHV barriers to block non-system roads, install rolling dips on 10 roads to reduce erosion, re-shape and harden two system roads (O1N131, 02N115. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60447				
	Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Nevada. COUNTY - Mineral. LEGAL - Not Applicable. East side of the White Mountains in Mineral County, Nevada.				
Southern California Edison Control-Silver Peak 55kV Reliability Project CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sheila Irons 760-924-5534 sirons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Installation of remote fault indicators, packet routers, and installation of remote switches along with poles replacements. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54262				
	Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Silver Canyon, east of Bishop, CA.				
Starlite water tank and pipeline permit reissuance CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Rosalie Herrera 760-873-2455 raherrera@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue a 20 year permit for an existing 50,000 gallon water storage reservoir and pipeline, used by the community of Starlite. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55023				
	Location: UNIT - White Mountain Ranger District. STATE - California. COUNTY - Inyo. LEGAL - T7S, R31E, Sections 23 and 27. Directly south of the community of Starlite, which is east of Bishop, California.				

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