

Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 10/01/2022 to 12/31/2022

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide	1				1					
Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations Orders	, Directives,	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fe d.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:	regulations apply to	level Units. STATE - All States. all NFS lands open to mineral sda.gov/science-technology/geo	entry under the US minin	g laws. More Infor	mation is available				
Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land. EIS	- Regulations Orders	, Directives,	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.go v				
	Description: Programmatic Supplemental EIS for the Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land.									
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=60450							
	Location:									

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

Project Name	Proje	ect Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring in more than	one Region	(excluding Nationw	vide)	1		
Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Comprehensive Plan EA		management ea 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
	Description: Web Link:	conditions for the Pa 6.	e Plan will develop administrative a acific Northwest National Scenic Tr gov/project/?project=52259			
	Location:	District, Three River Ranger District, Sul Rexford Ranger Dis Boundary, Flathead Whatcom. LEGAL	v Ranger District, Mt Baker Ranger rs Ranger District, Three Rivers Ra livan Lake Ranger District, Olympic strict, Tonasket Ranger District. ST I, Glacier, Lincoln, Clallam, Ferry, Is - Not Applicable. The trail begins at a 7 National Forests, 3 National Par	nger District, Republi c National Forest All L ATE - Idaho, Montan sland, Jefferson, Oka t the Continental Divid	c Ranger District, I Jnits, Priest Lake R a, Washington. C nogan, Pend Oreill de in Glacier Natior	Methow Valley Ranger District, OUNTY - Bonner, e, Skagit, Stevens, nal Park and travels

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region									
Motorized Travel Management EA	 Recreation management Road management 	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sendi Kalcic 575-682-5307 sendi.kalcic@usda.gov					
	•	/trails/areas open to motorized v le. Roads/trails/areas not desigr -snow motorized use.								
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usd	la.gov/project/?project=46467								
		n-Wenatchee National Forest Al na. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Ol								

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest) R6 - Pacific Northwest									
Planning and Management of Domestic Sheep and Goat Grazing within the range of Bighorn Sheep EIS	- Grazing management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 05/17/2019 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2021	Expected:09/2022	10/2022	Morgan Lawson (509)664-9208 morgan.lawson@usda.g ov				
	sheep and goat gra context of range maWeb Link:http://www.fs.usda.Location:UNIT - Okanogan-V	Land and Resource Management lazing within the range of Bighorn sh anagement. gov/project/?project=53257 Wenatchee National Forest All Units LEGAL - Not Applicable. Okanog	eep to better provide s. STATE - Washingt	for bighorn sheep	viability in the helan, Kittitas,				

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region									
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Danger Tree Felling and Removal Project	- Forest proc - Fuels man - Road man	agement	12/2022	John Dow 719-250-5311 john.dow@usda.gov					
EA *UPDATED*	Description: Web Link:	 Scription: The project proposes danger tree removal along 452 miles of road. 130 miles of those roads are currently closed and additional roads will be closed in the future without danger tree removal. b Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62402 							
	Location:	STATE - Washington located in the follow	INIT - Chelan Ranger District, Cle Elum Ranger District, Naches Ranger District, Methow Valley Ranger District. TATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan, Kittitas, Okanogan, Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is pocated in the following fire perimeters from north to south:Diamond Creek, Mcleod, Cub Creek 2, Cedar Creek, crescent Moutain, Twentyfive Mile, and Jolly Mountain.						

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Chelan Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Chelan Ranger	District (excluding	Projects occurring in	more than one Distr	rict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region
Box Canyon Trail CE	- Recreation managemer		s: tart 08/01/2014	Expected:04/2022	04/2022	Paul Willard 509-682-4960 paul.willard@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a shore of La Web Link: http://www.			from 25 Mile Creek H	elibase to Box Car	nyon on the south
			STATE - Washington. il would be located nor			20E, Sections 14,

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Cle I	Elum Ranger Distric	ct (excluding Projects occurring	in more than one Dis	strict) R6 - Pa	acific Northwest Region		
Gold Creek Valley Restoration EA	- Wildlife, Fis	n, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/13/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2022	Expected:06/2023	09/2023	Patricia GarveyDarda 509-852-1029 SM.FS.cmtcleelum@us da.gov		
	Description: A multi-partner effort to recover Gold Creek bull trout populations by correcting habitat conditions which create significant mortality, reconnecting the creek and floodplain, and restoring natural processes. Provide recreation at this valued site.							
	Web Link:	b Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57415						
	Location: UNIT - Cle Elum Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Kittitas. LEGAL - T 22N, R 11E, Sec 1, 2, 10, 11, 14, 15, 22, 23, 26, 27, 34, 35; T 21N, R 11E, Sec 1, 2, 11, 12. Gold Creek drainage near Alpine Lakes Wilderness to Lake Keechelus.							
Potato Patch Plan of Operation EA	- Minerals an	d Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2021	Expected:04/2022	04/2022	Jamey Basye 509 852 1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v		
	Description: Forest review of a submitted Plan of Operation for placer mining on claims associated with the Potato Patch mine.							
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=59948					
	Location: UNIT - Cle Elum Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Kittitas. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Potato Patch mine is in the Swauk watershed, north of the town of Liberty along HWY 97.					oplicable. The		

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Swauk Mining Plans of Operation Analysis EA	- Minerals ar	d Geology	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 07/30/2019	Expected:02/2022	04/2022	Jamey Basye 509-852-1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v	
	Description:		alyze ten mining Plans of Operation s established by the 1872 Mining La ⁴ 1976.				
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=56466				
	Location:	R.17E., Sections 1,	anger District. STATE - Washington 3, 10, 11 12; T.20N., R.18E., Secti tions 19, 30; W.M. Claims are locat	ion 6, 13, 34; T.21N.,	R.17E., Sections 1		
Taneum Restoration Project EA	 Recreation Heritage remanagement Wildlife, Fisting Grazing mathematical distribution Forest production Vegetation (other than for a real distribution) 	t sh, Rare plants anagement ducts management prest products) agement management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/02/2019	Expected:05/2022	05/2022	Jamey Basye 509-852-1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v	
	 Description: This project is evaluating opportunities for the restoration of riparian processes and forest vegetation structure and fuel patterns to improve forest resiliency to severe insect, disease, and wildfire disturbances and reduce the risk of habitat loss Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53450 						
	Location:						

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Mad Roaring Mills Landscape Restoration Project EA *UPDATED*	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Fuels management Watershed management Road management 	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 06/23/2022	Expected:08/2022		Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov
	Web Link:http://www.fs.usda.Location:UNIT - Entiat Rang	atic restoration treatments in Lower gov/project/?project=59963 er District. STATE - Washington. ing the Lower Mad, Roaring Creek,	COUNTY - Chelan. I	EGAL - Not Applic	cable. lower Entiat

Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Methow Valley Ranger	District (excluding Projects oc	curring in more than on	ie R6 - F	Pacific Northwest Region
Methow Valley Small Tracts Act Lands Conveyance CE *UPDATED*	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/02/2021	Expected:11/2022	11/2022	Margaret Trebon 509-996-4032 Margaret.Trebon@usda .gov
	Successional Rese Location: UNIT - Methow Val	Ild be designated as Forest Plan	Management Area 5/Mat ashington. COUNTY - O	rix or Managem kanogan. LEGA	ent Area 5/Late AL - Not Applicable.
South Creek Trail #401 Reroute CE *NEW LISTING*		In Progress: Scoping Start 09/23/2022	Expected:04/2023	06/2023	Rosemary Seifried 509/996-4021 rosemary.seifried@usd a.gov
	Description: Relocate 0.4 mi of \$ Location: UNIT - Methow Vall	South Creek Trail #401 to minimi ley Ranger District. STATE - Wa Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness. T3	ashington. COUNTY - OI	kanogan. LEGA	

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Met	how Valley Ranger	District (excluding Projects occu	urring in more than c	one R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region	
Suspension Bridge Trailhead CX Toilet CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/09/2022	Expected:03/2023	04/2023	Rosemary Seifried 509/996-4021 rosemary.seifried@usd a.gov	
	Description:	Install a concrete va properly disposing o	ault toilet (CXT style) to a popular t of human waste.	railhead to address he	ealth and sanitatior	concerns related to	
	Location:		ey Ranger District. STATE - Wasl s-Foster Suspension Bridge off Go				
Twisp Restoration EA *UPDATED*	 Forest pro Vegetation (other than foregrammed) Fuels man Watersheet Road man 	n management orest products) agement I management	Completed	Actual: 07/29/2022	08/2022	Eireann Pederson 509-996-4018 eireann.pederson@usd a.gov	
	Description: Web Link:	Description: Landscape-scale aquatic and terrestrial restoration project including the lower Twisp River and Alder Creek drainages, excluding the Lake Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56554					
	Location:	UNIT - Methow Vall Project area is SW,	ey Ranger District. STATE - Wash W, and NW of Twisp, Washington roject includes Roads End Campg	in the Alder Creek, T	wisp River, Rader		
U.S. Border Patrol Radio Repeaters Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Facility mai	nagement	Completed	Actual: 09/14/2022	09/2022	Margaret Trebon 509-996-4032 Margaret.Trebon@usda .gov	
OFDATED	Description:		proposes to install radio repeaters mile Peak, and Slate Peak.	at existing communica	ation sites on McCl	ure Mtn, Sweetgrass	
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=58481				
	Location:	Communication Site	ey Ranger District. STATE - Washes on Flagg Mtn, Sweetgrass Butte icts, north/northwest of Winthrop, \	e, North Twentymile Po			

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Methow Valley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one R6 - Pacific Northwest Region District)							
Waterline Special Use Permit Renewals CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/29/2021	Expected:11/2022	11/2022	Robert George 509-996-4062 robert.george@usda.go v		
UPDATED	Description: Renew 21 special intensity of permitte	meter with no change in the scope or					
Location: UNIT - Methow Valley Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Okanogan. LEGAL - Not Waterlines are located across district in the Methow River, Twisp River, Chewuch River, Rader Cr, L Gold Cr drainages.							

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Naches Ranger District	e (excluding Projects occurring in	n more than one Distr	rict) R6 - Pa	acific Northwest Region			
Little Naches River Floodplain Restoration, RM 3.25-4.49 (Longmire Levee)	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Watershed management Climate Change Adaption 	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/16/2022	Expected:05/2022	06/2022	Gary Torretta 509-653-1433 gary.torretta@usda.gov			
EA	Description: Restore stream complexity and reconnect floodplain for watershed and species restoration. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61200							
	Location: UNIT - Naches Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. On the Naches Ranger District, in the Little Naches River watershed.							
Little Naches Upland Restoration EA	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Forest products Fuels management Watershed management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 02/25/2022	Expected:05/2022	10/2022	Jamey Basye 509-852-1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v			
	Description: Project proposes commercial harvest and non-commercial thinning in the project area and road decommissioning in Inventoried Roadless Area. Storymap link: https://usfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=cc493b47b6c247c587f58db21e2a0d19							
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58517 Location: UNIT - Naches Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forty miles Northwest of Naches, Washington.							

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Pacific Power Distribution Line Rebuild - Nile Hendrix Project EA	- Special use	e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/29/2021 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 12/2021	Expected:05/2022	05/2022	Jamey Basye 5098521042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v	
	Description: Pacific Power will upgrade 28 miles of distribution line and relocate parts of main distribution feeder to I ROW (construct 14 linear miles); eight miles of distribution line will be removed from the current transm of way on Forest.						
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59210					
	Location:	ion: UNIT - Naches Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This section of the Pacific Power transmission line parallels HWY 410 along the Little Naches and American rivers in Yakima county, Washington.					
YA4750 - AT&T FirstNet Communication Tower CE	- Special use	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/06/2022	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Lee Ellis 503-808-2121 lee.l.ellis@usda.gov	
	Description: Construct an AT&T FirstNet communication tower to enhance communications needed by first responders, s and rescue, disaster response and recovery, and everyday mobile users.						
	Web Link:	Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60962					
	Location:		ger District. STATE - Washington. SR 1302, near the Jump Off looko		. LEGAL - Not App	blicable. Tower will	

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Wenatchee River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one R6 - Pacific Northwest Region District)							
Alder Creek Beaver Dam Analogs	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare pl - Watershed manager	•	Actual: 08/05/2022	08/2022	McLain Johnson 509-630-1531 McLain.Johnson@usda.		
CE					gov		
NEW LISTING	 Description: Enhance the aquatic ecosystem of Alder Creek through the addition of beaver dam analogs, large woody debris, and a post-assisted log structure. Project location is on Alder Creek near Alder Creek Horse Camp and just upstream of FS Road 6102200. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62597 Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Alder Creek (tributary to Lower Chiwawa River). 						

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Merritt Oxbow Stream Restoration CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Special use management		Completed	Actual: 07/20/2022	07/2022	Mariah Mayfield 509-784-4620 mariah.mayfield@usda. gov			
OFDATED	Description: Web Link:	Description: Increase habitat for various fish species in Nason Creek with two wood habitat structures. A temporary bridge is also needed. Other activities are also proposed adjacent to Forest Service land as part of this project.							
	Location:	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - T26N, R16E, Sec. 3. On the south side of Highway 2 in and adjacent to Nason Creek.							
Mission Ridge Lighting CE CE		management e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/03/2022	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g ov			
	Description: The Chair 2 lighting project would require the installation of a continuous trigger wire, some new power lines, and new light poles from the top of the Wenatchee Express Lift to Midway. Existing snowmaking pedestals would be used to power lights.								
	Web Link:	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61741							
	Location:	UNIT - Wenatchee Mission Ridge ski a	River Ranger District. STATE - Wa rea.	ashington. COUNTY	- Chelan. LEGAL	- Not Applicable.			
Mission Ridge Magic Carpet Installation Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/31/2022	Expected:07/2022	07/2022	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g ov			
	Description: project is to install a magic carpet skier conveyor within the existing Mission Ridge Ski Area.								
	Web Link:								
	Location:		River Ranger District. STATE - Wa	ashington. COUNTY	- Chelan. LEGAL	- Not Applicable.			

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Mission Ridge Ski and Board Resort Expansion Project EA	 Recreation management Special use management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 02/26/2020	Expected:06/2022	06/2022	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mschuur@fs.fed.us			
	 Description: Project is to amend the Mission Ridge Special Use Permit, building a new access road, constructing new alpine lifts and ski runs on Forest Service lands. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53981 							
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53981 Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - T21N R20E S30 and T21N R19E S24 and S25.							
Upper Wenatchee Pilot Project EA *UPDATED*	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Fuels management Watershed management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/13/2021	Expected:11/2022	11/2022	Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov			
OPDATED	Description: Landscape scale aquatic and terrestrial restoration project which includes fuels, roads, vegetation, and aquatic habitat improvement treatments. Details also here: https://arcg.is/S1X4z https://www.facebook.com/784196435031210/videos/236848004676892							
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49124 Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - T28N, R17E various sections; T27N, R17E various sections; T27N, R18E, various sections. Lake Wenatchee, Beaver Creek-Wenatchee River, Lower Chiwawa and Big Meadow subwatersheds.							

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