

Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 01/01/2023 to 03/31/2023

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide										
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: Web Link:	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								
	Location:									
Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land. EIS *UPDATED*	- Regulations Orders	, Directives,	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/11/2022 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/2023	Expected:01/2023	02/2023	Laura Conway 406-802-4317 laura.conway@usda.go v				
	Description: Web Link:	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:		level Units. STATE - All States. (S will apply to use of aerially delive							

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

Project Name	Project Purpose		Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact				
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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 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				
	Management Rule.	Description: Designate roads/trails/areas open to motorized vehicle use outside of wilderness consistent with Travel Management Rule. Roads/trails/areas not designated as open would be closed to motorized use. Project does not address over-the-snow motorized use.							
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.	.gov/project/?project=46467							

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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 09/2023	Expected:07/2024	09/2024	Stacy Lundgren (509) 664-9200 Stacy.Lundgren@usda. gov				
UPDATED	sheep and goat gra context of range maWeb Link:http://www.fs.usda.Location:UNIT - Okanogan-V	Land and Resource Management I zing within the range of Bighorn sh anagement. gov/project/?project=53257 Venatchee National Forest All Units . LEGAL - Not Applicable. Okanog	eep to better provide	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 prod - Fuels man - Road man	agement	12/2022	John Dow 719-250-5311 john.dow@usda.gov					
EA	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	ger District, Cle Elum Ranger Distron. COUNTY - Chelan, Kittitas, Oving fire perimeters from north to s Twentyfive Mile, Jolly Mountain, ar	kanogan, Yakima. LEC outh:Diamond Creek, N	GAL - Not Applica	able. The project is			

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 (exclud	ling Projects occurring in	more than one Dist	rict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region
Box Canyon Trail CE	- Recreation manageme	nt Comp	leted	Actual: 06/27/2022	07/2022	Paul Willard 509-682-4960 paul.willard@usda.gov
		approximately 5 ake Chelan.	miles of non-motorized trail	from 25 Mile Creek H	lelibase to Box Ca	nyon on the south
	Web Link: http://www	.fs.usda.gov/proj	ject/?project=43304			
			rict. STATE - Washington. ed trail would be located no			20E, Sections 14,

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Cle	Elum Ranger Distri	ct (excluding Projects occurring	in more than one Di	strict) R6 - P	acific Northwest Region			
Gold Creek Valley Restoration EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fis	sh, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/13/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2023	Expected:12/2023	09/2024	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 this valued site. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57415 								
	Location:	.ocation: 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 *UPDATED*	- Minerals ar	nd Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2023	Expected:07/2023	07/2023	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.gov/project/?project=59948								
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Washingto is in the Swauk watershed, north of			pplicable. The			

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Cle	Elum Ranger Distrie	ct (excluding Projects occurring	in more than one Di	strict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region
Swauk Mining Plans of Operation Analysis EA	- Minerals ar	nd 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 ⁵ 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 *UPDATED*	 Recreation Heritage remanagemen Wildlife, Fi Grazing m Forest production Vegetation (other than feed to be an an	t sh, Rare plants anagement ducts management prest products) agement I management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 09/15/2022	Expected:12/2022	04/2023	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: UNIT - Cle Elum Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Kittitas. LEGAL - T19N R14E, T19N R15E, T18N R15E. The project area encompasses the Taneum Drainage, specifically focused on the North Fork Taneum Watershed and the Taneum Creek Watershed. These areas are accessed primarily via FS rd 3300 and 3330.					on the North Fork

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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:01/2023	02/2023	Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov
	Web Link:http://www.fs.usda.Location:UNIT - Entiat Range	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 occu	urring in more than o	ne 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:02/2023	03/2023	Margaret Trebon 509-996-4032 Margaret.Trebon@usda .gov
	Acquired lands wou Successional Reserved Location: UNIT - Methow Vall	NFS lands in four locations would b Ild be designated as Forest Plan M rves. ley Ranger District. STATE - Wash e in vicinity of Early Winters Creek,	anagement Area 5/Ma nington. COUNTY - C	trix or Managem Dkanogan. LEGA	ent Área 5/Late AL - Not Applicable.
South Creek Trail #401 Reroute CE		In Progress: Scoping Start 09/23/2022	Expected:04/2023	06/2023	Rosemary Seifried 509/996-4021 rosemary.seifried@usd a.gov
	Location: UNIT - Methow Vall	South Creek Trail #401 to minimize ley Ranger District. STATE - Wash Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness. T34N	nington. COUNTY - C) kanogan. LEG	AL - Not Applicable.

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Met	now Valley Ranger	District (excluding Projects occu	urring in more than o	one R6 - Pa	acific Northwest Region		
Suspension Bridge Trailhead CX Toilet CE	- 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:	Description: Install a concrete vault toilet (CXT style) to a popular trailhead to address health and sanitation concerns related to properly disposing of human waste.						
	Location:		lley Ranger District. STATE - Wasł ks-Foster Suspension Bridge off Go	0	0			
Waterline Special Use Permit Renewals CE *UPDATED*	- Special use	emanagement	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/29/2021	Expected:02/2023	02/2023	Robert George 509-996-4062 robert.george@usda.go v		
OPDATED	Description: Renew 21 special use authorizations for existing waterlines less than 12" diameter with no change in the scope or intensity of permitted activities.							
	Location:		lley Ranger District. STATE - Wash ated across district in the Methow R					

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Nach	es Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurr	ing in more than one Distri	ct) R6 - F	Pacific Northwest Region	
Little Naches River Restoration, RM 3.25-4.49 (Longmire Levee)	- Wildlife, Fish - Watershed r		Completed	Actual: 04/19/2022	06/2022	Gary Torretta 509-653-1433	
EA	- Climate Cha	inge Adaptation				gary.torretta@usda.gov	
	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 Naches Ranger District, in the Little Naches River watershed.						pplicable. On the	

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Nac	hes Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurring in	more than one Dist	rict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region		
Little Naches Upland Restoration EA *UPDATED*	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Forest products Fuels management Watershed management 		Completed	Actual: 11/02/2022	11/2022	Jamey Basye 509-852-1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v		
	Description: Web Link:	 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 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.						
Pacific Power Distribution Line Rebuild - Nile Hendrix Project EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management		In Progress: Scoping Start 01/29/2021 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2023	Expected:01/2024	01/2024	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 HWY 410 ROW (construct 14 linear miles); eight miles of distribution line will be removed from the current transmission right of way on Forest.							
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=59210					
	Location:	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		Completed	Actual: 06/17/2022	08/2022	Lee Ellis 503-808-2121 lee.I.ellis@usda.gov		
	Description:	escription: Construct an AT&T FirstNet communication tower to enhance communications needed by first responders, search and rescue, disaster response and recovery, and everyday mobile users.						
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60962						
	Location:	UNIT - Naches Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tower will be constructed on FSR 1302, near the Jump Off lookout tower.						

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

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Mission Ridge Lighting CE CE	 Recreation management Special use management 		Completed	Actual: 04/20/2022	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: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61741 							
		UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mission Ridge ski area.						
Mission Ridge Magic Carpet Installation Project CE	- Special use management		Completed	Actual: 07/22/2022	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: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62548							
	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Pika Peak beginner area at Mission Ridge.							
Mission Ridge Ski and Board Resort Expansion Project EA	- Recreation m - Special use r		In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 02/26/2020	Expected:02/2023	02/2023	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g ov		
	 Description: Project is to amend the Mission Ridge Special Use Permit, building a new access road, constructing new alpine ski lifts and ski runs on Forest Service lands. 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. Mission Ridge is about 8 miles southwest of Wenatchee, WA.						

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Upper Wenatchee Pilot Project EA *UPDATED*	- Fuels management		In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/13/2021	Expected:02/2023	03/2023	Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov		
OFDATED	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							
	Location: UNIT							

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