

Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 07/01/2023 to 09/30/2023

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

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Project Name	Proje	ect Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring Nationwide						
Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations Orders	s, Directives,	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fe d.us
	Description: Web Link:	locatable minerals or review/comment in	nt of Agriculture proposes revision operations on National Forest Systellate 2020 gov/project/?project=57214			
	Location:	UNIT - All Districts-l regulations apply to	level Units. STATE - All States. Co all NFS lands open to mineral entresta.gov/science-technology/geolog	ry under the US minin	g laws. More Inform	nation is available
Nationwide Aerial Application of Fire Retardant on National Forest System Land. EIS *UPDATED*	- Regulations Orders	s, Directives,	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/11/2022 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2023	Expected:07/2023	01/2024	Laura Conway 406-802-4317 laura.conway@usda.go v
GIBAILD	Description:	Programmatic Supp Land.	plemental EIS for the Nationwide A	erial Application of Fir	e Retardant on Na	tional Forest System
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=60450			
	Location:		level Units. STATE - All States. C S will apply to use of aerially delive			•

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

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Projects Occurring in more than	one Region	(excluding Nationw	vide)			
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	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	r Ranger District, Mt Baker Ranger rs Ranger District, Three Rivers Ralivan Lake Ranger District, Olympic trict, Tonasket Ranger District. ST, Glacier, Lincoln, Clallam, Ferry, Is Not Applicable. The trail begins at 7 National Forests, 3 National Par	inger District, Republic National Forest All L FATE - Idaho, Montan Island, Jefferson, Okal t the Continental Divid	c Ranger District, N Inits, Priest Lake R a, Washington. C nogan, Pend Oreill de in Glacier Natior	Methow Valley Langer District, OUNTY - Bonner, e, Skagit, Stevens, hal Park and travels

R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)								
Region 6 Elite Tree Protection Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation	h, Rare plants management prest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2023	Expected:09/2023	09/2023	Claire Ellwanger 509-860-2463 claire.ellwanger@usda. gov		
NEW LISTING	Description: Web Link:	cription: The Pacific Northwest Region is collaborating with nine Forests to develop a region-wide project to protect whitebark pine trees (Pinus albicaulis) that have a high level of white pine blister rust resistance.						
	Location:	UNIT - Malheur Nat Forest All Units, Wa Deschutes National Colville National Fo Okanogan, Pend O Jefferson, Klamath,	ional Forest All Units, Mt Baker-Snallowa-Whitman National Forest All Forest All Units, Fremont-Winema rest All Units. STATE - Oregon, W reille, Skagit, Snohomish, Stevens, Lake, Lane, Union, Wallowa. LEG ster-rust resistant white-bark pine t	Units, Okanogan-Wer National Forest All United Pashington. COUNTY Whatcom, Yakima, B BAL - Not Applicable. N	natchee National nits, Umatilla Nati - Chelan, Ferry, aker, Deschutes, National Forest ur	Forest All Units, ional Forest All Units, King, Kittitas, Douglas, Grant, nits, typically high		

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Motorized Travel Management	- Recreation - Road man	management agement	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sendi Kalcic 575-682-5307 sendi.kalcic@usda.gov	
	Description: Web Link:	Management Rule. address over-the-sr	ills/areas open to motorized vehicle Roads/trails/areas not designated now motorized use. gov/project/?project=46467				
	Location:		Venatchee National Forest All Units . LEGAL - Not Applicable. Okanog				
Planning and Management of Domestic Sheep and Goat Grazing within the Range of Bighorn Sheep	- Grazing ma	anagement	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	
	Description :	Pescription: Proposal to amend Land and Resource Management Plans to provide forest plan direction for managing domestic sheep and goat grazing within the range of Bighorn sheep to better provide for bighorn sheep viability in the context of range management.					
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=53257				
	Location:		Venatchee National Forest All Units . LEGAL - Not Applicable. Okanog				

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:	and additional road	es danger tree removal along 452 rs will be closed in the future withougov/project/?project=62402			are currently closed			
	Location:	STATE - Washingto located in the follow	JNIT - Chelan Ranger District, Cle Elum Ranger District, Naches Ranger District, Methow Valley Ranger District. ETATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan, Kittitas, Okanogan, Yakima. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is ocated in the following fire perimeters from north to south: Diamond Creek, Mcleod, Cub Creek 2, Cedar Creek, Crescent Moutain, Twentyfive Mile, Jolly Mountain, and Schneider Springs.						

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National I	Forest Chelan Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurring in	more than one Dist	rict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region
Cooper Ridge Fuel Break Project	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:12/2023	01/2024	Andrew Hall 307-739-5425 andrew.hall@usda.gov
NEW LISTING		g roads and historic fuel breaks to r gov/project/?project=64352	educe risk of wildfire.		
	T29N, R22E, S5-9, counties, approximate	ger District. STATE - Washington. 15-16, 20-22, 27-30, 33-35; T28N, ately 38 miles north of Wenatchee 20-22, 27-30, 33-35; T28N, R22E,	R22E, S2, 5-6, 8, 11- and 5 miles west of H	-13. within Chelan	and Okanogan

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Cle l	Elum Ranger Distri	ct (excluding Projects occurring	in more than one Dis	strict) R6 - Pa	acific Northwest Region	
Gold Creek Valley Restoration EA	- Wildlife, Fis	h, 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 significant mortality, reconnecting the creek and floodplain, and restoring natural processes. Pro this valued site.							
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=57415				
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Washingto 23, 26, 27, 34, 35; T 21N, R 11E, S Keechelus.				
Potato Patch Plan of Operation EA	- Minerals an	d 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 s	submitted Plan of Operation for place	cer mining on claims a	ssociated with the	Potato Patch mine.	
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59948						
	Location:		anger District. STATE - Washingto		•	oplicable. The	

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Okanogan-Wenatchee Nationa	I Forest Cle Elum Ranger Dis	strict (excluding Projects occurring	in more than one Di	strict) R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region
Swauk Mining Plans of Operation Analysis EA	- Minerals and 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
	fulfill responsibili Management Ac	analyze ten mining Plans of Operation ties established by the 1872 Mining L t of 1976. da.gov/project/?project=56466			
	R.17E., Sections	Ranger District. STATE - Washingto s 1, 3, 10, 11 12; T.20N., R.18E., Sect Sections 19, 30; W.M. Claims are loca	ion 6, 13, 34; T.21N.,	R.17E., Sections 1	
Taneum Restoration Project EA *UPDATED*	 - Land management planning - Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management 	Completed	Actual: 04/11/2023	05/2023	Jamey Basye 509-852-1042 Jamey.Basye@usda.go v
	fuel patterns to in habitat loss Web Link: http://www.fs.use Location: UNIT - Cle Elum R15E, T18N R15	valuating opportunities for the restorate mprove forest resiliency to severe insended.gov/project/?project=53450 Ranger District. STATE - Washingto SE. The project area encompasses the hed and the Taneum Creek Watershe	ect, disease, and wildf on. COUNTY - Kittitas e Taneum Drainage, s	ire disturbances ar s. LEGAL - T19N I specifically focused	nd reduce the risk of R14E, T19N I on the North Fork

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Upper Swauk Restoration EA *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management - Climate Change Adaptation	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:07/2024	07/2024	Joseph Rausch 541-575-3141 joseph.rausch@usda.go v
	greater resilience, recreation/access r Web Link: http://www.fs.usda. Location: UNIT - Cle Elum R	tion to mitigate vegetation departure using commercial and noncommercial and noncommercial angement. gov/project/?project=63954 anger District. STATE - Washingto ect is 13 miles northeast of Cle Elum	ial thinning, prescribe	ed fire, aquatics act	ions, and

Okanogan-Wenatchee National	Forest Entiat Ra	nger District (excluding Projects occurring in I	more than one Distric	t) R6 - Pa	acific Northwest Region
Mad Roaring Mills Landscape Restoration Project EA *UPDATED*	Wildlife, Fish, RaFuels managemWatershed manRoad managem	ent agement	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 06/23/2022	Expected:07/2023	07/2023	Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov
S. 57.1.25	Description: Terr	estrial and Aqu	atic restoration treatments in Lower	r Mad, Roaring Creek,	Mills Creek-Entia	t River watersheds.
	Web Link: http:	//www.fs.usda.	gov/project/?project=59963			
			er District. STATE - Washington. ng the Lower Mad, Roaring Creek,			

	Methow Valley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one	R6 - Pacific Northwest Region
District)		

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Methow Valley Range	r District (excluding Projects occu	urring in more than o	one R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region		
Methow Valley Small Tracts Act Lands Conveyance CE	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/02/2021	Expected:02/2023	03/2023	Margaret Trebon 509-996-4032 Margaret.Trebon@usda .gov		
		NFS lands in four locations would bould be designated as Forest Plan Merves.					
		alley Ranger District. STATE - Wasl are in vicinity of Early Winters Creek					
MVRD Wolf Creek RNA Fence Replacement 2023 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/15/2023	Expected:08/2023	09/2023	Kelly Baraibar 509-996-4019 kelly.baraibar@usda.go v		
NEW LISTING	Description: Replacing fence that burned in a fire in its pre-fire location. 1.5 miles of fence replacement.						
		a.gov/project/?project=64246					
		alley Ranger District. STATE - Wasl arch Natural Area at 48¿30' N. latitud			- Not Applicable.		
Midnight Restoration Project EA *NEW LISTING*	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Forest products Vegetation management (other than forest products) Fuels management Watershed management Road management Climate Change Adaptation 	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/11/2023 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 11/2023	Expected:06/2023	07/2024	Margaret Trebon 360-333-0835 Margaret.Trebon@usda .gov		
	Description: Landscape-scale wildfire risk reduction and terrestrial restoration project in Rader Creek, lower Wolf Creek, and upper Twisp River drainages. Excludes Lake Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness.						
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda	a.gov/project/?project=63933					
	Location: UNIT - Methow V West/northwest o	alley Ranger District. STATE - Wasl Twisp, WA.	nington. COUNTY - (Okanogan. LEGAL	- Not Applicable.		

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Met	how Valley Ranger	District (excluding Projects occu	ırring in more than c	ne R6 - Pa	cific Northwest Region		
South Creek Trail #401 Reroute CE *UPDATED*	Recreation management Projects that may affect Wilderness (for mailing list contacts)		Completed	Actual: 04/02/2023	06/2023	Rosemary Seifried 509/996-4021 rosemary.seifried@usd a.gov		
	Description: Web Link:	Description: Relocate 0.4 mi of South Creek Trail #401 to minimize travel across private inholding.						
	Location:		ley Ranger District. STATE - Wash Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness. T34N			Not Applicable.		
Suspension Bridge Trailhead CX Toilet CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation	management	Completed	Actual: 06/05/2023	06/2023	Rosemary Seifried 509/996-4021 rosemary.seifried@usd a.gov		
	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. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62939							
	Location: UNIT - Methow Valley Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Okanogan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Trailhead for Tawlks-Foster Suspension Bridge off Goat Creek Road, Mazama, WA. Township 36N, R20E, Section 32.							
Waterline Special Use Permit Renewals CE	- Special use	e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/29/2021	Expected:02/2023	02/2023	Robert George 509-996-4062 robert.george@usda.go v		
	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: UNIT - Methow Valley Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Okanogan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Waterlines are located across district in the Methow River, Twisp River, Chewuch River, Rader Cr, Libby Cr, and Gold Cr drainages.							

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

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Pacific Power Distribution Line Rebuild - Nile Hendrix Project EA	- Special use manag		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.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. 					

Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Wer	atchee River Rang	er District (excluding Projects of	ccurring in more than	one R6 - P	acific Northwest Region		
Blewett Pass Communication Site CE	- Special use management		Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2023	Expected:08/2023	09/2023	Vincent Schoon 509-548-2585 vincent.schoon@usda.g ov		
	Description:	Replacement of a e	existing AT&T tower					
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63490							
	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Blewett Pass.							
Bomber Bowl Snowmaking Line Extension CE	1	management e management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/06/2023	Expected:05/2023	06/2023	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g		
	Description: The primary purpose of this project is to expand snowmaking within the existing Mission Ridge Ski Area boundary to cover the popular and sun-exposed northeast side of the Mission Ridge Ski Area.							
	Web Link:	: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63725						
	Location:	cation: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mission Ridge Ski Area.						

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Okanogan-Wenatchee National District)	Forest Wen	atchee River Rang	er District (excluding Projects or	ccurring in more that	n one R6 - Pa	ncific Northwest Region		
Chumstick to LP Restoration Project	- Fuels manag - Watershed	gement management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2023	Expected:11/2024	12/2024	Justin Gelb 530-964-3776 justin.gelb@usda.gov		
NEW LISTING	Description: Landscape scale terrestrial restoration project. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64247							
	Location:	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. general area is Chumstick, Lower Peshastin, Leavenworth surrounding area.						
Dry Creek FS7804 Underground Transmission Line Installation CE	- Special use	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/23/2022	Expected:05/2023	05/2023	Vincent Schoon 509-548-2585 vincent.schoon@usda.g ov		
	Description: Permit amendment to include construction, operation, and maintenance of 4000 feet of underground fiber and powerline in the Dry Creek FS 7804 Road Prism.							
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.	gov/project/?project=63491					
	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Dry Creek FS 7804 Road.							
Mission Ridge Chair 5 Project CE	- Recreation r - Special use	management management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/06/2023	Expected:05/2023	06/2023	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g ov		
	Description: The purpose of this project is to implement a project approved in the Mission Ridge Master Plan EA to install a new chair lift within the existing special use permit and ski area boundary (ref. pg. 16, 1.2.3.3 Bowl Four Lift -now called Chair 5.							
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63726							
	Location: UNIT - Wenatchee River Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Chelan. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mission Ridge Ski Area.							

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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:08/2023	08/2023	Mason Schuur 509-548-2566 mason.schuur@usda.g ov	
UPDATED	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.						
Upper Nason Creek Restoration CE	- Watershed	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/27/2023	Expected:05/2023	06/2023	McLain Johnson 509-548-2577 McLain.Johnson@usda. gov	
	Description: Increasing floodplain connectivity and stream cover and complexity in approximately 2 miles of stream. Project includes large wood placement and restoration of 2 unauthorized roads. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63492						
	Location:	UNIT - Wenatchee	River Ranger District. STATE - Wa ear the Cascade Meadows Church		- Chelan. LEGAL	- Not Applicable.	
Upper Wenatchee Pilot Project EA *UPDATED*	- Fuels man	sh, Rare plants agement I management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/08/2022	Expected:06/2023	06/2023	Paul Kelley 509-548-2583 paul.kelley@usda.gov	
GIBAILS	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: Location:						

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