



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2025 to 06/30/2025

National Forests In Texas

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Projects Occurring Nationwide					
Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions Across the National Forest System EIS *UPDATED*	- Land management planning	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jennifer McRae 202-791-8488 SM.FS.NFSWONGA@usda.gov
Description: Amend all land management plans for units of the National Forest System to include consistent direction to conserve and steward existing and recruit future old-growth forest conditions and to monitor their condition across planning areas of NFS.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=65356					
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forests and Grasslands (128 units).				
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 .					

National Forests In Texas, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R8 - Southern Region

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National Forests and Grasslands in Texas Wind Event Determination of NEPA Adequacy EA(DNA) *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Fuels management - Climate Change Adaptation - Carbon Stewardship	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Ira McWhorter 936-897-1068 ira.mcwhorter@usda.gov
	Description: Determination of NEPA Adequacy proposing the potential expansion of the existing, "Adaptive Management EA for Wind Events on the National Forests and Grasslands in Texas." to include increased salvage estimates and additional units. ---DNA associated project number: 39390				
	Location: UNIT - National Forests In Texas All Units. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina, Fannin, Houston, Jasper, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, Walker, Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forests and Grasslands in Texas.				
Oil and Gas Leasing Availability Analysis EIS *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Minerals and Geology	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 08/27/2019 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/2025	Expected:05/2026	06/2026	Amanda Bataineh 936-639-8580 amanda.bataineh@usda.gov
	Description: NFGT is preparing for an EIS to analyze and disclose effects of identifying areas available or unavailable for new oil and gas leasing, what stipulations would be applied to those available lands, and if any Forest Plan amendments would need to occur				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56882				
Location: UNIT - National Forests In Texas All Units. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina, Fannin, Houston, Jasper, Montague, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, Walker, Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forests and Grasslands in Texas.					

National Forests In Texas Angelina Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Angelina North/South Thinning Project CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2025	Expected:03/2026	04/2026	Ronald Hasken 936-897-1068 ronald.hasken@usda.gov
	Description: Thin overstocked stands in Angelina National Forest in Compartments 1, 7, 65, and 76 to further improve the RCW habitat, timber stand health and vigor.				
	Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina, San Augustine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located on the Angelina National Forest in Compartments 1, 7, and 65. Compartments 1 and 7 are located north of Hwy 103 and west of Hwy 147 and Compartment 65 is located north of Hwy 63.				

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Brahma Services II LLC - Intake and Water Lines CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/06/2025	Expected:03/2025	04/2025	Sherry Salcido 850-523-8584 Sherry.Salcido@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Brahma proposes installing a 10-12 inch above-ground water pipeline and pump system across 2.454 acres of newly proposed activity. This permit covers all water lines for Brahma within the Angelina National Forest.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67166</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Sabine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Angelina compartments 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 15.</p>				
Bullet Creek Mulching CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 03/27/2025	06/2025	Joey Silva 936-897-1068 joey.silva@usda.gov
	<p>Description: The purpose of this project is to reduce fire intensity, mitigate smoke management issues, and to help restore a more fire-adapted ecosystem. Mechanical mulching would reduce the amount of small and mid-sized fuels in the treatment area.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64363</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - San Augustine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Angelina NF Compartments 25 and 26 in San Augustine County, on the eastern shore of Sam Rayburn Reservoir.</p>				
C-55 Illegal Cut Area Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/31/2024	Expected:02/2025	03/2025	Charles Graziadei 423-338-3300 charles.graziadei@usda.gov
	<p>Description: The Forest Service proposes to implement planting activities on approximately 10 acres of National Forest System lands in Compartment 55, Angelina County. Native tree species (short leaf pine) and (bald cypress) will be planted to restore the site.</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina. LEGAL - Not Applicable. West of HWY 147 just south of Lake Sam Rayburn.</p>				

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National Forests In Texas	Angelina Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Utility ROW Along CR 3420 CE *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minerals and Geology - Special use management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/25/2025	Expected:03/2025	03/2025	Sherry Salcido 850-523-8584 Sherry.Salcido@usda.gov
Description: Installation of a natural gas and saltwater disposal pipeline, designation of a 50ft - wide utility corridor x 2,034 ft - length. During installation width would be 75ft with 25 ft restored after installation.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67505					
Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - San Augustine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. CR 3420, Compartment 25, San Augustine County.					

National Forests In Texas	Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Caddo Land Exchange EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land management planning - Land ownership management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/18/2024	Expected:03/2026	03/2026	Jeff Stoney 719-523-1702 jeffrey.stoney@usda.gov
Description: The proposed Caddo Land Exchange is a connected action to the Lake Ralph Hall Regional Water Supply Reservoir Project (Lake Ralph Hall Project), with approximately 351 acres of the Caddo National Grassland being within the defined project boundary.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63528					
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. All Federal and non-Federal lands proposed for exchange are in Fannin County, Texas and are within the same immediate area, with all exchange lands being located within a 2.5-mile radius.					
Powerline Corridor Unit 71 CE *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management 	Completed	Actual: 01/22/2025	01/2025	Marc Pons 940-627-5475 marc.pons@usda.gov
Description: Install a 0.77 acre (1,715 ft. x 20 ft.) powerline corridor across the eastern portion of Unit 71 on the LBJ National Grassland. Powerline will be overhead construction.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67306					
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Unit 71 LBJ National Grasslands, FSR 920 Wise County, TX.					

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National Forests In Texas Davy Crockett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region	
Access utilizing NFSR 503A & 503A1 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/23/2025	Expected:02/2025	02/2025	Leigh Vanpelt 936-639-8598 Leigh.Vanpelt@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Use and maintenance of existing closed National Forest System Roads 503A and 503A1 by neighboring landowner to access said land. Rights-of-way will be 5,161.86 feet (0.98 mile) in length with a 15-foot width (1.78 acres).</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67507</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Part of the B H Caraway Survey, Abstract 292 within Houston County, Texas.</p>				
Access utilizing NFSR 596B CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/18/2024	01/2025	Leigh Vanpelt 936-553-3443 Leigh.Vanpelt@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Use and maintenance of closed National Forest System Road 596B by neighboring landowner to access said land. Right-of-way will be 1,430 feet by 20 feet in width (0.66 acre).</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67348</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Part of the S English Survey, Abstract 383 within Houston County, Texas.</p>				
Apple Springs EA *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/10/2024 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2025	Expected:06/2025	02/2026	Kerry Hogg 936-655-2299 kerry.hogg@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Utilizing management techniques including thinning and regeneration to reduce off-site loblolly pine in the project area and improve forest health, wildlife habitat, and overall stand condition.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=66365</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston, Trinity. LEGAL - Not Applicable. compartments 108-111 and 119-121 in and adjacent to the Neches River Flood zone. The compartments lie west of TX-94 in Helmick, north of FM2501, and east of FM 2262.</p>				

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Apple Springs new EA *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 02/23/2025 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2025	Expected:07/2025	10/2025	Kerry Hogg 936-655-2299 kerry.hogg@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Utilizing management techniques including thinning and regeneration to reduce off-site loblolly pine in the project area and improve forest health, wildlife habitat, and overall stand condition.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67707</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston, Trinity. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 108-111 and 119-121 in and adjacent to the Neches River Flood zone. The compartments lie west of TX-94 in Helmick, north of FM2501, and east of FM 2262.</p>				
NFSR 5262 Road Widening CE *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management 	Completed	Actual: 02/26/2025	01/2025	Leigh Vanpelt 936-553-3443 Leigh.Vanpelt@usda.gov
	<p>Description: To remove 730 linear feet (0.05 acre) of road backslope to widen the existing road to a uniform width of 20 feet.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67350</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. JAS Patton Survey, Abstract 808 in Houston County, Texas.</p>				
Timberwood Management Corp., c/o Voyager Group Ltd. Road Access Permit CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management 	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Frank Stranimier 936-344-6205 Ex. 6244 Francis.Stranimier@usda.gov
	<p>Description: Issuance of a Special Use Permit for the use of NFSR 526 located in Compartment 7 of the Davy Crockett NF. The road is located approximately 8 miles northwest of Kennard, TX.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46330</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located in compartment 7 of the Davy Crockett NF, approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of FM 1733 and NFSR 526, 8 miles northwest of Kennard, TX.</p>				

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National Forests In Texas	Davy Crockett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Utility corridors along FM 3317, Lacy 2 Road, and Fannin Jeffery Road CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/18/2024	01/2025	Leigh Vanpelt 936-553-3443 Leigh.Vanpelt@usda.gov
UPDATED	<p>Description: Designation of utility corridors totaling 3,454.99 linear feet (0.65 mile) and 0.79 acre.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67352</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Trinity. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along FM 3317, Lacy 2 Road, and Fannin Jeffery Road in Trinity County, Texas.</p>				

National Forests In Texas	Sabine Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Brookland Thinning Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 03/12/2025	03/2025	Matthew Bailey 936-897-1068 matthew.s.bailey@usda.gov
UPDATED	<p>Description: Thinning of over stocked stands in the area of Brookland TX in compartments 88, 124, 125, and 126 for a total of 4,159 acres</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64893</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Sabine Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Jasper, Sabine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. along the corridors of US 96 and FM 201 in Sabine ad Jasper Counties in the South Moore Plantation WMA.</p>				
Geneva Thinning Project CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/28/2023	Expected:01/2025	02/2025	Barton Davis 936-655-2299 barton.davis@usda.gov
	<p>Description: To thin overstocked pine plantation stands to improve forest health, reduce hazardous fuel loading, reduce risk of SPB infestations, and improve wildlife habitat.</p>				
	<p>Location: UNIT - Sabine Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby. LEGAL - Not Applicable. South of FM139, East of TX147, South and southwest of TX87, and North of TX103.</p>				

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Hayden Town Thinning Project EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/12/2025	Expected:12/2025	01/2026	Matthew Bailey 936-897-1068 matthew.s.bailey@usda.gov
	Description: Thinning project in Compartment 129 in the Moore Plantation WMA in Sabine County. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64901				
	Location: UNIT - Sabine Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Sabine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 129 in the Moore Plantation WMA in Sabine County.				
Pine Hills Thinning CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/28/2024	Expected:04/2025	05/2025	Matthew Bailey 936-897-1068 matthew.s.bailey@usda.gov
	Description: The proposed project area is within the Moore Plantation Wildlife Management Area (WMA). It consists of Sabine National Forest Administrative Compartments 127, 132, and 135, which consist of approximately 3,479 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64894				
SRA Recreation Area Capital Improvements and Maintenance Project CE	- Recreation management - Facility management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Tom Zimmerman 409-625-1940 tzimmerman@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Sabine River Authority as part of their obligations under their recently re-issued Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license, is proposing to implement a plan involving improvements to 4 recreation areas on the Sabine NF.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48045				
National Forests In Texas Sam Houston Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region	

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National Forests In Texas	Sam Houston Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Butch Arthur CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/28/2024	Expected:12/2024	02/2025	Robert Allen 936-337-7058 robert.allen2@usda.gov
<p>Description: Butch Arthur Project would include pine and hardwood thinning, mechanical mulching, and prescribed burning to move stand conditions toward the desired future condition for RCW habitat and reduce the risk of SPB outbreak and wildfire effects.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67077</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - San Jacinto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Comp. 95 and 96 are approx. 6 mi. SW of Coldspring, Tx, east of FM 945, and mostly south of Butch Arthur Rd. Comp 100 is approx. 9 mi SSW of FM 945. Comp 101 is approx. 4.25 mi SSW of Coldspring.</p>					
Compartment 52, 54, 68 Mulching Project CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/17/2024	Expected:12/2024	01/2025	Nia Hicks 9363377099 nia.hicks@usda.gov
<p>Description: This project would involve removing small to mid-sized woody vegetation utilizing a combination of mechanical treatment and hand tools to improve the diversity, increase herbaceous vegetation, and mitigate smoke management issues.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=66039</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This proposed mulching project would take place in compartments 52, 54 and 68 of the Sam Houston National Forest.</p>					
Harmon Creek Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 11/16/2023	Expected:03/2025	04/2025	Robert Allen 936-337-7058 robert.allen2@usda.gov
<p>Description: The forest proposes thinning overstocked stands, prescribed burning, and planting of native species to reduce risk of SPB infestation and improve wildlife habitat for RCW.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64530</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located in Compartments 59-63 in Walker County, Tx. Compartments lie in north central portion of the Forest, north of state HWY 90, and approximately 2.5 miles East of Huntsville, Texas.</p>					

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National Forests In Texas	Sam Houston Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Pine Valley Utility ROW CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/15/2025	01/2025	Edwin Davis 936-337-7057 edwin.d.davis@usda.gov
<p>Description: Approval of special use to install 7.533 ft x 10 ft of underground fiber optic utilities to rural community.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67327</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - San Jacinto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Existing ROW along FM 2693, Risner Rd, Harper Rd, McKinzie Ln, McKinzie Rd, Countryman Rd, and Goerlich Rd in Pine Valley area of San Jacinto County. Compartment 84.</p>					
Utility ROW from Osburn Rd to FM149 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/15/2025	01/2025	Edwin Davis 936-337-7057 edwin.d.davis@usda.gov
<p>Description: Designating a 18,527 ft by 10 ft utility corridor. A 12-inch diameter natural gas pipeline would be installed by boring under an existing smaller diameter pipeline.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=67418</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 29-32 along Tracts J-1-III and J-1-IV.</p>					
Utility Rights-of-Way Corridor along FM 1374 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/15/2025	01/2025	Edwin Davis 936-337-7057 edwin.d.davis@usda.gov
<p>Description: Install (approximately 3,237' X 10') underground power along the North side of FM 1374 from an existing aerial line east to the entrance of Texas Grand Ranch subdivision.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=66734</p>					
<p>Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. North side of FM 1374; compartments 47 & 48, tracts J-1-I & J-12U, within Walker County TX, in the Moore Grove Quad.</p>					

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