



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2022 to 06/30/2022

Ottawa 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 *UPDATED*	- 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.				

Ottawa National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)

R9 - Eastern Region

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Ottawa National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R9 - Eastern Region
2022 N. Zone New Special Use Permits CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2022	Expected:09/2022	09/2022	Shawn Brown 906-285-6913 shawn.brown@usda.gov
	Description: Motorized Access to private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Bergland Ranger District, Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Houghton, Ontonagon. LEGAL - T48NR40W SENE 1/4, NWNE 1/4 Sect 31,T49NR41W Sect18 NW1/4 NWNE, T49NRR41W Sect 2 SENE. T50NR36W Section 23 SESE SWSE SESW NWSW, and T50N R37W Section 29 S1/2SW Section 32 NWNW. Berland and Ontonagon Districts.				
Baraga II Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management - Climate Change Adaption	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/16/2021 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2022	Expected:08/2022	09/2022	Christopher Kovala 906-852-3500 christopherskovala@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Baraga II VMP includes approximately 21,674 acres within Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Iron Counties, Michigan. Approximately 865 of these acres are comprised of jack pine stands located outside of the primary project area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=60519				
Location: UNIT - Kenton Ranger District, Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga, Houghton, Iron, Ontonagon. LEGAL - T48N,R35W,S1-3,10-15,22-24,26-27;T49N,R35W,1-3,10-15,22-26,35-36;T50N,R35W 13,23-26,34-36;T47N,R35W,19,30-31;T47N,R37W,2-3;T48N,R35W,S7-8,16-21;T48N,R36W,5-6,8,17;T48N,R37W,1,8-9,16-20,22,29-3, etc. The Baraga II VMP is located within Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Iron Counties, Michigan. Iron and Ontonagon counties only include scattered jack pine stands outside of the primary project area.					

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Sun Lake Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Minerals and Geology - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 02/04/2022	Expected:03/2022	04/2022	Christine Makuck 906-358-4032 christine.makuck@usda.gov
	Description: Project proposal includes activities associated with vegetation management, wildlife habitat, fire and fuels, old growth classification, aquatic resource, transportation system, designated public motorized access and non-motorized trails, and gravel.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59508				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District, Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic, Iron. LEGAL - T43N, R39W Sec 1-5; T44N, R37W Sec 3-9, 17-19; T44N, R38W Sec 1-36; T44N, R39W Sec 1-36; T44N, R40W Sec 2-4; T45N, R37W Sec 15-24, 26-34; T45N, R38W Sec 7, 8, 13-36; T45N, R39W Sec 13, 14, 19-36;T45N, R 40W Sec 13, 21-28, 33-36. The project area is in the vicinity of Watersmeet, Michigan.				

Ottawa National Forest	Bergland Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Bergland New Use - FR696,696-C CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/18/2021	11/2021	Shawn Brown 906-285-6913 spbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access is requested to utilize Forest system and non-system travelways to their private land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51754				
	Location: UNIT - Bergland Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T50N, R40W, Sections 3, 4, 9, 10, 16. Approximately 8 miles south of Ontonagon on Norwich Road, then 6 miles east on Forest Road 690, to 696, then 696-C north into the NWNW corner of Section 3.				

Ottawa National Forest	Iron River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
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Ottawa National Forest Iron River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2130 M Trail Association - Special use road request CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/06/2020	Expected:04/2022	05/2022	Michelle Holland 906-358-4021 mholland@fs.fed.us
	Description: proposal for a special use road permit that covers Forest Road 2130-M for use and maintenance to access private property. Approximately 0.45 miles of road. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57237				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T46N, R35W, Sec. 26, SWSW, SESW. Forest Road 2130-M on the east side of Perch Lake.				
Iron River New Use - FR3460 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/30/2021	03/2022	Michelle Holland 906-358-4021 mholland@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposal is to issue a long-term special use permit to landowners for use and maintenance of FR 3460 and other existing roads approx. 0.83 miles in length on NFS lands in order to access private property. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50897				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T44N, R36W, Sec. 1, SESE, SENW; Sec. 12, N1/2NW and T44N, R35W, Sec. 6, SESW. Project is located off of CR 657, approx. 2 miles west of its intersection with Gibbs City Road.				
Iron River New Uses - FR2184 and 4020 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/30/2021	03/2022	Michelle Holland 906-358-4021 mholland@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposal is to issue special use permits on Federal roads for landowner use to access private land. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50361				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T44N, R37W, Sec 9 and 10; T45N, R35W, Sec 25 and 26. Forest Roads 2184, 4020 and 4020-A.				
Iron River New Uses - FR3409 and 3212 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/30/2021	03/2022	Michelle Holland 906-358-4021 mholland@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposal is to issue three special use permits on Federal roads for landowner use to access private land. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47267				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T43N, R37W, Sec. 10; T45N, R36W, Sec. 8. Forest Roads 3212, 3409, and 3476 on the Iron River District.				

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Mallard Lake, South 3340 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/30/2021	03/2022	Michelle Holland 906-358-4021 mholland@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposal is to issue a special use permit for existing roads, in order to access private land. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50348				
	Location: UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T45N, R37W, Sec. 21. Non-system roads on the south side of FR 3340, approx. 1.5 miles west of FH16.				

Ottawa National Forest Kenton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Tepee Lake Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Minerals and Geology - Road management 	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 03/18/2022	Expected:05/2022	06/2022	Christopher Kovala 906-852-3500 christopherskovala@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Tepee Lake VMP is located on the Kenton and Iron River Ranger Districts, in Houghton, Iron, and Ontonagon Counties, Michigan. The project area includes approximately 45,940 acres, of which about 33,021 acres are National Forest System lands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59634				
	Location: UNIT - Kenton Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Houghton, Iron, Ontonagon. LEGAL - T47N, R37W, Sec 13-14, 24-28, 32-36; T45N, R36W Sec 5-7; T45N, R37W Sec 1-4, 10-15; T46N, R38W Sec 10-15, 24; T46N, R37W Sec 1-27, 33-36; T46N, R36W Sec 3-10, 15-22 and 27-34. The Tepee Lake VMP is located on the Kenton and Iron River Ranger Districts, in Houghton, Iron, and Ontonagon Counties, Michigan.				

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Hash Creek Special Use Permit Proposal EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2022	Expected:07/2022	08/2022	Christine Makuck 906-358-4032 christine.makuck@usda.gov
	Description: Vehicle access on an existing non-system road for approximately 0.61 miles (3,220ft. or 1.49 acres). Access will require brushing and tree removal for 0.19 miles of road construction to avoid sensitive soils and hydrological features.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61064				
	Location: UNIT - Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Access is located in T49N R38W Section 3, Ontonagon County, MI.				

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