

Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA) 07/01/2025 to 09/30/2025

Monongahela National Forest

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Statu	s Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact				
Projects Occurring Nationwide									
Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A.	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sarah Shoemaker 907-586-7886 sarahshoemaker@fs.fe d.us				
	locatable mir	escription: 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	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214							
	regulations a	istricts-level Units. STATE - All S apply to all NFS lands open to mi ww.fs.usda.gov/science-technolog	neral entry under the US mini	ng laws. More Infori	mation is available				

Monongahela National Forest, F	ela National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest) R9 - Eastern Region									
Red Spruce Restoration Project EA	- Forest products - Vegetation management		In Progress: Scoping Start 08/06/2024 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2025	Expected:10/2025	11/2025	Jessie Howard 540-492-1728 jessie.howard@usda.go v				
	Description: Web Link: Location:	and the National Forestoration. https://www.fs.usda	onal Forest, George Washington ar rests in North Carolina seek to imp .gov/r09/monongahela/projects/668 la National Forest All Units. STATE	olement large landscap	oe red spruce - fir (ecosystem				
	Location.	Pendleton, Pocahor	ntas, Randolph, Tucker, Webster. s on the Monongahela National Fol	LEGAL - Not Applicat	·					

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CHT102001-WVDNR Motus Radio Receiver Special Use Proposal	- Special us	sh, Rare plants e management and Development	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Sarah Heuer 304-635-4445 Sarah.Heuer@usda.gov			
CE	Description	Project cancelled, a	pplication withdrawn by proponent						
NEW LISTING	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=68282						
	Location:	STATE - West Virgi Ranger District: Bea	er District, Greenbrier Ranger Distr nia. COUNTY - Randolph, Tucke arden Knob Comm Tower, Bickle K ton Knob Repeater; Gauley Range	r, Webster. LEGAL - (nob Tower, Olson To	Not Applicable. Ch wer, Stuart Knob R	eat-Potomac			
Forestwide Flood Repairs on Roads and Trails CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation - Road man	management agement	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/19/2024	Expected:07/2025	08/2025	Amy Albright 304-257-4488 x7128 Amy.Albright2@usda.go v			
OFDATED	Description		rays Administration, we are proposi d trail bridges) incurred during flood						
	Location:	Gauley Ranger Dist	er District, Greenbrier Ranger Distr trict. STATE - West Virginia. COL able. Forest Roads 102/86/90/17/1 pp Horseshoe Trail, Thomas Rail T	JNTY - Grant, Pocaho 13/707/19 and William	ontas, Randolph, To s River Trail, Two	ucker, Webster.			
Parking Improvements for Forest Roads 19 and 75 CE *UPDATED*		management ea management agement	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/19/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov			
	Description: Improvements to parking sites along the eastern boundary of the Dolly Sods Scenic Area. Includes expansion, hardening, signage, new trail adoptions to the yellow birch tree/ North Fork overlooks, and decommissioning of the Forest Road 19 picnic area.								
	Web Link:	https://www.fs.usda	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/67	619					
	Location:	LEGAL - Not Applic	er District, Potomac Ranger Distric able. The proposal takes place wit lly Sods Wilderness. Specifically al	hin the Dolly Sods Sc	enic area, which fo				

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Baker Sods Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE *NEW LISTING*			In Progress: Scoping Start 04/07/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov	
	Description: Web Link:	Maintenance of Fore	native species, and fruit tree prunir est Roads 774 and 774B including .gov/r09/monongahela/projects/679	two small culvert inst			
	Location:	UNIT - Cheat Range	er District. STATE - West Virginia. eek Wilderness, north of Bickle Kn	COUNTY - Randolp			
Blackwater River Loop Trail Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation - Road man	management agement	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/21/2025 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 08/2025	Expected:12/2025	12/2025	Amy Albright 304-257-4488 x7128 Amy.Albright2@usda.go v	
O. SALES	Description:		er received a grant through Office (iking, biking and tourism in the Blac				
	Web Link:	https://www.fs.usda	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/608	885			
	Location:	south of the towns of	er District. STATE - West Virginia. of Davis and Thomas, WV, on land tate Park) and US Forest Service (l	owned by the WV Div	vision of Natural Re		
Elkins Area Shared Trails System (EAST): Phase 1 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/07/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov	
		Description: Proposal for approximately 15 miles of dual-purpose bike and hiking trails stretching between the Stuart Recreation Area and Bickle Knob. Proposal also includes two overlooks, improved parking areas, and constructing two trail bridges.					
	Web Link:	https://www.fs.usda	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/679	963			
	Location:		er District. STATE - West Virginia. ea and Bickle Knob outside of Elkir		h. LEGAL - Not A	pplicable. Around	

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Elklick Run Stream Restoration Project CE *UPDATED*			In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 04/04/2023	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov			
		escription: This project proposes to drain the Elk Lick Reservoir in the Fernow Experimental Forest and either partially or fully remove the dam which created the reservoir. This project also includes stream restoration around the Fernow experimental forest.							
	Web Link:	https://www.fs.usda	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/634	487					
	Location:	the Fernow Experim	er District. STATE - West Virginia. nental Forest, south of Parsons and ately 2.5 miles from the northern e	d Hambleton WV. The					
Olson Tower Loop Trail Project CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation - Heritage re managemen		In Progress: Scoping Start 05/03/2024	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov			
	Description: Includes a 1/2 mile of trail construction/reconstruction at Olson tower. Also includes parking improvements and creation of a 0.3 acre overlook near the tower.								
	Web Link: Location:	UNIT - Cheat Range	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/66 er District. STATE - West Virginia. Tower, on FR 717, near WV-48 bet	COUNTY - Tucker.		licable. The			

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Monongahela National Forest	Cheat/Potomac Ranger District	(excluding Projects occurring in	more than one Dist	rict)	R9 - Eastern Region			
Upper Cheat River EA EA *UPDATED*	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Forest products Vegetation management (other than forest products) Fuels management Watershed management Road management 	Completed	Actual: 04/01/2025	05/2025	Amy Albright 304-257-4488 x7128 Amy.Albright2@usda.go v			
	forest health & age stream/riparian con-	move the Upper Cheat watershed class diversity, providing recreation ditions. .gov/r09/monongahela/projects/583	n opportunities, and ir					
	Applicable. This 86,	er District. STATE - West Virginia. 138-acre project area is located no System land within the Upper Cheat	orth of Parsons, WV.					
Upper John B. Hollow Prescribed Burn Research Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Research and Development	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov			
OPDATED	Pescription: Proposed prescribed fire burn in the Fernow Experimental Forest for water quality research and wildlife habitat improvement. Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/67614							
		er District. STATE - West Virginia. the Fernow Experimental Forest, s						

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Monongahela National Forest	Gauley Ranger District (excludi	auley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R9 - Eastern Region								
Dogway Bridges Replacement CE CE	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/10/2024	Expected:06/2025	07/2025	Adrienne Nottingham 304-636-1800 adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov					
		ad-stream crossings (vented fords a eded to maintain safe access for pu			Road 78.					
		nger District. STATE - West Virginia Forest Road 78 in 3 locations where			pplicable. Gauley					
FR76 Landslide Repairs: Barrenshe and Cranberry Backcountry CE	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/16/2024	Expected:06/2025	07/2025	Adrienne Nottingham 304-636-1800 adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov					
		es repair two landslides on Forest I untry slide (mile post 14.88).	Road 76; at the Barre	nshe slide (mile po	st 2.17) and at the					
	Applicable. Barrens	nger District. STATE - West Virginia she slide -Forest Road 76 at mile po n Forest Road 76 at mile post 14.88	ost 2.17, approx 4mi N	I of Richwood, We						
Kennison Mountain	- Recreation management - Heritage resource	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/28/2024	Expected:03/2026	06/2026	Adrienne Nottingham 304-799-4334					
UPDATED	management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	Est. Comment Period Public Notice 09/2025			adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov					
	Description: The Kennison Mountain project area includes 69,448 acres located northeast of Richwood, West Virginia. This project primarily focuses on vegetation management, wildlife habitat improvements, watershed restoration and recreational enhancements. Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/67649									
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Webster. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project area is northeast of Richwood and spans the entirety of Cranberry River and Spring Creek watershed and lesser extents of Headwaters of Gauley and Williams River watersheds.									

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Monongahela National Forest	Gauley Ranger D	istrict (excludi	ng Projects occurring in more th	an one District)		R9 - Eastern Region		
Webster County Broadband Initiative Phase II Fiber Project	- Special use mar	nagement	Completed	Actual: 06/24/2025	06/2025	Adrienne Nottingham 304-799-4334 ext.		
CE *NEW LISTING*						7995527 adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov		
	aeri Ser	escription: Webster County Economic Development Authority is seeking a special use permit to install and maintain new aerial fiber line along existing utility corridors and roads. This project will intersect 200 feet (0.05 acres) of Forest Service lands.						
	Web Link: http	://www.fs.usda.	gov/project/?project=68093					
	proj	cation: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. LEGAL - Not Applicable proposed 200 feet of aerial fiber line that intersects Forest Service property is located about 1 mile nort the town of Bolair, WV.						

Monongahela National Forest	Greenbrier Ranger I	reenbrier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R9 - East						
Deer Creek Integrated Resource Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants		In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/16/2024	Expected:08/2025	09/2025	Amy Albright 304-257-4488 x7128 Amy.Albright2@usda.go v		
	recreat diversit Web Link: https:// Location: UNIT - The 89	ion and interpy and wildlife www.fs.usda.g Greenbrier R ,050-acre pro	improve stream habitat, riparian oretive opportunities, reduce fuel lo habitat. gov/r09/monongahela/projects/608 anger District. STATE - West Virgiect area is centered on the town of Sitlington Creek headwaters.	oads, encourage oak r 382 ginia. COUNTY - Poo of Green Bank, WV &	egeneration, and i cahontas. LEGAL contains Deer Cre	mprove forest - Not Applicable. eek, Greenbrier		

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Monongahela National Forest	Greenbrier R	anger District (excl	uding Projects occurring in more	e than one District)		R9 - Eastern Region		
Durbin Horse Trails: Phase 2 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/07/2025	Expected:06/2025	06/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov		
	Description: Web Link:	equestrian riding loc	nd reroute socially made and existions on the Greenbrier ranger districtions.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/679	ct. Features include tr		eate additional		
	Location:		Ranger District. STATE - West Virg t Road 44, in the Brancher/Grassy			- Not Applicable.		
Mower Basin Trails Final Phase CE 2025 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/21/2025	Expected:06/2025	07/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-3251 x5552123 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov		
	Description:	escription: This proposal includes new construction of approximately 2.89 miles of standard multi-use hiking and biking connector trails within the already existing Mower Basin Trail System.						
	Web Link:	http://www.fs.usda.g	gov/project/?project=68221					
	Location:		Ranger District. STATE - West Virged in the Mower Basin area, south					

Monongahela National Forest	Marlinton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R9 - Eastern Region					
Brushy Mountain Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Chad Stachowiak 304-799-4334 x7995535 Chad.Stachowiak@usd a.gov	
	Description: Create early successional wildlife habitat by mulching and enhance tree regeneration for species preferred by wildlife.					
	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda	Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/54154				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier. LEGAL - Not Applicable South of Minnehaha Springs, West Virginia in Greenbrier County.				lot Applicable.	

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Monongahela National Forest	Marlinton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R9 - Eastern Region						
Halfway Run Contemporary Trail System CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/17/2024	Expected:07/2025	08/2025	Adrienne Nottingham 304-636-1800 adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov		
OPDATED	Description: This project proposes the construction of 6.4 miles of sustainable multiple use singletrack trail system and the conversion of about 1.5 miles of an old woods road to a 36-inch wide doubletrack trail near Marlinton, WV. Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/66972						
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located approximately 0.3 miles east of the Marlinton Ranger Station in Pocahontas County, WV. The proposed trail system extends east and north of the Forest Service Office.						
Sitlington Creek - Greenbrier River Watershed Improvement EA	 Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants Forest products Vegetation management (other than forest products) Fuels management Watershed management Road management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/06/2024 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2025	Expected:10/2025	11/2025	Adrienne Nottingham 304-636-1800 adrienne.nottingham@u sda.gov		
	Description: Needs exist in the project area include wildlife habitat improvement. Possible treatments include vegetation management and prescribed fire. Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/62246						
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Pocahontas. LEGAL - Applicable. Boundary includes all of the Sitlington Creek-Greenbrier River watershed within the forest proclamation boundary. It centers around Marlinton, WV.						

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POT202002-Swallow Rock Bridge Repair Access Special Use Authorization	- Special use management		On Hold	N/A	N/A	John Barger 304-636-1800x232 john.barger@usda.gov	
CE	Description: The WV Division of Highways has applied to use 0.6 acres of Monongahela National Forest System lands to access an existing easement to perform repair work related to Swallow Rock Bridge.						
	Web Link:	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/65620					
	Location:		inger District. STATE - West Virginge is located near Whitmer, WV spa				
Potomac Area Trail System Improvement Project CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation	management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov	
	Description:	Description: New trail construction/connectors/trailheads around Peters Mtn, Rohrbaugh Cabin, Seneca Shadows, and North Fork Mtn Trail. Establish Forest Road (FR) 274 as a system trail, parking expansions at the FR 742, Rohrbaugh cabin, and FR 274 trailheads.					
	Web Link:	https://www.fs.usda	.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/670	615			
	Location:	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Pendleton, Randolph. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area, Peter%u2019s Mountain, North Fork Mountain, Smoke Hole Canyon, Seneca Shadows.					
Rohrbaugh Cabin and Hartman Cabin Restoration Projects CE *UPDATED* - Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Grazing management		esource t	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/10/2025	Expected:08/2025	08/2025	Nathaniel Dulaney 304-478-2000 x5552104 Nathaniel.Dulaney@usd a.gov	
	Description: Restoration of two cabins to turn into public rentals. Composting or pit toilets would be installed at both sites. The Hartmann Cabin requires 600' of new trail construction to access the North Fork Mtn. Trail. Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/r09/monongahela/projects/67622						
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Pendleton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Rohrbaugh Cabin is 2.5 miles south along Smoke Hole Road near Cabins, West Virginia. Hartman Cabin is on North Fork Mountain approximately 12 miles south of the North Fork Mtn. Trail Trailhead.				irginia. Hartman		

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