



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2023 to 09/30/2023

Chugach 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: 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.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.				

Chugach National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R10 - Alaska Region

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Chugach National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R10 - Alaska Region
Chugach National Forest Elodea Early Detection and Rapid Response EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/13/2022	Expected:09/2023	10/2023	Kate Mohatt 907-754-2348 Katherine.Mohatt@usda.gov
	Description: Adopt the language of the Programmatic Environmental Assessment of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Management Strategy for Elodea and Other Submersed Aquatic Invasive Plants in the Alaska Region as the Chugach NF's management strategy.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61687				
	Location: UNIT - Chugach National Forest All Units. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula, Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. All waterbodies within the Chugach National Forest.				
Outhouse replacement and/or relocation CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:05/2023	06/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Replace and/or relocate eight outhouses at: Carter Lake Trailhead, INHT/Trail of Blue Ice (x2), Johnson Pass Trailhead, Turnagain Pass Dey Use Area--motorized side (x2)and the Copper River Hwy MP 18 (One Eyed Pond) Day Use Area (x2).				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61338				
	Location: UNIT - Chugach National Forest All Units. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula, Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Eight developed site locations across the forest.				

Chugach National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R10 - Alaska Region
Facilities Decommissioning 2022 CE	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/20/2022	Expected:06/2023 Actual: 06/01/2022	07/2023	Jasmin Dalton 801-708-2871 Jasmin.Dalton@usda.gov
	Description: Decommission and remove facilities and rehabilitate administrative sites. Sites include: Kenai Lake Trailer Park (3 buildings), Schooner Bend pumphouse and well, Broadview Guard Station Bunkhouse #2, and Olsen Bay cabin and outhouse.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62230				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District, Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula, Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Broadview and Schooner Bend projects are at 46 and 13929 Sterling Hwy, Cooper Landing, AK; KLTP at 29677 Rock Ptarmigan Road, Moose Pass, AK; and Olsen Bay in Prince William Sound, AK.				

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Chugach National Forest Cordova Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Alaganik Slough Recreation Site Renovation CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:07/2023	09/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Various improvements to this recreation site, including replacing the vault toilet, reconstructing three day use pads and renovating two pads with covered structures.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61346				
	Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along Alaganik Road off the Copper River Highway, Cordova, AK.				
Port Chalmers Public Use Cabin Reconstruction CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:05/2023	06/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: This multi-year project will completely reconstruct the cabin and associated toilet.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61347				
	Location: UNIT - Cordova Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Valdez-Cordova. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The cabin is located at the southern end of Port Chalmers, on the northwest side of Montague Island at the entrance to Prince William Sound.				

Chugach National Forest Glacier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Alaska Department of Fish & Game 2021 Proposed Projects at the Cannery Creek Fish Hatchery. CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/05/2021	Expected:07/2023 Actual: 11/29/2021 10/05/2021	08/2023	Teresa Paquet 907-754-2314 teresa.paquet@usda.gov
	Description: Multiple projects have been proposed to upgrade the Cannery Creek Fish Hatchery site and address safety issues.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59579				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Anchorage. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Cannery Creek Fish Hatchery, located on the eastern shore of Unakwik Inlet, Prince William Sound.				

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Chugach National Forest Glacier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Begich, Boggs Visitor Center and Portage Lakefront Recreation Site Improvements CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:05/2023	05/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Relocate and reconstruct the walkway along the frontage of Portage Lake. The new walkway will at a higher elevation and tie into the INHT. A boardwalk on piles will also be constructed into the lake to provide a better viewing area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61340				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Begich, Boggs Visitor Center at Portage Lake, between Portage and Whittier.				
Center Ridge Trailhead Reconstruction CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:05/2023	05/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Decommission the two existing outhouses at the Center Ridge Parking Area (non-motorized side) and construct a new outhouse with trail further from the road. Funding permitting, construct two accessible, covered pavilions adjacent to the parking area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61345				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Center Ridge Trailhead (also known as the non-motorized Turnagain Pass Day Use Area-Snowpark) at the top of Turnagain Pass.				
Crow Creek Road Special Use Permit Action CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/01/2023	Expected:04/2023	04/2023	Eric Ganshert 907-754-2373 Eric.Ganshert@usda.gov
	Description: Glacier City Snowmobile Tours, LLC has applied for authorized guided snowmobile tours on the FS portion of Crow Creek Road. The proposed tours will occur up to two times a day, apprx. 10 min. each way, during Nov. - April.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63870				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Anchorage. LEGAL - T.01N. R.02E. Sec.28, Seward Meridian. The last mile of Upper Crow Creek Road, where FS jurisdiction begins.				

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Chugach National Forest Glacier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
Glacier Creek Bridge CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:09/2023	06/2024	William Brennan 907-754-2351 william.brennan@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a new bridge over Glacier Creek, along Winner Creek Trail, to replace the decommissioned Glacier Creek hand tram. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64285				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Over Glacier Creek, along Winner Creek Trail, in Girdwood, AK.				
Granite Creek Campground Cabin Construction CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:08/2023	06/2024	William Brennan 907-754-2351 william.brennan@usda.gov
	Description: Granite Creek Campground, located in Turnagain Pass on the Kenai Peninsula, construction of 2 new public use cabins. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64305				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Glacier Creek Campground near Hope, AK.				
Portage Pass Parking Area Reconstruction CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:07/2023	08/2023	William Brennan 907-754-2351 william.brennan@usda.gov
	Description: Reconstruction and expansion of a parking area for the Portage Pass Trailhead near Whittier, Alaska immediately adjacent to the Anton Anderson Memorial Tunnel, Alaska Railroad and the Portage Glacier Highway. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64297				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project are is near Whittier, Alaska and immediately adjacent to the Anton Anderson Memorial Tunnel, Alaska Railroad and the Portage Glacier Highway.				

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Spencer Bench Trail Bridge Replacement CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:07/2023	07/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Reconstruct a failing 32' trail bridge at approximately Mile 3 of the Spencer Bench Trail. Project funded by Great American Outdoors Act.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61336				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Spencer Bench Trail, approximately mile 3.				
Tincan Cabin CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:08/2023	06/2025	Darin Watschke 406-682-4253 darin.watschke@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a new public use cabin at Tincan, off of the Turnagain Pass Trail segment of the Iditarod National Historic Trail (INHT)				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64282				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along the Turnagain Pass Trail segment of the INHT, north of Center Ridge, on the west facing aspect of Tincan mountain.				
Trail of Blue Ice/Black Bear Campground Flood Repair CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:05/2023	05/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Install approximately 600 feet of elevated boardwalk along a segment of the INHT: Trail of Blue Ice, which frequently floods during high water events. Raise campsites at the adjacent Black Bear Campground approximately 14".				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61341				
	Location: UNIT - Glacier Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Iditarod National Historic Trail: Trail of Blue Ice and Black Bear Campground in Portage, Alaska.				

Chugach National Forest Seward Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R10 - Alaska Region
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Chugach National Forest Seward Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R10 - Alaska Region
AT&T Fiber Optic Cable Installation CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Buffie Cerutti 907-691-5383 buffie.stewart@usda.gov
	Description: AT&T has proposed the installation of 48 strand fiber optic cable (FOC) between Moose Pass and Cooper Landing. The installation will be a combination of aerial and buried line.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63241				
INHT-No-Name Bridge to Moose Pass Trail Construction CE *NEW LISTING*	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The installation will occur between Moose Pass, AK and Cooper Landing, AK.				
	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:06/2023	07/2023	Martha Story 907-288-7740 martha.story@usda.gov
	Description: Construction of Iditarod National Historic Trail (trail and bridges) from No-Name Creek to Moose Pass.				
Johnson Pass Trail reconstruction CE *NEW LISTING*	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64300				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Near mile 21 of the Seward Highway to the Moose Pass townsite.				
	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:06/2023	06/2023	Martha Story 907-288-7740 martha.story@usda.gov
Meridian Cabin CE *NEW LISTING*	Description: Trail reconstruction along with 15 bridge repairs and 2 bridge replacements and 2 small re-routes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64268				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Between mile 64 and mile 32.5 of the Seward Highway.				
Meridian Cabin CE *NEW LISTING*	Description: Trail reconstruction along with 15 bridge repairs and 2 bridge replacements and 2 small re-routes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64284				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along the east side of Meridian Lake adjacent to the lake shore, accessible via the Grayling Lake Trail and INHT.				

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Palmer Creek Subsistence Access and Aquatic Organism Passage Improvements CE	- Recreation management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/15/2021	Expected:01/2023	08/2023	Tyler Glenn 907-743-9508 Tyler.Glenn@usda.gov
	Description: Replacing two bridges and one overflow culvert along Palmer Creek Road.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61342				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Replace decaying bridge at MP 9.2, undersized culvert at MP 9.24 and collapsed bridge at MP 11.5, all along Palmer Creek Road near Hope, AK.				
Porcupine Cabin CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:08/2023	06/2024	Darin Watschke 406-682-4253 darin.watschke@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a new public use cabin within Porcupine Campground.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64283				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Between site 14 and 15 at Porcupine Campground, outside Hope, AK.				
Snow River Connector INHT CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2023	Expected:06/2023	08/2023	Martha Story 907-288-7740 martha.story@usda.gov
	Description: Connect Iditarod National Historic Trail sections from Primrose Road to Snow River Pedestrian Bridge and Bridge to Moose Pass Trail				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64266				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Near mile 17 and 18 of the Seward Highway.				
Victor Creek to No Name Trail Construction CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/01/2023	Expected:06/2023	06/2023	Martha Story 907-288-7740 martha.story@usda.gov
	Description: New trail construction from Victor Creek trail junction to No Name bridge site on the Iditarod National Historic Trail.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=64151				
	Location: UNIT - Seward Ranger District. STATE - Alaska. COUNTY - Kenai Peninsula. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Victor Creek trail junction - trailhead located at approximately mile post 20 of the Seward Highway.				

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