

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Schedule of Proposed Actions

Fall 2003

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Forest Supervisor Karyn Wood**

Proposal	Description	Location	Scoping Date	Estimated Decision Date	Expected NEPA Document *	Project Contact	Project Status **
Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell (541) 523-1230	Alternative Development
Pacific Northwest Amends Forest Plant Project	Plans to provide direction to enhance the Forest Service's ability to protect native ecosystems from invasive, non-native plants.	Oregon and Washington	18-Sep-02	01-May-04	EIS	Eugene Skrine (503) 326-4310	Alternative Development

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PFSR 73 Scoping	Reconstruction of public Forest Service Road 73 in three phases, beginning 1/2E fiscal year 2004. Segment 1 begins at the end of County Road 1146 and terminates at the junction of Forest Road 43 (near Grande Ronde Lake). Segment 2 begins at the end of Segment 1 and terminates at the junction of Forest Highway 52 (near the Nork Fork John Day Campground). Segment 3 begins at the end of Segment 2 and terminates at the junction with Grant County Road 24 near the town of Granite. This is the north and westernmost portions of the Elkhorn Drive Scenic Byway.				T7S, R36/37/38E; T8S, R35/35-08-May-0331-Dec-03	EA	Kelly Cahill
						(541) 523-1901	
Recreation Sites Water Development Upgrades	Assess and determine most appropriate upgrade to existing water developments that are necessary to meet State water quality standards and provide for public safety. Options include replacing spring developments and installing water storage tanks in other locations, to drilling wells.	Variety of sites, including campgrounds on the Whitman Unit.	01-Nov-03	30-Dec-04	CE	Kelly Cahill	Pre-Scoping
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Fisheries/Water- Shed Improvement Projects	Headcut repair of historic mining activity, Bull Run Creek.	T9S, R36E, Section 20	12-May-99	01-Dec-03	EA	Joel Waldo (541) 523-1952	Undergoing Consultation
Baboon Fuels Reduction Project	Develop proposals for ecosystem conservation, including a roads analysis. Project focus is National Fire Plan. EA will undergo consultation. Was re-released in 2003 for additional comment and review. Decision pending possible addition of new information.	T9S, R37/38E (Lake, Baboon, and Alder Creeks)	20-Jul-01	01-Apr-04	EA	Joanne Britton (541) 523-1929	Decision Pending
Stices Gulch Interface Project	Decision is forthcoming on commercial harvesting for fire hazard reduction near private property in Stices Gulch.	T11S, R39E and T11S, R40E	20-Jul-01	01-Nov-03	EA	Jim Gilsdorf (541) 523-1951	Pending

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Floodwater Recreation Residences Proj	Recreation residence cabins in the Floodwater Flats area north of Anthony Lakes. Fuels reduction project primarily east of the homeowner lots, removing small fuels and thinning from below. Fuels will be felled, piled, and burned. No commercial options are planned.	T7S, R37E, Sec. 7	20-Jul-01	15-Apr-04	EA	Barry Hansen	Effects Analysis
						(541) 523-1930	
Foothills Interface	Develop proposals for fuels treatments adjacent to private property and the Baker City Watershed on the east-facing foothills of the Elkhorn Mountains on the west side of Baker Valley.	T8S, R38E, and T9/10S, R39E	31-Oct-03	15-Jun-04	CE	Barry Hansen	On Hold
						(541) 523-1930	
Granite Interface	Develop proposals for fuels treatments adjacent to private property and the City of Granite.	Around the vicinity of the City of Granite and private land.	31-Oct-03	15-Aug-04	EA	Barry Hansen	Pre-Scoping
						(541) 523-1930	
Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell	Alternative Development
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Silver Camp Amendment	Placer testing/mining	T9S, R37E, Section 5	16-Oct-98	30-Jun-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Undergoing Lynx Consultation
Lake Creek Mines	Upgrade 3 existing plans of operations and add 1 new plan of operations because of T&E species presence.	T9S, R38E, Section 19,20	20-Jan-00	31-Mar-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Decision Pending
Freestone/Bull Run Placers	Two projects combined. Exploration using mechanized equipment, suction dredges, and high-bankers by several families. Processing takes place in off-channel ponds.	T9S, R35-1/2E, Section 13 and T9S, R36E, Sections 18 and 19	01-Dec-98	30-Jun-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Undergoing Consultation
Granite Creek Placers (Troy D)	Placer exploration in tailings areas and testing of water in exploration holes for metals. Included in the Umatilla NF, Granite area, mining EIS.	T9S, R35E, Section 1	28-Jan-99	31-Dec-03	EIS	Dave Herr, Umatilla NF (541) 523-1945	Draft EIS has been released

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Silver Creek Mines	Includes new and existing plans of operations. On-going plans of operations and pick and shovel/suction dredge operations will be upgraded because of presence of T&E species. Includes proposed B&H Amendment, Mandy/ Hanover, Silver Spur, and Tuna proposed Plan of Operations.	T9S, R37E, Sections 5/6 and T8S, R36E, Sections 23, 24, 26 and 36	20-Jan-00	31-Jul-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Effects Analysis
Uncle Sam Lode	Opening a caved-in portal, underground exploration, ore removal, and road construction.	T8S, R36E, Section 30	20-Jan-00	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development
Elk Creek (Shiloh Placer)	Mining on south side of creek, with processing on-site. Relocation of stream channel dropped from proposal. Name change.	T9S, R39E, Section 33	08-Apr-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Margaret Durner (541) 446-6702	Alternative Development
Big Indian	This analysis will address an amendment and also upgrade this existing Plan of Operations on North Trail Creek.	T7S, R36E, Section 7	08-Apr-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development

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French Diggings New	-Mining and processing are proposed in the area that was historically mined by Starlite/Lovestock hydraulic methods. Name change.	T7S, R36E, Section 20, 29	08-Apr-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development
Rock-A-Gold	Continuation of existing placer mining operation at a site near Granite Creek.	T7S, R35-1/2E, Section 27	08-Apr-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Effects Analysis
Weaver Placer	Continuation of existing placer mining operations in Buck Gulch.	T9S, R36E, Section 26	04-Apr-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development
Golden Eagle Group Mining	Upgrade an existing plan of operations and testing/mining of additional claims in this claim group. Processing will take place on-site. (Deer Creek)	T9S, R38E, Section 31	04-Aug-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 526-1945	Alternative Development
A/C	Placer exploration and processing, testing of water in exploration holes, in tailings areas (Cracker Creek).	T9S, R37E, Section 20	01-Nov-03		EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping

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Standard Mine	Re-initiate placer mining and processing at Standard Mine site.	T8S, R35-1/2 E, Secs. 11, 12	01-Nov-03		EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping
New York	Small-scale lode exploration.	T8S, R35-1/2 E, Secs. 22 and 27	01-Nov-03		CE	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping
China Diggings Placer	Placer mining with hand tools and small wash plant.	T5S, R38E, Sec. 30	01-Nov-03	01-Dec-04	EA	Michael Hall (541) 523-1286	Pre-Scoping
Jackie Ann Placer	Hand operations by club members using high-bankers. A backhoe may be used one or two days each year.	T9S, R36E, Sec.24 and T9S, R37E, Sec. 19	01-Nov-03		EA	Michael Hall (541) 523-1286	Pre-Scoping
Harris/Griffith/Oion Placer	Continuation of existing placer mining operations at several sites near Onion Gulch and Channel Creek; suction dredging in Channel Creek.	T9S, R35-1/2 E, Sec.12 and T9S, R36E, Sec. 16, 17	01-Nov-03		EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping
Yellow Gold Scoping Placer	Continuation of existing placer mining operations at several sites near Last Chance Creek.	T8S, R35-1/2E, Sec 27, 34			01-Nov-03	EA (541) 523-1945	Wayne Frye Pre-

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ALMR Beginner Conveyor and Carousel	Install a belt conveyor and carousel at the beginner ski area at Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort. Minor ground disturbance includes installing a 2x3-foot anchor pad and some leveling for support beams.	T7S, R37E, Section 18, Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort	03-Sep-03	03-Oct-03	CE	Duffy Dufresne (541) 523-1985	Effects Analysis
Pine Telephone Phase III Development	Extend the existing fiber optic line from Buffalo Mine through Crane Flats area to private land.	T8S, R35-1/2 E, Secs. 10, 14,	04-Apr-02	31-Dec-03	EA	Margaret Durner (541) 742-6702	Alternative 15--Crane Flats
Goodrich Waterline Extension	Baker City plans to install a pipeline from Goodrich Lake along the access road to connect with an existing pipeline on private land.	T9S, R38E, Secs. 4, 33, 34	01-Nov-03	30-Apr-04	EA	Margaret Durner (541) 742-6702	Pre-Scoping
Osprey Nesting Platforms	Nesting platforms would be installed in Phillips Lake trees or poles near Phillips Lake.		05-Oct-03	30-Nov-03	CE	Bill Munro (541) 742-6703	Proposed Action

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Forshey Meadow Vegetation Management	Felling of precommercial sized conifers encroaching on Forshey Meadow and aspen stands, and within the private land interface. Created fuels would be handpiled or redistributed and burned.	T.8S, R.44E, sec. 6 and T.7S, R.44E, sec. 31	01-Dec-02	01-May-04	CE	Joe Sciarrino (541) 742-6714	Scoping
East Eagle Vegetation Management	Reductions of ladder fuels and shade tolerant tree species by felling precommercial sized trees, hand and/or machine piling and prescribed burning to protect seral species old growth, and reduce risks of wildfire to private lands.	T.6S, R.44E, sections 32, 28, 29, 21, 16	01-Dec-02	01-May-05	CE	Joe Sciarrino (541) 742-6714	On hold pending funding
Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell (541) 523-1230	Alternative Development

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Pine Valley Interface	Forested vegetation needs in the Pine Valley project area indicate that the existing condition of many stands requires active management to move the landscape towards a desired condition of resiliency and resistance to uncharacteristic wildfire, insect outbreaks, and tree disease. Stand development over many decades without periodic disturbance has led to shade-tolerant understories, overstocking, and an increased risk of high intensity wildfire. The project area surrounds large tracts of private land that are also at risk.	The project area lies primarily in T. 7 and 8 S., R. 45 E. Encompassing nearly the entire Pine Creek drainage, northwest of Halfway, OR		01-Sep-04	EA	Lynne Smith	Pre-Scoping

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Barnard Restoration	The areas of public land that interface with private ownership need to be especially resistant to wildfire. The Barnard area is a low elevation warm dry ecotype that historically had frequent fires. Decades of fire suppression and subsequent changes in vegetation have created a need to reduce the risk of catastrophic fire. This proposed project would use prescribed fire, commercial timber harvest, and thinning precommercial trees to reduce the intensity of future wildfire and increase the safety of users of public land. Partnerships with private landowners and other agencies would be sought. The goal would be to promote healthy grasslands and stands of timber, reduce the risk of catastrophic changes from fire and insects, and produce economic benefits for local communities.	The project area is located about 4 miles north of Richland, in T7 and 8S, R44 and 45E.	01-Jul-02	15-Dec-03	EA	Lynne Smith	Effects Analysis

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Skookum Sanger	The Skookum Sanger analysis is expected to result in a timber sale and non-commercial vegetation management including pre-commercial thinning, reforestation, and prescribed burning, as well as roads analysis. This project was originally titled "Basin Bennett" and included a portion of the La Grande Ranger District. The current proposed project is entirely on Pine Ranger District.	T 7S, R 44E	11-Aug-03	01-Feb-04	EA	Lynne Smith	Scoping

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Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell (541) 523-1230	Alternative Development
Snow Creek Mining Amendment	This has been incorporated into the North Fork Burnt River EIS. An amendment to the Snow Creek Plan of Operations proposes mining within wet areas, previously established stream buffers, mining in the uplands, and road construction.	T10S, R35E, Section 22 and 23	15-Jan-98	29-Feb-04	EIS	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Included in NFBR EIS
Geiser Stream Diversion and Mining	This has been incorporated into the North Fork Burnt River EIS. The operator proposes to divert about 200 feet of the creek and conduct placer mining within a 100-foot section; mining and reclamation of the stream channel would be completed within the same year. Some additional testing and mining is also proposed on the upland south of the creek; a road and bridge will be constructed for access if underground mining is pursued.	T10S, R35-1/2 E, Section 15	15-Jan-98	29-Feb-04	EIS	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Included in NFBR EIS

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North Fork Burnt River Placer and Lode Mining	Analysis will take place on the following mining Plans of Operation or Amendments within the North Fork Burnt River watershed: Gold Busters, Lucky Placer, Lucky One, McNamee/Standby, R&RK, Silver Bell Ponds, Racer Group Mining, Sluicebox and all other existing/proposed plans.	T9S, R35-1/2E, Section 35, 36; T10S, R35E, Sections 24-27; T10S, R35-1/2E, Section 2; T10S, R36E, Section 7	15-Jun-01	29-Feb-04	EIS	Katie Countryman	Analyzing comments
						(541) 523-1264	
Altona/L&H	Two ongoing placer and lode testing Plans of Operations will be upgraded. The analysis will also address proposed amendments for additional areas of testing.	T10S, R35E, Section 3	16-Oct-98	01-Sep-04	EA	Wayne Frye	Effects Analysis
						(541) 523-1945	
Sunshine Bridge	Replacement of the existing bridge that provides access to the mine site.	T10S, R35E, Section 2	01-Dec-98	01-Sep-04	EA	Wayne Frye	Effects Analysis
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Grandview Mine	Additional lode exploration and a small open pit mine. The proposal also includes road construction, road upgrades, and the hauling of ore to a mill site on private land. Analysis is on hold pending a decision by the operator on whether to continue with the project.	T14S, R37E, Section 6 and 7	15-Oct-99			Wayne Frye	On Hold
Lua-B	Test hole excavation and processing of bulk samples with existing processing ponds.	T9S, R35E, Section 26	15-Oct-99	30-Jun-04	EA	Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development
New Pyx	Mining and processing at Pyx Mine and King Solomon Mine, new processing site.	T10S, R35E, Section 1	01-Nov-03			Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping
Beaver Mine	Continue mining from a small open pit, drilling, processing on site.	T9S, R35 1/2E, Section 22	01-Nov-03			Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping
Belvedere Placer	Continue placer mining and testing, processing on site.	T10S, R35E, Section 2	01-Nov-03			Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Pre-Scoping

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Record/Bullrun Mine	Continue mining and milling at existing Record and Bullrun mines under combined Plan of Operations.	T14S, R36E, Sections 1 and 2	08-Apr-03	01-Jun-04		Wayne Frye (541) 523-1945	Alternative Development
North Fork Burnt River Crossing	Replace North Fork Burnt River crossing.	T11S, R36E, Section 24 and 25	01-Jul-00	30-Jun-03	EA	Bonnie Clugston (541) 446-3351	Implementing
Re-route Blue Mtn OHV Trail	Re-route a portion of the Blue Mountain OHV Trail on Roads 1900070, 1900060, 1900075, and 1900086.	T11S, R36E, Sec. 29,35,36	28-Oct-03	31-Jul-04	CE	Bonnie Clugston (541) 446-3351	Pre-Scoping
Blue Mountina OHV Loop Trails	Loop trails would be added to the existing Blue Mountain OHV Trail.	South Fork Burnt River	10-Nov-03	30-Mar-04	EA	Bonnie Clugston (541) 446-1370	Proposed Action
Monument Fire Salvage and Restoration Projects	Recovery of fire damaged timber, reforestation of burned areas, and access management.	T14 and 15S, R36 and 37E	27-Sep-02	01-Jan-04	EIS	Roger LeMaster (541) 446-3351	Effects Analysis

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Mile 9 Vegetation and Restoration Project	Density reduction in mixed conifer stands, aspen enhancement, juniper removal, prescribed burning, and road reconstruction.	South Fork Burnt River Watershed, T12, 13 and 14S, R35-1/2 and 36E	01-Jan-01	30-Sep-04	EA	Roger LeMaster (541) 446-3351	On Hold
Bald Eagle Nest Replacement	A nest tree would be created by topping a large diameter tree in a suitable location in the West Fork Burnt River Bald Eagle Management Area.	T12S, R37E, Section 12	05-Oct-03	30-Nov-03	CE	Sparky Lisle (541) 742-6703	Proposed Action

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7785 Reconstruction	Reconstruction of Forest Road 7785; EA complete. Decision signed 07/14/03. Project was scaled down from original proposal.	Forest Road 7785 (North Fork Catherine Creek)	01-Nov-96	14-Jul-03	EA	Mike Brouwer (541) 962-8536	Signed Decision Document
Buck Creek Bridge Replacement	Replace existing bridge over South Fork Catherine Creek at junction of 7787 and 7785. Analysis complete, decision pending consultation.	T5S, R41E, section 13	15-Jan-02	01-May-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8536	On Hold - Consultation
Grande Ronde River Road - Segment 3	Reconstruct 5100 road from 5100185 to 5160; construct campground on 5115 road.	T5S R35E, sections 24, 25, 26, 34, and 35. Upper Grande Ronde River between Starkey and Tony Vey Meadow.	15-Oct-00	05-May-04	EA	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Alternative Development
Grande Ronde Boulder Project	Install approximately 40 boulder structures into GR River for fisheries habitat.	Grande Ronde River at Fly Creek (T04S, R35E, section 23), south for four miles to junction of 5115 road.	15-Apr-02	30-Aug-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8536	Scoping
East Fork Sheep Cr Bridge Replacement	Replace bridge across East Fork Sheep Creek on road 5184; close road 5184 with culvert.	T6S R35E sections 25, 26; East Sheep Creek	15-Jan-03	15-Aug-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Scoping

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Ladd Creek Pond Road Decommission	Pull culvert on 4305220 road. Replace with bridge or larger culvert. Repair damn at Ladd pond. Develop a jump pool below the Ladd pond to improve fish passage. Replace culvert at Smutz Draw.	T5S R38E section 4; LaddCreek	15-Jan-03	15-Jul-03	CE	Mike Brouwer	Decision Pending
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Mt. Emily	Commercial thinning, prescribed fire; pruning and slash/fuels removal. Creating defensible space for fire suppression. Interfaced with private land owners in the Grande Ronde Valley.	T1S R37 & 38E	15-Oct-99	15-Dec-03	EA	Trish Wallace	Effects Analysis
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Cove Restoration Project	Reduction of fuel loadings and bug killed trees above City of Cove.	T3 & 4S R41E	15-Oct-03	01-Aug-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock	Pre-Scoping
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Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell	Alternative Development
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Shiller Land Exchange	Exchange 520 acres for 600 acres of private land based on a value for value exchange. The acquired land will be managed to emphasize the recovery of listed fish species.	Fly Valley / Vey Meadow	15-Jan-03	10-Nov-04	EA	Kurt Wiedenmann (541) 962-8582	Scoping
Catherine Creek AMP	Cattle Allotment Plan	T4S, R41 and 42E; T5S, R41E	05-Jun-95	15-Oct-02	EA	Aric Johnson (541) 962-8517	Appealed - Decision Affirmed
Mt. Fanny Spring Protection and Road Closure	Construct buck and pole fence to protect spring from livestock. Restrict/control vehicle use with barricades or possibly road decommissioning.	T3S R 41 E section 9; Mt Fanny Springs	15-Jan-03	15-Nov-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Scoping
Balm Creek Fence and Off-site Water Development	Riparian enclosure fence and off-site water development. One mile of fence and two off-site developments.	T 6 and 7 S, R 42/43 E, sec 1, 25, 36; Balm Creek Cut-off road	15-Jan-03	13-Aug-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Signed Decision Document
2003 Off-site Water Developments	Develop two springs and two ponds for use by livestock on the Sheep Ranch, Pole Creek, Mill Creek, and Starkey allotments.	#1 - T5 R35E sec 27 Johnson Sp #2 - T5S, R42E sec 7 Buck Ridge Sp; #3 T3S R41E sec 19 Mill Cr Sp; #4 T4S R34E Sec 28, 33 Starkey Experimental	15-Jan-03	11-Aug-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Signed Decision Document

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Beaver Creek Campground and Rehab	Close and rehabilitate dispersed camp sites in Beaver Creek riparian area. Construct new campground away from Beaver Creek. Project is moving forward after temporarily on hold.	T4S, R37E, section 32 - 4300 road near Beaver Creek	01-Oct-98	01-Sep-04	EA	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Alternative Development
Moss Springs Campground Upgrade	Construct additional parking; light fuels reduction of dead material.	T3S R41E section 27	15-Jan-01	30-Nov-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Effects Analysis
District Snow Shelters	Build two snow shelters for winter recreationalists; along existing snowmobile route. In consultation.	Taylor Green, High Summit	15-Jan-01	15-Jun-04	CE	Mike Brouwer (541) 962-8501	On hold - Consultation
Alternative Snowmobile Routes	Designation of alternative groomed snowmobile routes on the district.	Forest Roads 4300-102, 6700-700, 7740-050, 7740-300, 7740-885, 7740-800, and 6700-720	01-May-03	17-Sep-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Signed Decision Document
Bald Angel	Commercial thinning, non-commercial thinning, prescribed fire and mechanical fuels reduction	T7S R42E	15-Jan-00	01-Aug-04	EA	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Pre-Scoping

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Dark Meadow Restoration	Commercial thinning, non-commercial thinning, prescribed fire, and mechanical fuels reduction.	T2 & 3S, R35E	15-Oct-00	15-Nov-03	EA	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Decision Pending
McMeadow Restoration	Commercial thinning, non-commercial thinning, prescribed fire, and mechanical fuels reduction. Comment period closed July 7, 2003	T3S, R33 and 34E	15-Oct-00	15-Nov-03	EA	Mike Brouwer (541) 962-8536	Decision Pending
2003 TSI – Timber Stand Improvement	Release thinning of non-commercial size trees. Thin small diameter trees to favor preferred species at spacing designed to stimulate growth of residual trees.	District Wide	15-Jan-03	05-Aug-03	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Signed Decision Document
2004 TSI - Timber Stand Improvement	Release thinning of non-commercial size trees. Thin small diameter trees to favor preferred species at spacing designed to stimulate growth of residual trees.	District Wide	15-Oct-03	01-Sep-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Scoping

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OPB Mt Fanny Tower	Construction of new tower for digital analog transmission; construction of building addition and 150 foot loop road construction. Decision signed 07/11/03.	T2S R41E section 7	15-Jul-03	15-Oct-03	CE	Mike Brouwer (541) 962-8536	Signed Decision Document
Mt. Emily Spur Road Obliteration - 1	Decommission road 3120550 and other woodcutter roads. First Decision Memo signed 08/04/03 which covers 3120550 road. A second Decision Memo is planned for signature in the summer of 2004. The second decision will cover other roads not yet fully identified at this SOPA edition	T1S, R38E, various sections near Mt Emily.	15-Jan-03	04-Aug-03	CE	Mike Brouwer (541) 962-8536	Signed Decision Document
Mt. Emily Spur Road Obliteration - II	Decommission road 3120550 and other woodcutter roads. First Decision Memo signed 08/04/03 which covers 3120550 road. A second Decision Memo is planned for signature in the summer of 2004. The second decision will cover other roads not yet fully identified at this SOPA edition	T1S, R38E, various sections near Mt Emily.	15-Jan-03	01-Aug-04	CE	Cindy Whitlock (541) 962-8501	Scoping

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Pittsburg Fueling Station	Convert existing Memorandum of Understanding to Special Use Permit.	T27Nm R1W, Section 32, Boise Meridian	15-Sep-03	15-Nov-03	CE	Earl Baumgarten (208) 628-3916	Decision Pending
Duck Lake Research Natural Area Establishment	Establish a Research Natural Area at T 5S, R 47E, Sec. 29, 30 WM Duck Lake			15-Nov-03	EA	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Decision Pending
Hazard Tree Removal	Removing hazard trees that pose a hazard to users of Forest Road 39.	Adjacent to Forest Road 39.	01-Jan-03	15-Nov-03	CE	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Decision Pending
Copper Creek Resort Drainfield Repair	Repairing the drainfield that supports the existing facilities at the Copper Creek resort.	Copper Creek Resort along the Snake River in T3N, R50E, WM	08-Mar-03	15-Dec-03	EA	Sophia Millar (541) 426-5540	Conducting Analysis
Riggins Administrative Site Relocation	Relocating the existing HCNRA office and visitor services at Riggins, Idaho to a new facility at the same site. Project timing is affected by proposed State of Idaho highway widening project.	Nez Perce National Forest Administrative Site in Riggins, Idaho	01-Jan-03	23-Apr-03	EA	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Implementing

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Palette Ranch Channelization Restoration	Restoring 2 miles of wetlands, riparian and fish habitat impacted by channelization.	T4S, R48E, S4, 5, 7 and 8; WM01-Jan-01		30-Nov-03	AD	Tom Glassford (541) 426-5537	Conducting Analysis
N. E. Oregon Salmon Hatchery Projects	Constructing salmon hatchery facilities on Imnaha, Lostine, and Grande Ronde Rivers.	T1S, R48E, S10; T1S, R43E, S34, T3N, R40E, S29; WM	01-Apr-00	30-Nov-03	EIS	Tom Glassford (541) 426-5537	Conducting Analysis
Culvert Replacements	Replace culverts on existing roads to improve fish passage	Existing roads throughout the district	01-May-03	30-Nov-03	EA	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Conducting Analysis
Lostine Subdivision Fuels Reduction	Handpiling and burning hazardous fuels adjacent to the private land interface with the Lostine Subdivision. Decision to be re-issued as a result of Heartwood v, USFS.	Lostine River Drainage, T2S, R43E; WM	01-Feb-02	26-Mar-03	CE	Nick Lunde (541) 426-5583	Signed Decision Document
Imnaha River Woods Fuels Reduction	Handpiling and burning hazardous fuels adjacent to the private land interface with the Imnaha River Woods Subdivision.	Imnaha River Woods, T3S, R48E; WM	15-Feb-03	30-Dec-03	CE	Nick Lunde (541) 426-5583	Conducting Analysis

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Mount Howard Fuels Reduction	Reduce fuels from dead subalpine fir and other highly-loaded stands on Mount Howard.	North and west flanks of Mount Howard in T3S, R45E, WM	01-May-03	01-Sep-04		Nick Lunde (541) 426-5583	Scoping
Non-Recreation Special Use Permit Renewals	Renewing non-recreation special use permits.	ECRD, HCNRA, and WVRD	01-Nov-00	31-Dec-03	CE	Tom Glassford (541) 426-5537	Conducting Analysis
Crazyman Land Exchange	Acquiring riparian habitat on private land in exchange for upland habitat on federal land. (The name of this project is changed from Palette Ranch Land Exchange.)	T4S, R48E, Sec 4, 5, 7 and 8, WM	01-Jan-01	30-Nov-03	EA	Tom Glassford (541) 426-5537	Conducting Analysis
Blue Mountain Land Exchange	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on federal and private lands.	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malhuer National Forests	01-Aug-02	01-May-04	EIS	Jean Lavell (541) 523-1230	Alternative Development
HCNRA Comprehensive Mgmt. Plan Amendment	Amending formal management direction for HCNRA.	Entire HCNRA	01-Jun-98	21-Jul-03	EIS	Elaine Kohrman (541) 523-1331	In Appeal Period

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Snake River Corridor Mine Closures	Closing up to 18 mines on the Idaho side of the Snake River Corridor based on 1997 Safety and Liability Directive by Forest Service Chief.	HCNRA Snake River Corridor in Idaho	01-Oct-02	30-Dec-03	CE	Ralph Anderson (541) 426-5571	On Hold - Consultation
Joseph Creek Rangeland Planning Area	Updating management planning on the Joseph Creek allotments, resulting in new Allotment Management Plans.	Allotments throughout the Joseph Creek Watershed	01-Jan-99	30-Dec-03	EIS	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Conducting Analysis
Crazyman Trail Relocation	Relocating approximately 0.75 miles of the Crazyman Trail.	T4S, R48E, S8; WM	01-Oct-98	30-Nov-03	EA	Tom Glassford (541) 426-5537	Undergoing Consultation
Little Granite Creek Trail Reconstruction	Relocating dangerous segments of Little Granite Creek Trail #112 to provide safe trail access between the Snake River and the Seven Devils.	T23N, R2W, BM	20-Nov-01	01-Nov-03	CE	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Decision Pending
Hells Canyon Launch Vis. Ctr Toilet Replacement	Replace/upgrade toilet facilities at Hells Canyon Creek Launch Site Visitor Center.	T3S, R49W, Section 33, WM	15-Oct-03	01-Apr-03	CE	Scott Springer (509) 758-0616	Developing Proposal

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ATV Trail Project	Development of ATV trail system and access management for existing road systems as well as cross country travel. Proposed trail locations not yet defined.	North end of the Wallowa Valley Ranger District	01-Feb-04	01-May-05	EA	Rob Gump (541) 426-5536	Prescoping
Snowmobile Bridge Repair	Repair/replace existing snowmobile bridge.	Lick Creek	15-Oct-03	15-Dec-03	CE	Rob Gump (541) 426-5536	Developing Proposal
Spoooner Vegetation Management Project	Thinning overstocked stands, promoting early seral species, and reducing fuels through harvest; underburning; or hand thinning; and managing roads through repair, closure, or obliteration.	Jaynes Ridge and Beeler Ridge	01-Dec-98	15-Dec-03	EA	Sophia Millar (541) 426-5540	Formal Comment Period
Rice Vegetation Management Project	Managing coniferous vegetation and grasslands through harvest and prescribed fire. Managing roads through closures, decommissionings, or repairs.	Devils Run and Upper Chesnimnus Watersheds	01-Jan-04	01-Jan-05	EA	Alicia Glassford (541) 426-5689	Pre-Scoping

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Baldwin Vegetation Management Project	Managing coniferous vegetation and grasslands through harvest and prescribed fire. Managing roads through closures, decommissionings, or repairs.	Broady Creek and surrounding vicinity. T 5N, R 46E, WM	01-May-02	15-Feb-04	EA	Sophia Millar (541) 426-5540	Conducting Analysis
Biomass #3 Sanitation Salvage Project	Salvage conifers with current beerle/wood borers infestation as well as those conifers displaying external characteristics which would predispose them to successful infestation in spring 2004.	T3N, R44E, Sections 29,30 WM	01-Oct-03	01-Dec-03	CE	Paul Survis (541) 426-5681	Conducting Analysis

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