



The Ottawa National Forest is involved in many programs and activities. As in the past, this issue of the Ottawa Quarterly is a listing of proposed resource management projects for which we have a specific proposal and are in the process of analyzing as directed by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The Forest Service decision-making process provides opportunities for interested parties to give their ideas and opinions about resource management. This input is important in helping us identify resource needs, which will shape the alternatives evaluated and lead to the formation of a decision. There are several points in the planning process during which you can be the most helpful, but exact steps and timing may vary depending on the type and complexity of the project. The section titled “The Project Planning Process and How You Can Be Involved” describes these steps and identifies what you can do to be involved. It is important for you to understand this process so that you may receive the environmental documents in which you are interested.

Included in this list are those projects for which a Decision Memo, Decision Notice, or Record of Decision is anticipated. However, this list may not be all-inclusive. Some projects may come up after publication and require our immediate attention. As a result, we may complete the decision document before the next edition.

Furthermore, if you have received previous editions of this list you will notice that some projects do not appear anymore. That is be-



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cause we have finished the analysis, made the decision and the appeal period (if applicable) has ended; or, in other cases we have removed projects from the list because we were unable to pursue them for various reasons such as a conflict with other forest priorities. If these projects are re-initiated in the future then they will again be added to the Quarterly Report. Please call the person listed as the “contact” for a project anytime you have a question.

**If you have questions about this document, or NEPA projects on the Ottawa in general, please feel free to contact Karen Dunlap, Forest Environmental Coordinator, at (906) 932-1330x345 or [kdunlap@fs.fed.us](mailto:kdunlap@fs.fed.us).**

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# Additional Sources for Environmental Documents

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Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements for site specific projects are available on our internet page. They can be accessed at:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/>

Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements for site specific projects are also available at three college libraries in the western Upper Peninsula.

Gogebic Community College  
Ironwood, MI  
(906) 932-4231 Ext. 344

J. Robert Van Pelt Library  
Michigan Tech University  
Houghton, MI  
(906) 487-2506

Olson Library  
Northern Michigan University  
Marquette, MI  
(906) 227-1580

NMU has also listed our documents on their regional online library system called CRISTAL. Contact their public service personnel on its use and capabilities.

**Documents are filed by project name.**

## Definition of Terms

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**Appeal** - is the written document filed with an Appeal Deciding Officer by one who objects to a decision.

**Appeal Period** - The 45 calendar-day period following publication of a decision document during which an appeal may be filed.

**Decision Memo (DM)** - A written record of the responsible official's decision to implement an action that has been categorically excluded from documentation in an environmental impact statement or an environmental assessment.

**Decision Notice (DN)** - A written record of the responsible official's decision based on an Environmental Assessment and a finding of no significant impact.

**Environmental Assessment (EA)** - A document which presents issues and concerns important to a project, and alternate means of accomplishing a project, and analysis of potential environmental effects of each of those alternatives. This information is used to help determine whether to prepare an environmental impact statement or a finding of no significant impact.

**Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)** - A document which presents issues and concerns important to a project, and alternate means of accomplishing a project, and analysis of potential significant environmental effects of each of those alternatives.

**Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)** - A document prepared by a federal agency presenting the reasons why an action will not have a significant effect on the human environment and for which an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

**Management Area (MA)** – described in the Forest Plan — an area delineated on a map showing the location where a management prescription applies.

**Notice of Intent (NOI)** - A notice that an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared and considered.

**Proposed Action** - A site-specific proposal made by the Forest Service to authorize, recommend, or implement an action on National Forest System lands.

**Record of Decision (ROD)** - A written record of the responsible official's decision based on an Environmental Impact Statement.

**Scoping** – A process to help determine any potential significant issues that may be related to the proposed action and subsequently addressed in the environmental documents.

## The Project Planning Process and How You Can Be Involved

ANALYSIS STEP	PARTICIPATION OPTIONS
Identify need for project	Propose a project to the Forest Service.
Develop site specific detailed project proposal	Develop project proposal.
Scoping – solicit public comment on the site-specific proposal.	Provide the site-specific comments on proposal – suggest issues, alternatives or mitigation measures.
Develop alternatives based on the issues raised during scoping. One alternative is to stay with the status quo (No Action).	In comments on the proposal, suggest variations to the original proposal – or other potential alternatives.
Initiate public comment process (30-day comment period for projects documented in an EA and a minimum 45-day comment period for projects documented in an EIS). See 36 CFR 215.5.	Read EA/DEIS. Provide comments on the environmental analysis. See 36 CFR 215.6(a)(3) for a description of what information to provide.
Notice of decision will be published in the newspaper of record. See 36 CFR 215.7.	Review decision.
Appeal period will be open for 45 days following legal notice of decision in the newspaper unless no one expressed interest (or only positive comments were received) and there is no change from the proposed action. (36 CFR 215.7, 215.11, 215.12)	Exercise option to appeal. File Notice of Appeal (see section 36 CFR 215.14 for Appeal Content requirements) NOTE: Only those who submitted comments, or otherwise expressed interest in a project, in writing or orally during the 30-day EA comment period or EIS comment period may appeal. (36 CFR 215.13)
Implement the project.(Subject to timing requirements of 36 CFR 215.9)	Contribute labor, equipment or funding.
Monitor & evaluate project results	Provide feedback on the project.

**REMINDER:** On June 4, 2003 the US Department of Agriculture Forest Service issued a Final Rule revising the Notice, Comment, and Appeal Procedures for National Forest System Projects and Activities codified at 36 CFR Part 215. Notable among the changes are email addresses for electronic submission of comments and administrative appeals listed below. **Please make note of these addresses for future reference.**

### Electronic Mail Addresses for Ottawa National Forest Projects

comments-eastern-ottawa@fs.fed.us — to comment on forestwide projects  
 comments-eastern-ottawa-bessemer@fs.fed.us — to comment on Bessemer RD projects  
 comments-eastern-ottawa-iron-river@fs.fed.us — to comment on Iron River RD projects  
 comments-eastern-ottawa-kenton@fs.fed.us — to comment on Kenton RD projects  
 comments-eastern-ottawa-ontonagon@fs.fed.us — to comment on Ontonagon RD projects  
 comments-eastern-ottawa-watersmeet@fs.fed.us — to comment on Watersmeet RD projects  
 appeals-eastern-regional-office@fs.fed.us — to appeal projects in the Eastern Region

## Ottawa National Forest Offices - Contact Information

Supervisor's Office  
E6248 US Highway 2  
Ironwood, MI 49938  
(906) 932-1330 - Phone  
(906) 932-0301 - TTY  
(906) 932-0122 - FAX

Iron River Ranger District  
990 Lalley Road  
Iron River, MI 49935  
(906) 265-9259 - Phone  
(906) 265-5139 - TTY  
(906) 265 6536 - FAX

Ontonagon Ranger District  
1209 Rockland Road  
Ontonagon, MI 49953  
(906) 884-2085 - Phone  
(906) 884-2411 - TTY  
(906) 884-4830 - FAX

Bessemer Ranger District  
500 N. Moore Street  
Bessemer, MI 49911  
(906) 932-1330 - Phone  
(906) 663-4035 - TTY  
(906) 667-0007 - FAX

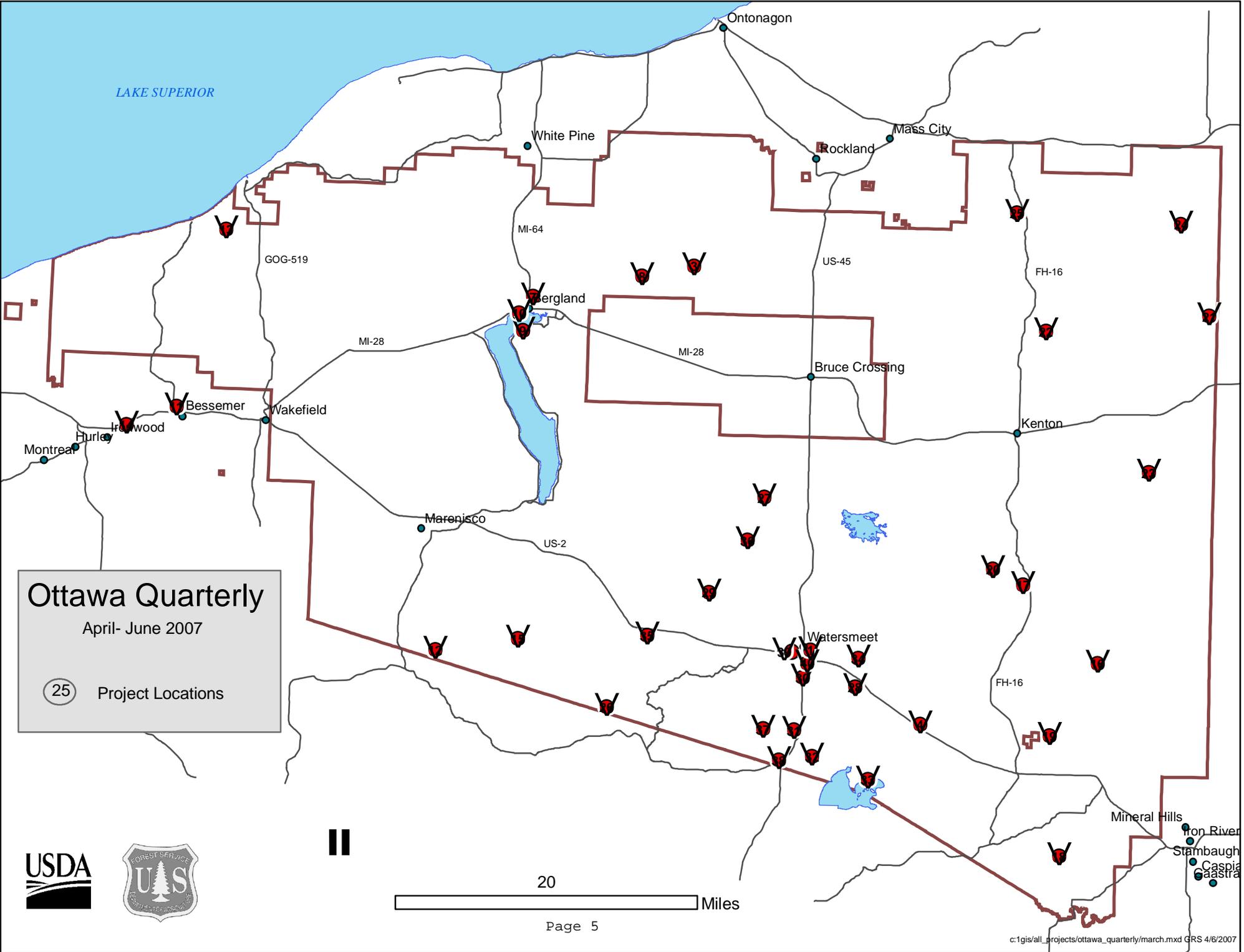
Kenton Ranger District  
4810 E. Highway M28  
Kenton, MI 49967  
(906) 852-3500 - Phone  
(906) 852-3618 - TTY  
(906) 852-3618 - FAX

Watersmeet Ranger District  
Old US 2, P.O. Box 276,  
Watersmeet, MI 49969  
(906) 358-4551 - Phone  
(906) 358-0289 - TTY  
(906) 358-4829 - FAX

## Items of Interest

**Legal Notice Publication Dates:** In order to better inform the public the Ottawa National Forest will now begin posting on our website the date the legal notice is published in the newspaper of record for all comment and appeal periods so that you will be able to more easily calculate when you should submit comments and appeals for projects on the Ottawa National Forest. It will still be your responsibility to check for this information and submit comments in a timely fashion.

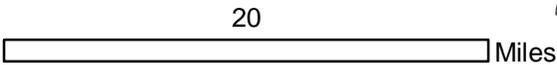
**Map of Project Locations:** With this distribution of the Quarterly Schedule of Proposed Actions we are bringing back the map which shows where all district level projects are located. We have had requests for this and we are happy to accommodate those requests. Some projects are too large or too scattered in nature to display on the map, such as projects on multiple districts, we encourage you to refer to the website for maps associated with the project mailings for details about location.



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## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2007 to 06/30/2007

### Ottawa National Forest

This report contains the best available information at the time of publication. Questions may be directed to the Project Contact.

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
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#### Projects Occurring Nationwide

<b>Aerial Application of Fire Retardant</b> EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/28/2006	Expected:07/2007	08/2007	Christopher Wehrli 202-205-1332 fire.retardant@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> The Forest Service proposes to continue the aerial application of fire retardant to fight fires on National Forest System lands. An environmental analysis will be conducted to prepare an Environmental Assessment on the proposed action.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/retardant/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/retardant/index.html</a> .					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nation Wide.					

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

#### R9 - Eastern Region

<b>1. JW Toumey Nursery Tree Removal for Disease Prevention</b> CE	- Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	08/2007	Mary Rasmussen 906-358-4551 mrasmussen@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Propose to remove the mature red and jack pine trees along the west and north flank of the JW Toumey Nursery in order to prevent an occurrence of Diplodia. Diplodia is a known threat resulting in poor survival rates and death of seedlings.					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ottawa National Forest All Units. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N R39W Section 27 NW quarter. One-half mile east of Watersmeet, Michigan on Old US 2 East.					
<b>2. Wild and Scenic River CRMP</b> EA	- Land management planning	In Progress: Notice of Initiation 01/05/2005	Expected:05/2007	08/2007	Teresa Wagner 906-932-1330 ext 355 twagner@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Development of Comprehensive River Management Plan (CRMP) for the congressionally designated Wild and Scenic Rivers on the Ottawa National Forest.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/recreation/wsr/index.htm">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/recreation/wsr/index.htm</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ottawa National Forest All Units. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Marquette, Ontonagon. All Districts of the Ottawa National Forest.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>3. Antilla, Pantti, Hoffman Special Use Road Permits</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/13/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Dawn Buss-Glodowski 906-884-2411, ext 15, or 2085 dbussglodowski@fs.fed. us
	<b>Description:</b> Applications have been received from 3 potential permittees requesting Private Road and Forest Road Special Use permits for access into their private lands.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa">http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District, Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - Antilla T49N R38W Sec 5, T50N R38W Sec 31,32, T50N R39W sec. 36; Pantti T50N R39W Sec 20; Hoffman T49N R40W Sec 17-19, FR 615 , 615-I. Antilla 13 miles north of Trout Creek to FR 866 end, Pantti 2.5 miles south of Rockland on Victoria Road into Sec. 20, Hoffman 3.5 miles north of M-28 on Norwich Road into FR 615. .					
<b>4. Camp 7 Vegetation Management Project</b> EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Road management - Forest products	Completed	Actual: 03/02/2007 11/05/2004	01/2007	Marlanea French-Pombier 906-358-4551 mfrenchpombier@fs.fed. .us
	<b>Description:</b> Project proposal development includes treatment of early successional forest types and overstocked hardwoods/conifers to improve stand quality and forest health while reducing losses from insects and disease.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District, Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic, Iron. LEGAL - T43N, R38W, S 3-5; T44N, R36W, S 7 & 18; T44N, R37W, S 5-10, 12-21, 28-30 & 33; T44N, R38W, S 1, 8-17, 19-30 & 32-36; T45N, R37W, S 31. Located halfway between Iron River & Watersmeet on both sides of US Hwy 2 & includes Imp, Stone, Muskeg & James Lakes, & parts of Imp Creek & South Branch of the Paint River within MAs 2.1 and 8.1.					
<b>5. Great Lakes Gas Pipeline Operation and Maintenance Plan</b> CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/22/2005	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Michael Jacobson 906-667-0261 mjacobson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Update the current Operation and Maintenance Plan. Great Lakes Gas Transmission Company is required to perform operations and maintenance on its pipeline system within the Ottawa National Forest.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District, Iron River Ranger District, Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. East/West corridor parallel to U.S. 2 within the Ottawa National Forest.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>6. Northern Natural Gas Pipeline special use permit re-issue and Operation and Maintenance Plan</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Michael Jacobson 906-932-1330 mjacobson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Re-issue an existing special use authorization to Northern Natural Gas pipeline and up-date the operation and maintenance plan.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District, Bessemer Ranger District, Kenton Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Ontonagon. Northern Natural Gas pipeline is located in Gogebic, Ontonagon, Houghton and Baraga counties, MI. The pipeline parallels highway M-28 along an East/West corridor within the Ottawa National Forest..					
<b>7. Ontonagon County Road Commission Bergland Permit Reissue</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/17/2006	Expected:10/2007	11/2007	Dawn Buss-Glodowski 906-884-2411, ext 15, or 2085 dbussglodowski@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reissue expired permit for Bergland Road Commission warehouse off Hwy M-64.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa">http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District, Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T49N R42W Section 33. 1 mile north of Bergland Michigan on State Highway M-64.					
<b>8. Ridge Vegetation and Road Management Project</b> EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Watershed management</li> <li>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)</li> <li>- Road management</li> <li>- Recreation management</li> <li>- Forest products</li> </ul>	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/20/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2007	Expected:09/2007	12/2007	Deborah Kill (906) 852-3500 dkill@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Forest management for stand complexity, plant and animal species diversity, and wood product opportunity. Road system changes for cost efficiency and access for semiprimitive recreation experiences. Improved stream and wetland conditions.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District, Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T49NR42W Sec. 12-14, 20-28, 33-36, T49NR41W Sec 7-31, T49NR40W Sec. 7-9, 17-21, 27-30, 32-34, T48NR42W Sec. 1-4, 8-18, 24, 25, 36. Northeast of Bergland, Michigan, (Upper Peninsula).					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Bergland Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>9. Michigan Bell(AT&amp;T) Bergland Permit Reissues</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/13/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Dawn Buss-Glodowski 906-884-2411, ext 15, or 2085 dbussglodowski@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Re-issue two expired permits to Michigan Bell, now AT&T, for underground telephone cables in T48N R42W Sections 5 and 8.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us">http://www.fs.fed.us</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T48N R42W Sections 8, 9, 5. Underground lines three miles south of M-28 along East Shore Road, and along M-28 into the Bergland Ranger District dwellings..					
<b>10. Northern States Power Bergland Special Use Permit Reissuance</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/13/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Dawn Buss-Glodowski 906-884-2411, ext 15, or 2085 dbussglodowski@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reissue two expired permits to NSP for a buried electric distribution line and an underground electric service line.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa">http://www.fs.fed.us/ottawa</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bergland Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T48N R44W Sec 22 and 23, T48N R42W Sec 8,9; T48N R42W Sec 5. Distribution line lies in Ontonagon County south of M-28 along East Shore Road, Service line on M-28 at Bergland Cultural Center.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Bessemer Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>11. Bessemer Land and Building Conveyance</b> CE	- Facility management - Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/14/2007	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Joel Enking 906-932-1330 jenking@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to convey buildings and land. The site contains an office building, 2 garages and a storage shed and is located with the city of Bessemer.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T47N, R46W, Section 9, SENE and NESE. 500 North Moore Street, Bessemer, Michigan.				

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Bessemer Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>12. Gaylord Lake Power Distribution Line - Northern States Power Co.</b> CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/02/2007	Expected:04/2007	06/2007	Richard McVey 906-932-1330 x511 rmcvey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Buried power distribution line to be place along side County Road 525 and the Gaylord Lake Road				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N-R43W, Sections 28 and 33. Marenisco Township, Gogebic County, Michigan.				
<b>13. International Paper (IP) Company Road Easement</b> CE	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 02/05/2007	06/2007	Richard McVey 906-932-1330 x511 rmcvey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> IP has an existing right-of-way to use the the North Country Trail corridor for constructing and maintaining roads for timber harverting operations. IP is planning on utilizing 500-600 feet of the trial corridor to access their lands.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T49N - R46W, Section 12. Wakefield Township, Gogebic County, Michigan.				
<b>14. Ironwood Vacant Land Conveyance</b> EA	- Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:05/2007	06/2007	Joel Enking 906-932-1330 x334 jenking@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to convey vacant land. The site is bare land on US Highway 2 between Ironwood and Bessemer Michigan.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T47N, R46W, Section 18, NW 1/4. Approximately 2 miles east of Ironwood, Michigan on US Highway 2..				
<b>15.Pomeroy Lake Rusty Crayfish Trapping</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2007	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	Holly Jennings 906-932-1330 ext. 319 hjennings@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Use commercial crayfish traps in Pomeroy Lake to capture rusty crayfish, an aquatic nuisance species, and remove and destroy all rusty crayfish caught, in order to restore native plant and animal species impacted by the crayfish.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bessemer Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T25N R42W Sections 20, 21, 28 & 29. Pomeroy Lake, in south central Gogebic County, approximately 8 miles southeast of Marenisco..				

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Iron River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>16. Curl Access - Private Road Special Use</b> CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2007	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	Megan Impson 906-265-5139 X 11 mimpson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> To issues a FLPMA special use permit to a private landowner for use and maintenance of an existing road in order to access private property. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T45N, R36W, Sec. 26, NESW. Access road is off of FR 3350 on the Iron River District.				
<b>17. Kinsey Special Use Permit</b> CE  *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	Megan Impson 906-265-5139 X 11 mimpson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reissue King Permit to Kinsey for use of existing non-system road				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T46N R37W Section 36 SW1/4 SW1/4. Road off Forest Highway 16 T 46N R 37W Section 36 west of east paint lake .				
<b>18. Mud Lake Vegetation Management Project</b> EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management - Recreation management - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/20/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/2007	Expected:12/2007	04/2008	Marlanea French-Pombier 906-358-4551 mfrenchpombier@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The Mud Lake project includes vegetation management and proposals to enhance aquatic, fisheries, riparian and wildlife habitat. Proposals also include recreation and transportation system improvements.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T42N,R36W, S 1-17, 21-24; T42N,R37W, S 1-3, 12; T43N,R35W, S 19, 30-31; T43N,R36W, S 3-10, 15-18, 19-36; T43N,R37W, S 1, 11-12, 25-26, 35-36 . Located in Iron County on the Iron River R.D. about six miles west of Iron River, Michigan.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Iron River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
19. Polich Special Use Permit CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	08/2007	Megan Impson 906-265-5139 X 11 mimpson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Special Use Permit right of way proposal 60 feet in length and 16 feet in width containing approximately .02 acres. The permit would also authorize use and maintenance of .4 miles of FR3244				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T44N R36W Section 20 SE1/4 SE 1/4. .4 miles sandy road which runs though red pine and spruce plantation. Road is fairly well maintained with no obvious drainage issues.				
20. WE Energies - Tousignant ROW CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to run underground electric line to a private residence across NFS lands.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Iron River Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T46N, R37W, Sec. 27, S1/2NW. Line would run off of FR 3610 on the west side of Robinson Lake .					

<b>Ottawa National Forest Kenton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
21. Baraga Plains Habitat Restoration Project CE	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 02/06/2007	04/2007	Dean Karlovich 906-358-4551 ext. 15 dkarlovich@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Sand plain communities (161 acres) are proposed for low intensity prescribed fire treatment in an effort to restore/maintain this unique habitat within the Ottawa National Forest and also to benefit several plant and animal species.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Kenton Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga. LEGAL - T49N R35W, sections 24 and 36. The proposed project area is approximately 7 miles north of Sidnaw, Michigan on NFS lands..					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Kenton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
22. <b>Blowdown Salvage Project</b> CE	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/10/2007	Expected:03/2007 Actual: 03/26/2007	07/2007	Katherine Brashear 906-852-3500 kbrashear@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> On 31 July 2006 a severe thunderstorm passed through the Ottawa National Forest that created about 5,700 acres of blown down trees. The Forest Service is proposing a salvage removal of wind-damaged trees not to exceed 250 acres to occur summer 2007.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Kenton Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Houghton. LEGAL - T48N R36W, section11; and T48N R35W,sections 8-10. This project area is located entirely within the Kenton Ranger District of the Ottawa National Forest, approximately 7 miles north of Kenton, Michigan and south of Frost Junction, in Duncan Township. .					
23. <b>Deadstream McLellan Vegetation Management Project</b> EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Road management - Recreation management - Fuels management - Forest products	Completed	Actual: 02/05/2007 11/21/2003	05/2007	Deborah Kill 906-852-3500 dkill@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Silvicultural treatment of over-mature early successional species, overstocked hardwoods and conifers to improve stand quality and reduce the risk of loss due to insects, disease and fire.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Kenton Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga, Houghton, Iron. LEGAL - T48N-R35W, S. 19-22;, 26-36; T48N-R36W, S. 25, 35, 36;T47N-R35W, S. 5-9, 16-21, 25-36; T47N-R36W, S. 1, 2, 10-15, 22-26; T46N-R35W, S. 1-5, 8-11. The project area is in MAs 2.1, 4.1, 4.2 and 8.1.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Ontonagon Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>24. Federal Hardrock Minerals Prospecting Permits</b> EA  *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/08/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/2007	Expected:07/2007	10/2007	Lee Ann Atkinson 906-932-1330-308 leeannatkinson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to determine whether to consent to the issuance of prospecting permits by the Bureau of Land Management for mineral exploration activities such as core drilling and geophysical survey on federally owned minerals.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Baraga, Houghton. LEGAL - T50N, R35W, Sections 25, 26, 31, 33, and 35. East of the town of Ontonagon, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, south of Prickett Lake.				
<b>25. Rousseau East Project</b> EA	- Road management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/01/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/2007	Expected:08/2007	03/2008	Deborah Kill (906) 852-3500 dkill@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Forest management to restore stand complexity, plant and animal species diversity, and provide wood products. Includes changes to forest road system for cost efficiency, recreation and administrative access, and identification of gravel source				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ontonagon Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - R50R37WSec1-4,9-16,20-29,33-36, T50R36W Sec.19,20,29-32, T49R36WSec3-9,16-19, T49R37Sec 1-3,10-15,22-26. 11 miles north of Kenton Michigan, Upper Peninsula, Michigan.					

<b>Ottawa National Forest Watersmeet Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>26. Barry-Lindsley Lake Access</b> CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> To issue a FLPMA special use permit to a private landowner for use and maintenance of an existing road in order to access private property.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T44N, R41W, Sec. 16, 17, NE. Site is approximately 10 miles southwest of Watersmeet, MI, near the Michigan/Wiconsin border. .					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Watersmeet Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>27. Bluff Creek Large Woody Debris</b> CE  *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2007	Expected:07/2007	08/2007	Holly Jennings 906-932-1330 ext. 319 hjennings@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Improve 4 1/2 miles of Bluff Creek by adding large woody debris to provide cover and create habitat for trout and other aquatic species.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Ontonagon. LEGAL - T46N R40W Section 1 and T46N R39W Section 6 and T47N R39W Section 31. Bluff Creek upstream and downstream of the Choate Road crossing..				
<b>28. Cleereman SUP - Imp Lake Area</b> CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/15/2004	Expected:07/2007	07/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Granting access across NFS land to private property.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>29. Cleereman SUP-Sucker Lake Road</b> CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/15/2004	Expected:07/2007	07/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> To provide access across National Forest System lands to private property.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>30. Duck Creek Fisheries Improvements</b> CE  *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2007	Expected:06/2007	07/2007	Holly Jennings 906-932-1330 ext. 319 hjennings@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Maintenance excavation of an existing in-stream sediment trap to reduce sediment in the stream and the construction of two wedge dams to increase pool habitat.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N R39W Section 33. Duck Creek immediately upstream of the US Highway 45 crossing..				

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Watersmeet Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
31. Duck Lake Salvage Project CE	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 02/01/2007	03/2007	Marlanea French-Pombier 906-358-4551 mfrenchpombier@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Salvage merchantable trees damaged by a windstorm that occurred on August 9, 2005. Salvage associated with high-risk overmature trees at risk of further wind damage.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T44N, R39W, Sections 21 and 31. Approximately 8 miles south of Watersmeet Michigan and west of US Highway 45.					
32. Jack Pine Budworm Area Restoration Project EA	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/27/2007	Expected:06/2007	07/2007	Robert MacGregor 906-932-1330 rmacgregor@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The USDA Forest Service is proposing to harvest approximately 500 acres of jack pine stands that are infested with jack pine budworm. Associated activities are also proposed for restoration and improving ecosystem health.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T43N; R39W, sec. 21, 26 - 29, 32-35. Located approximately 7 miles south of Watersmeet Michigan in Gogebic County..					
33. LVD Land Exchange EA	- Land ownership management	Completed	Actual: 03/01/2007	03/2007	Richard McVey 906-932-1330 x511 rmcvey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Land Exchange between the Lac Vieux Desert Band of the Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the U.S. Forest Service				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - Gogebic County, Michigan. Watersmeet Ranger District, Ottawa National Forest.					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Watersmeet Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>34. Marion Lake Pit Expansion</b> CE	- Road management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> To expand Marion Lake Pit for approximately 4 acres, allowing for the additional removal of gravel and improvement of resource.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N, R38W, Sec. 30, NWSE, NESW. East of Watersmeet, MI, on the west side of Marion Lake Road, approximately 1.5 miles north of U.S. 2.					
<b>35. McCosker Land Exchange</b> EA	- Land ownership management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/13/2007	Expected:04/2007	05/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposed project is to exchange 40 acres of National Forest System land for 40 acres of private land in order to reroute a portion of snowmobile trail for public access, as well as consolidate NFS ownership.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - NFS land: T45N, R41W, Sec. 23, SWSW Private land: T45N, R40W, Sec. 24, SWSW. NFS property is located on CR 531 (Cisco Lake Rd.) approx. 1 mile south of U.S. 2. Private property is located off Old U.S. 2, approx. 4 miles west of Watersmeet, MI. .					
<b>36. Papa Bear Vegetation Management Project</b> EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/03/2002 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	04/2007	Marlanea French-Pombier 906-358-4551 mfrenchpombier@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project proposes management of vegetative, access, fisheries/aquatics, botanical and wildlife resources in accordance with 2006 Forest Plan direction for Management Areas 2.1 and 3.1a.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - Ontonagon Co: T46N, R39W, Secs 7, 16-21 & 28-33; T46N, R40W, Secs 9-16, 20-29, & 34-36; Gogebic Co.: T45N, R39W, Secs 6-7; T45N, R40W, Secs 1-2 & 11-12. The project area is about 10 miles northwest of Watersmeet, Michigan..					

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<b>Ottawa National Forest Watersmeet Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
37. <b>Peterson Special Use - Duck Lake</b> CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/19/2007	01/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reconstruction/construction of an access road to private property.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T44N, R39W, Sec. 19, N1/2/SWSE. Project area is on the southwest side of Duck Lake, with access off of FR 6320. .					
38. <b>WE Energies - U.S. 45 Wayside</b> CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	Michelle Holland 906-358-4551 Ext. 21 mholland@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to run underground electric line to facilities in wayside from power line on U.S. 45.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/publications/news/newsletter/index.html</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T44N, R39W, Sec. 32, SENE. U.S. 45 Wayside, approximately .50 miles north of Land O'Lakes, WI.					
39. <b>Watersmeet Land &amp; Building Conveyance</b> EA	- Land ownership management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/23/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2007	Expected:06/2007	07/2007	Marlanea French-Pombier 906-358-4551 mfrenchpombier@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to convey buildings and land. The site contains residences and storage buildings and is located in a residential area within the city of Watersmeet.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N R39W Section 28, NE quarter. Old US 2 West, Watersmeet, MI.				
40. <b>Watersmeet Ranger Station Replacement</b> EA	- Facility management - Forest products	Completed	Actual: 02/28/2007	05/2007	Robert Evans 906-358-4551 raevans@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposed action is to construct a new Watersmeet Ranger Station, including an office, parking, warehousing and vehicle garage, near the intersection of US Highway 2 and US Highway 45 in Watersmeet, Michigan.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew">http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/ottawa/forest_management/whatsnew</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Watersmeet Ranger District. STATE - Michigan. COUNTY - Gogebic. LEGAL - T45N, R39W, Section 27 in Gogebic County, Michigan. Proposed location is southwest of the US 2 and US 45 intersection in Watersmeet, Michigan.					



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