



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2008 to 09/30/2008

Clearwater 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
--------------	-----------------	-----------------	----------	-------------------------	-----------------

Projects Occurring Nationwide

National Forest System Land Management Planning - Proposed Rule	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	Completed	Actual: 04/09/2008	04/2008	Gina Owens 202-205-1187 gowens@fs.fed.us
EIS	Description: The Agency proposes to publish a rule at 36 CFR part 219 to finish rulemaking on the land management planning rule issued on January 5, 2005 (2005 rule). The 2005 rule guides development, revision, and amendment of land management plans.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/emc/nfma/2008_planning_rule.html				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - All units of the National Forest System. Agency-wide.				

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)					
Geothermal Leasing Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/13/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2008	Expected:12/2008	02/2009	Peter Gaulke 703-605-4796 tparker03@fs.fed.us
Description: The Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service are preparing a joint Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement to analyze the leasing of BLM and USFS administered lands with moderate to high potential for geothermal resources in 11 western states. Web Link: http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/energy/geothermal/geothermal_nationwide.html					
Location: UNIT - Clearwater National Forest All Units, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest All Units, Bitterroot National Forest All Units, Lewis And Clark National Forest All Units, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest All Units, San Juan National Forest All Units, White River National Forest All Units, Carson National Forest All Units, Cibola National Forest All Units, Coronado National Forest All Units, Gila National Forest All Units, Lincoln National Forest All Units, Boise National Forest All Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest All Units, Dixie National Forest All Units, Fishlake National Forest All Units, Payette National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest All Units, Uinta National Forest All Units, Cleveland National Forest All Units, Eldorado National Forest All Units, Lassen National Forest All Units, Los Padres National Forest All Units, Mendocino National Forest All Units, Modoc National Forest All Units, San Bernardino National Forest All Units, Sequoia National Forest All Units, Tahoe National Forest All Units, Gifford Pinchot National Forest All Units, Malheur National Forest All Units, Mt Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest All Units, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest All Units, Umpqua National Forest All Units, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest All Units, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest All Units, Willamette National Forest All Units, R10 - Alaska Region All Units, Custer National Forest All Units, Rio Grande National Forest All Units, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units, Wasatch-Cache National Forest All Units, Klamath National Forest All Units, Sierra National Forest All Units, Ochoco National Forest All Units, Gallatin National Forest All Units, Helena National Forest All Units, Grand Mesa Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest All Units, Santa Fe National Forest All Units, Angeles National Forest All Units, Plumas National Forest All Units, Fremont-Winema National Forest All Units, Umatilla National Forest All Units, Lolo National Forest All Units, Nez Perce National Forest All Units, Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests All Units, Manti-Lasal National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units, Shasta Trinity National Forest All Units, Deschutes National Forest All Units, Mt. Hood National Forest All Units, Tonto National Forest All Units, Inyo National Forest All Units, Pike and San Isabel National Forests and Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands All Units, Washington Office (National Headquarter). STATE - Wyoming, Washington, Utah, Texas, South Dakota, Oregon, Oklahoma, North Dakota, New Mexico, Nevada, Nebraska, Montana, Kansas, Idaho, District of Columbia, Colorado, California, Arizona, Alaska. COUNTY - Aleutians East, La Paz, Colusa, Denver, Douglas, Bonner, Columbia, Coos. 11 contiguous Western States (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) and Alaska.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)					
Roadless Area Conservation; National Forest System Lands in Idaho EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 12/21/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/2008	Expected:09/2008	09/2008	Bradley Gilbert 208-765-7438 bjgilbert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Consideration of Idaho State Petition for management of NFS lands in inventoried roadless areas in Idaho.				
	Web Link: http://roadless.fs.fed.us/idaho.shtml				
Location: UNIT - Idaho Panhandle National Forest All Units, Clearwater National Forest All Units, Boise National Forest All Units, Payette National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Nez Perce National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Ada, Adams, Bannock, Bear Lake, Benewah, Bingham, Blaine, Boise, Bonner, Bonneville, Boundary, Butte, Camas, Canyon, Caribou, Cassia, Clark, Clearwater, Custer, Elmore, Franklin, Fremont, Gem, Gooding, Idaho, Jefferson, Jerome, Kootenai, Latah, Lemhi, Lewis, Lincoln, Madison, Minidoka, Nez Perce, Oneida, Owyhee, Payette, Power, Shoshone, Teton, Twin Falls, Valley, Washington. NFS lands in the State of Idaho.					

R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Clearwater-Nez Perce Forest Plan Revision CE	- Land management planning	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Maple Stuiivenga 208-935-4286 mstuiivenga@fs.fed.us
	Description: NOI to prepare an EIS to revise the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forest Management Plans published 9/30/2004. Revision work has stopped due to court injunction. will resume in September 2009.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/cnpz				
Location: UNIT - Clearwater National Forest All Units, Nez Perce National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forests.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Invasive Plants EIS EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/01/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/2008	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	Chad Benson 208-942-0307 cwbenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal is to treat invasive plants and noxious weeds with herbicides and biocontrols within the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness				
	Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District, Sula Ranger District, Missoula Ranger District, Moose Creek Ranger District, Powell Ranger District, Stevensville Ranger District, West Fork Ranger District. STATE - Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Ravalli. Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, administering Forests in Idaho and Montana; Clearwater, Nez Perce, Lolo and Bitterroot National Forests.				

Clearwater National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R1 - Northern Region
Clearwater Forest-wide Precommercial Thinning CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/02/2008	Expected:09/2008	05/2009	Beverly Yelczyn 208-476-8264 byelczyn@fs.fed.us
	Description: Precommercial thinning of overstocked sapling-sized stands to reduce stand tree densities and overstocking, and to conduct release and weeding activities. Activities to occur on approximately 9,000 acres across the Forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Clearwater National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater, Idaho, Latah. LEGAL - Forest-wide. Clearwater National Forest.				
Clearwater NF Travel Plan and OHV Rule Implementation EIS	- Road management - Recreation management - Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 11/28/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/2008	Expected:03/2009	06/2009	Lois Foster 208-935-4258 lfoster@fs.fed.us
	Description: Travel planning and analysis to implement the national OHV rule				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater/Projects/Projects.htm				
Location: UNIT - Clearwater National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater, Idaho, Shoshone. LEGAL - Forest-wide (with some exceptions). Travel planning on the Powell, Lochsa, North Fork Ranger Districts and Elk Creek basin of the Palouse Ranger District.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R1 - Northern Region
Saddle Camp Road Decommissioning CE *NEW LISTING*	- Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2008	Expected:05/2008	07/2008	Anne Connor 208-476-4541 aconnor@fs.fed.us
	Description: 6.4 mi. of overgrown, un-needed roads are proposed to be decommissioned and 4 mi. of rd to be stabilized until they are needed in the future. These are system and unclassified rds. Primary objective is to reduce watershed impacts				
	Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District, Powell Ranger District . STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T37N, R11E, Sec. 32, 33; T36N, R11E, Sec. 4, 7, 8, 17, 18; T36N, R10E, Sec.13. Indian Craves and lost Creek watersheds of the Lochsa River. Access t the area is provided by road 107, saddleCapm Road and Road 5601, Lost Creek Road.				
Small-Scale Suction Dredging on Lolo and Moose Creeks EIS	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/07/2004 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2008	Expected:03/2008 Actual: 12/05/2006	07/2008	Vern Bretz (208)476-4541 comments-northern-clearwater@fs.fed.us
	Description: Mining by suction dredging				
	Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District, Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater, Idaho. Lolo Creek and Moose Creek.				

Clearwater National Forest	Lochsa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Interface Fuels - Phase II CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Karen Smith 208-935-4252 kasmith03@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed fire and timber harvest to bring project area closer to desired Fire Regime Condition Class				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater				
Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - Townships 32N and 33N, Ranges 5E and 6E, Boise Meridian. Lochsa Ranger District.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest	Lochsa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Jim Brown Culvert Replacements CE *NEW LISTING*	- Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2008	Expected:05/2008	07/2008	Anne Connor 208-476-4541 aconnor@fs.fed.us
Description: three existing culverts on jim Brown Creek on the Clearwater NF are proposed for replacement with stream crossing structures (most probably bottomless arches) that will more naturally simulate stream function.					
Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - T35N, R5E, Sec. 11; T36N, R5E, Sec. 35; T36N, R5E, Sec. 26;. Just East of Forest Boundary, Lochsa Districtr (old Pierce District), on road 100 north of Pertersons Corner towards Pierce.					
North Lochsa Face EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Road management - Watershed management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land management planning - Regulations, Directives, Orders	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Craig Trulock 307-367-5710 ctrulock@fs.fed.us
Description: Vegetation management, including regeneration harvest, commercial thinning, salvage, and precommercial thinning, as well as, prescribed burning. Projects includes road work, noxious weed treatment, road obliteration, other restoration activites.					
Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T32, 33, 34, 35 and 36N, R 6 ,7, 8, and 9E, Boise Meridian. clearwaterNF, between Hwy 12 and the Lolo NF's Forest Rd 500, just north of teh small communitdies of lowell and Syringa, Idaho.					
Swede Fuels EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/11/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/2008	Expected:09/2008	06/2009	Tammy Harding (208)926-6436 tharding@fs.fed.us
Description: Fuels Reduction and Community/Private Property Protection Project					
Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - Townships 35N and 36N; R6E. Swede Cr. drainage; north of Musselshell Work Center; rural WUI along National Forest Bdy.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest	Lochsa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Yakus Creek EIS	- Watershed management - Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/08/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 05/2008	Expected:05/2008	09/2008	George Harbaugh 208-926-4274 comments-northern-clearwater-lochsa@fs.fed.us
Description: Timber Sale and watershed restoration					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater/Projects/Yakus_Creek_DEIS/Yakus_Creek_DEIS.htm					
Location: UNIT - Lochsa Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - R5E & R6E, T33N & T34N. 16 miles east of Kamiah, ID in the Yakus Creek drainage.					

Clearwater National Forest	North Fork Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Aquarius-Purple Beach Campground Improvement EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/24/2008	Expected:11/2008	07/2009	Lawrence Vogel 208-476-8344 levogel@fs.fed.us
Description: Develop individual camping sites by adding picnic tables & fire rings at dispersed area adjacent to Purple Beach & Aquarius Campground. Includes leveling of individual sites, new vault toilet, realignment of road junction, & new information kiosk.					
Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - S36, T41N, R6E, BM. Aquarius Campground/Purple Beach on the North Fork Clearwater River.					
Barnard Junction Fuels Project CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 08/27/2007	Expected:09/2009	08/2010	Tammy Harding (208)926-6436 tharding@fs.fed.us
Description: Landscape prescribed burn in the Barnard Creek drainage to accomplish fuels reduction and restore natural disturbance processes					
Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - T34N, T38N, T37N, R8E, R9E, R10E, & R11E. Boise Meridian. The 58,000-acre analysis area is located directly south of Kelly Frok Work Center in the Barnard and Fourth of July Creek drainages. Both Scurvy Mtn. & Junction Mtn. Lookouts are within the area.					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest	North Fork Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Long Creek Fuels CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 08/27/2007	Expected:09/2008	08/2009	Tammy Harding (208)926-6436 tharding@fs.fed.us
	Description: Landscape Prescribed Burn in the Long Creek drainage to accomplish fuels reduction and restore natural disturbance processes				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater/				
	Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater, Shoshone. LEGAL - T41N and T42N, R11E. Long Creek drainage 25 air miles south and west of Superior, Montana.				
Orogrande OHV CE	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Lawrence Vogel 208-476-8344 levogel@fs.fed.us
	Description: Create an OHV loop trail system in the Orogrande Creek area of the North Fork Ranger District. Project will primarily use existing roads and trails with some connections constructed between existing segments.				
	Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - T38 & 39N, R7 & 8E. Project will be located in the Orogrande, Pine, Larch, Hemlock and French Creek drainages of the North Fork Clearwater River basin.				
Weitas Creek Campground Upgrade EA	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Lawrence Vogel 208-476-8344 levogel@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of picnic tables and firerings at existing campground. Adding fill material to level individual sites. Installation of new vault toilets				
	Location: UNIT - North Fork Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Clearwater. LEGAL - S15, T38N, R8E BM. Weitas Creek Campground on the North Fork Clearwater River.				

Clearwater National Forest	Palouse Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Cherry Dinner EIS	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: FEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/14/2008	Expected:03/2008 Actual: 03/03/2008	08/2008	George Harbaugh 208-926-4274 gharbaugh@fs.fed.us
	Description: Timber Sale and Fuels Management project				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater/				
	Location: UNIT - Palouse Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Latah. LEGAL - T40N, R1W, S27. 5 Miles Southwest of Bovill, Idaho.				

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest	Palouse Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Corralled Bear EIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Watershed management - Recreation management - Fuels management - Forest products 	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/26/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/2008	Expected:08/2008	10/2008	Tam White 208-476-8226 twhite@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Project proposal includes vegetative treatments to achieve fuel reduction objectives, watershed improvement activities and travel management.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/clearwater/</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Palouse Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Latah. LEGAL - T40N, R1W & R2W, and T41N, R1W & R2W. Corral and East Fork Big Bear Creek drainages north of Highways 8 and 9 near Deary, Idaho in Latah County.</p>					
Robo Elk EIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Watershed management - Recreation management - Fuels management - Forest products 	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 07/2008	Expected:02/2010	09/2010	George Harbaugh 208-926-4274 gharbaugh@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Fuels reduction in the WUI (Elk River), vegetation, watershed, and recreation management project. Opportunity to expand the Bull Run RNA.</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Palouse Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Latah. LEGAL - T39-41N, R2-3E, BM. The analysis area includes National Forest System lands surrounding the town of Elk River, ID in the Elk Creek drainage.</p>					

Clearwater National Forest	Powell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Garnett Creek Trail (Trail 43) Reconstruction CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2008	Expected:12/2008	07/2009	Katie Knotek 208-942-0302 kknotek@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Trail reconstruction will include the removal of large boulders from the trail tread, the trail is currently impassable to pack and saddle stock. Trail is located in the Selway Bitterroot Wilderness.</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Powell Ranger District . STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T8N, R22W, Sections 25 and 30. Garnett Creek on the Powell Ranger District in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness.</p>					

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Clearwater National Forest	Powell Ranger District (excluding	Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region
Little Papoose Mine Bulk Sampling EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/10/2004 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/2008	Expected:04/2008	06/2008	Vern Bretz 208-476-4541 vbretz@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Little Papoose Mine project would develop two adits to remove minerals. Waste rock would be placed on existing jammer road. The Little Papoose Mine Bulk Sampling CE will analyze the one-year bulk sampling phase of development.				
	Location: UNIT - Powell Ranger District . STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - Townships 37 North, Range 14 East, Section 6, B.M. The ridge between the east and west forks of Imnamatoon (Papoose) Creek, Powell Ranger district.				
Warm Springs Trail (Trail 49) Reconstruction CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2008	Expected:12/2008	07/2009	Katie Knotek 208-942-0302 kknotek@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project is primarily drainage related & includes reconstructing cross drainage and spanning bog holes with suitable crossings. This is a mainline trail in the Selway Bitterroot Roadless area & connects the trailhead at Hwy 12 to Trail 213.				
	Location: UNIT - Powell Ranger District . STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T8N to T9N, R12E to R13E, Sections 17,18 and 20. Warm Springs area of the Powell Ranger District.				

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotope, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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