



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2007 to 06/30/2007

Helena National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Aerial Application of Fire Retardant 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
Description: 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.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/retardant/index.html					
Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nation Wide.					

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

Northern Rockies Lynx Amendment EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land management planning	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/16/2004 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/2007	Expected:04/2007	04/2007	Ray Smith 406-329-3381 raysmith@fs.fed.us
Description: Management guidelines for management of Canada Lynx on certain lands under the authority of the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/planning/lynx.html					
Location: UNIT - Idaho Panhandle National Forest All Units, Clearwater National Forest All Units, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest All Units, Bitterroot National Forest All Units, Kootenai National Forest All Units, Lewis And Clark National Forest All Units, Bighorn National Forest All Units, Ashley National Forest All Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Custer National Forest All Units, Flathead National Forest All Units, Gallatin National Forest All Units, Helena National Forest All Units, Lolo National Forest All Units, Nez Perce National Forest All Units, Shoshone National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units. STATE - Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Idaho. COUNTY - Missoula. LEGAL - Various. Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah.					

R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

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R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Outfitter Service-Day Allocation EIS	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Michael Munoz 406-466-5341 mamunoz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Outfitter-guide service-day allocation is being reviewed for the entire BMWC as part of Forest Plan revision on the Flathead and Lolo National Forests. This project has been cancelled..				
	Location: UNIT - Swan Lake Ranger District, Hungry Horse Ranger District, Lincoln Ranger District, Rocky Mountain Ranger District, Seeley Lake Ranger District, Spotted Bear Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Missoula, Pondera, Powell. LEGAL - see location description. Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex (Great Bear, Bob Marshall, and Scapegoat Wildernesses).				

Helena National Forest	Helena Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
American Bar Landowners Assn. Powerline CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	03/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing powerline permit for operating, using, and maintaining an underground 15 KV transmission line w/n the row of the county road that runs between Beaver Creek and American Bar.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T12 N, R 2 W, Secs. 7, 8, & 17, T 12 N, R 3 W, Sec.12. Within the ROW of the county road that runs between Beaver Creek and American Bar..				
Austin #1 Sampling CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	David Madden 406-495-3934 dmadden@fs.fed.us
	Description: This is a placer mining operation that will be using machinery to remove layers of soil and then scan with metal detectors to find gold.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T11N, R7W, Sec. 10,14,15. Hope Creek Drainage, north of Elliston, MT.				

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Blackhall Meadows Stream Gully Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/01/2007	Expected:05/2007	08/2007	Sue Farley 406-495-3723 sfarley@fs.fed.us
	Description: Stabilize an eroding gully by reshaping steep cutbanks to a gradual angle, installing logs, rocks, and/or erosion control fabric to alleviate head cutting. Also, revegetate bare soil with native plants and fence site to exclude cattle.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T9N, R5W, SE 1/4 Sec. 26. Project site is located at the north edge of the meadow at headwaters of Colorado Gulch..				
Bowers Road Relocation EA	- Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:07/2007	10/2007	Charlie McKenna 406-495-3729 cmckenna@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reroute about 2,000 feet of existing road from pvt. property across which there is no public ROW, to NFS lands immediately to the south west. The road would provide access from teh Jimtown Road to the Oregon Gulch/Hedges Mountain area.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T11N,R1W, NW 1/4 Sec. 22. Kingsbury Road.				
Cave Gulch Placer Sampling CE	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/11/2006	Expected:07/2007	08/2007	David Madden 406-449-5490 ext.3934 dmadden@fs.fed.us
	Description: Operator would remove over burden soils from test hole to the shale bedrock and sample. Total area sampled would not exceed one acre. Project duration would be less than one year.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T11N, R1W, Sec. 24, 25, 26. Cave Gulch, east shore of Canyon Ferry Lake. Two miles off County Rd. 284 above the private land..				
Cave Gulch Special Use Road EA	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/27/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2007	Expected:05/2007	06/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-495-3914 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reconstruct portions of the Cave Gulch Road that washed out after the 2000 Cave Gulch Fire. Prior to the flooding in 2001 and 2002, this road was authorized by a Special Use Permit to allow access to a private in-holding.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T 11 N, R 1 W, Sec. 35. Cave Gulch.				

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Cortright Special Use Private Road Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing road use permit that allows the permittee to access their private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. T9N, R4W, Sec.11.				
Cross Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing nongrazing special use permit.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. T8N, R4W, Sec.17.				
Dahl Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing special use permit for pasture grazing.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. T8N, R3W, portions of Sec. 11, 13, and 14.				
Dandro Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing special use non-grazing permit.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. T8N, R4W, Sec.17.				

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Don't Fence Me In Trail Run and Fun Walk CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/20/2007	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Jaime Tompkins 406-495-3946 jtompkins@fs.fed.us
	Description: Non- motorized recreation event that would occur on City of Helena roads and land in addition to approximately 2 miles of Forest system trails.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T9N, R4W, Sec.1 & 2. South of Helena on Forest system trails in the Rodney Ridge/Davis Gulch Area..				
FAS #1, #2 Exploration CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/17/2007	Expected:04/2007	04/2007	David Madden 406-495-3934 dmadden@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project includes work at portal opening and underground sampling, removal of old structures and equipment in the portal entrance area, and installation of a gate on the access road. Bulk samples will be removed using a skidsteer and dump truck.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T11N, R1W, Sec.33. The portal is located oon the East side of the Missouri River off the Jimtown Road, in the Clarks Gulch drainage..				
Haug Special Use Private Road permit renewal CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/01/2006	Expected:04/2007	06/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing Road Use Permit that allows the permittee to access their private land.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. SE 1/4, Sec. 9, T 8 N, R 2 W.				
Holliday Private Access EA	- Special use management - Road management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:08/2007	09/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use application requesting access to private land. An exchange of reciprocal easements is possible, depending on alternative selected.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powell. LEGAL - T 8 N, R 6 W, Sec. 6. Little Blackfoot River/Telegraph Creek.				

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Hunter Land Exchange EA	- Recreation management - Land ownership management - Land acquisition	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Larry Cole 406-449-5201 lcole@fs.fed.us
	Description: Exchange of private lands for NFS lands to consolidate land ownership and to improve administration of those lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. LEGAL - T8N, R2W, S 7,8.				
Joslin Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing special use permit for water collection box and transmission line.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. T9N, R4W, Sec.29.				
Joslin Special Use Private Road Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing road use permit that allows the permittee to access their private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. T9N, R4W, Sec.29.				
Lewis and Clark County Hedges Mtn. Communications Use CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2007	Expected:08/2007	09/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use application for long-term occupancy of site on Hedges Mtn. for communications use.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T 11 N, R 1 E, Sec. 6. Hedges Mtn..				

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Lodgepole Pine Test Plantation Thinning - Cellar Ogilvie CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:07/2007	09/2007	Amanda Milburn 406-495-3928 amilburn@fs.fed.us
	Description: Thinning a 20-year old LP test plantation to improve growing conditions for the most desirable individuals.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. Cellar Ogilvie.				
Montana Army National Guard Biathlon Range EA	- Special use management - Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/28/2006	Expected:06/2007	07/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use application requesting authority to construct and use a biathlon range and associated cross-country ski trails on NFS lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - t 10 N, R 6 W, Sec. 36. Mac Donald Pass.				
PPSR Private Access CE	- Special use management - Road management - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use application requesting access to private land.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. LEGAL - T8N, R2W, Sec.2. Elkhorn Mountains.				
Settle Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2007	02/2007	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of an existing special use permit for grazing.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. T11N, R6W, Sec. 20.				

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Skelton Private Access EA	- Special use management - Road management - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Kurt Cuneo 406-449-5490 kcuneo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use application requesting private access to two separate tracts of private land. An exchange of reciprocal easements will be required, thus allowing the public access to adjacent NFS lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T 12 N, R 1 W, Sec. 31, T 13N, R 1 E, Sec. 19. Soup Creek, Elk Ridge.				
South of Helena Hazardous Fuels Reduction CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/26/2006	Expected:04/2007	07/2007	Craig Kockler 406-495-3929 ckockler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Where applicable, prescribed fire would be utilized to reduce understory vegetation. Mechanical treatment would be used in other units within the project area to reduce less mature overstory.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T10N, R4W, Sec.34 & 35, T9N, R4W, Sec. 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, & 12. South of Helena, MT.				
Spring Hill Land Exchange EA	- Recreation management - Land ownership management - Land acquisition	Completed	Actual: 03/29/2007	06/2007	Larry Cole 406-449-5201 lcole@fs.fed.us
	Description: Exchange of private lands for NFS lands to consolidate land ownership and to improve administration of those lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T 9 N, R 4 W. Spring Gulch, Grizly Gulch, Orofino Gulch, Helena Administrative Site.				
Strawberry Lookout Administrative Site CE	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 02/07/2007	06/2007	Robert Martinez 406-495-3936 robertmartinez@fs.fed.us
	Description: Removal of vegetation from around Strawberry Lookout.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Jefferson. LEGAL - T8N, R3W, Sec. 1, NE 1/4, SE 1/4. Strawberry Lookout, SW of Helena.				

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Tri Arab Horse Club Judged Trail Ride CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/16/2007	Expected:05/2007	09/2007	Jaime Tompkins 406-495-3946 jtompkins@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approximately 15 miles of a judged trail ride would occur on NFS lands - with the remainder on private land in the Sweeney Creek area. The event would be limited to 75 participants and begin and end on private land.				
	Location: UNIT - Helena Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T10N, R5W, Sec. 15,16,21,22,23,26, and 28. Sweeney Creek Area.				

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Blackfoot - North Divide Travel Planning EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/09/2006	Expected:09/2007	12/2007	Mandy Alvino 406.362.4265 MAlvino@fs.fed.us
	Description: Create a plan that will provide for a variety of motorized and non-motorized winter recreation opportunities.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark, Powell. Lincoln Ranger District (except Scapegoat Wilderness) & appx. 30,000 acres nw of Helena RD.				
Canarway Water Development CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/28/2007	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	Shawn Heinert 406-362-4265 sheinert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Installation of an in-stream water collection system and pipe to a water tank. Water would be piped appx. 300 feet from the source to the tank. The overflow would be piped back into the creek. The pipeline would be disconnected in the winter.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T13N, R10W, NE 1/4 Sec.28. Along Canarway Gulch in the Chimney Creek Allotment.				
East Nevada Allotment CE	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2007	Expected:08/2007	06/2008	Shawn Heinert 406-362-4265 sheinert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Review current grazing management.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powell. LEGAL - T 12 N, R 8 W, Sec. 5-9, 16-18, 20-22. Nevada Creek Watershed.				

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East Stemple Hazardous Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management - Forest products	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jay Lindgren 406-362-4265 jlindgren@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduce hazardous fuels in the Stemple to Flesher Pass Area.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T13N, R7W, T14N, R6W. Stemple to Flesher Pass area east of Continental Divide, including Virginia Creek area and areas adjacent to Flesher Acres subdivision..				
Lincoln Springs Hazardous Fuels Reduction CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jay Lindgren 406-362-4265 jlindgren@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduce hazardous fuels in the Lincoln Gulch, Stonewall Creek, and Trapper Mtn. residential areas.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T14N, R9W, Sec. 8, 17, 20, 29, 33, and 34 T14N, R10W, Sec. 5 & 32 . Lincoln Gulch, Stonewall Creek, and Trapper Mtn. residential areas..				
Marsh Creek Allotment CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2007	Expected:08/2007	06/2008	Shawn Heinert 406-362-4265 sheinert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Allotment Mgt. Plan revision - maintain the current management and incorporate the adaptive management concept.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T13N, R7W, Sec. 25,26,27,34,35, and 36. East side of continental divide. Southeast of Granite Butte in the Marsh Creek and North Fork Marsh Creek drainage..				
Poor Boy Placer CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/01/2006	Expected:06/2007	06/2007	David Madden 406-495-3934 dmadden@fs.fed.us
	Description: The operator proposes to excavate 3 exploration trenches approximately 30' long and 12' deep to bed rock. Each trench will be back filled after sampling and the top soil placed back and seeded. Duration of the project should be approximately 2 days.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T13N, R8W, Sec.8 & 17. This project will be in the Poorman drainage in the area of Fields Gulch. Trenches will be in an area between the spoil pile and the rock ledge on the west side of Poorman Creek..				

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Tarhead Allotment CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2007	Expected:08/2007	06/2008	Shawn Heinert 406-362-4265 sheinert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Allotment Management Plan revision - maintain current management and incorporate the adaptive management concept.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Lewis and Clark. LEGAL - T14N, R6W, Sec. 16,20,21,22,28,29,31,32,34 and T13N, R6W, Sec. 4,5. East side of continental divide. South of Flesher Pass in the Weino, Specimen, Tarhead and Trout Creek drainages..				
West Nevada Allotment CE	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/30/2007	Expected:08/2007	06/2008	Shawn Heinert 406-362-4265 sheinert@fs.fed.us
	Description: Review the allotment management plan for this area - specifically using adaptive management.				
	Location: UNIT - Lincoln Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powell. LEGAL - T 13 N, R 9 W, Sec. 28 - 33. Between Ogden Mtn. and Dalton Mtn..				

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Burned Area Fenceline Clearing CE	- Grazing management - Forest products	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Tracy Schilling 406-495-3870 tschilling@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove dead/dying trees along existing firelines within the Maudlow-Toston fire areas to repair damages from blowdown and to prevent further damage.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. Big Belt Mountains - primarily Blacktail and Sulphur Bar areas in hte Maudlow Toston fire area..				

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Cabin Gulch Vegetation Management EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/04/2006 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2007	Expected:09/2007	11/2007	Sharon Scott 406-495-3943 sascott@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will address stand health and related fuel hazards in an area with expanding insect infestations (Douglas-fir beetle and pine bark beetle).				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. Big Belt Mountains - Cabin Gulch and North Fork Deep Creek drainages..				
Halverson Private Road SUP Re-issuance CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/01/2005	Expected:05/2007	06/2007	Stephen Wyatt 406-266-3425 swyatt@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed reissuance of a 10 year private road permit. Road is existing. No use change expected. No ground disturbance involved. Long-term 30 year lease may be considered - or 20 year permit.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. Big Belt Mountains, South Belts, Deep Creek/Black Butte Gulch.				
Hidden Hollow Hideaway Priority Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Roy Barkley 406-495-3853 rbarkley@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issuance of existing priority outfitter and guide permit for big game season and summer use.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. South Big Belt Mountains, South of Confederate Gulch and Boulder Lakes.				
Lodgepole Pine Test Plantation Thinning - Long Gulch CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:07/2007	09/2007	Amanda Milburn 406-495-3928 amilburn@fs.fed.us
	Description: Thinning a 20-year old LP genetic test plantation to improve growing conditions for the most desirable individuals.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. Long Gulch.				

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Ramshorn Outfitting Priority Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:05/2007	05/2007	Roy Barkley 406-495-3853 rbarkley@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issuance of existing priority outfitter and guide permit for big game season.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater, Meagher. South Big Belt Mountains, including Birch Creek Basin.				
South Belts Travel Plan EA	- Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/12/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/2007	Expected:09/2007	10/2007	Beth Ihle (406) 266-3425 bihle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Travel planning (open/closed status, season of use, type of use).				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater, Meagher. Southern portion of the Big Belt Mountain Range.				
Townsend Dwelling CE	- Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2007	Expected:09/2007	09/2007	Larry Cole 406-495-3728 lcole@fs.fed.us
	Description: Sale of home on administrative site within Townsend city limits.				
	Location: UNIT - Townsend Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Broadwater. LEGAL - T7N, R2E, Sec. 31. Townsend, MT.				

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