



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2007 to 12/31/2007

Black Hills 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:10/2007	10/2007	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.					
National Forest System Land Management Planning - Proposed Rule EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/31/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 12/2007	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Kevin Lawrence 202-205-2613 klawrence01@fs.fed.us
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/2007_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.					

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

R2 - Rocky Mountain Region

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Black Hills National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
Black Hills National Forest Travel Management Plan EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Road management - Recreation management - Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 09/11/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/2008	Expected:09/2008	01/2009	Thomas Willems 605-673-9217 twillems@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest proposes to identify roads and trails which would be open to motorized travel. The decision will lead to the required Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). The decision may include game retrieval and dispersed camping, but not over-snow travel.				
	Location: UNIT - Black Hills National Forest All Units. STATE - Wyoming, South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Fall River, Lawrence, Meade, Pennington, Crook, Weston. Forest-wide.				

Black Hills National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
BHP - Pactola Sub-Station to Windy Flats upgrade CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/25/2006	Expected:02/2008	10/2007	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Rebuild existing 69kv overhead powerline with new structures (poles and wire). The old structures (poles and wire) will be removed.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District, Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence, Pennington. LEGAL - T1N,R5E,Sect2; T2N,R5E,Sects 16, 17, 21, 27, 28, 34,35; T4N,R4E,Sect 33; T3N,R4E, Sects 3, 4, 10, 15, 22, 23, 26, 35, 36; T2N,R4E,Sect 21; T3N,R5E,Sects 6-8.. Pactola Substation to Windy Flats.				
North Zone Range 08 EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 10/2007	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	Tom Smith 605-642-4622 tsmith01@fs.fed.us
	Description: Authorization and management of grazing by domestic livestock and construction and reconstruction of range improvements.				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District, Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming, South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence, Pennington, Crook. The following allotments in South Dakota and Wyoming: Pettigrew, Griffith, Upper Elk, East Rapid, Starns Park/Willow Springs, Grand Canyon, Silver Creek, Black Haw, and Huett Springs..				

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Black Hills National Forest	Bearlodge Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Bearlodge Small Range Allotments CE	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 09/28/2007 09/26/2007 09/24/2007	10/2007	Julie Wheeler 307-283-1361 juliewheeler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Allotment management plan revision				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - Varies. Bearlodge Ranger District.				
Burkhart Easement (was Huett Spring Easement) CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	11/2007	Jeanette Timm 307-283-1361 jmtimm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Easement for private land owner for use of existing road on National Forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - T52N R63W section 32, 6th principal meridian. Four miles northwest of Sundance, Wyoming.				
Moskee Forest Health Project EA	- Road management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/25/2007	Expected:09/2007 Actual: 09/05/2007	11/2007	Elizabeth Krueger 307-283-1361 ekrueger@fs.fed.us
	Description: Timber harvest, beetle infestation reduction, fuel reduction				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. Northwest Black Hills near Moskee, Wyoming.				
Moskee Land Exchange EA	- Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2007	Expected:09/2009	11/2009	Jeanette Timm 307-283-1361 jmtimm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Acquire private inholdings in exchange for isolated NFS tracts				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - Acquire T49N R60W sec 6-8, 17-18; T50N R60W sec 4, 31; in exchange for T50N R61W sec 26, 27, 30, 31. Twelve miles southeast of Sundance, Wyoming.				

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Neiman Easement CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:02/2008	04/2008	Jeanette Timm 307-283-1361 jmtimm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Landowner easement on 1.3 miles of NFSR 848.1 for access to private land				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - T53N R63W sections 31, 32, 6th principal meridian. Eight miles north of Sundance, Wyoming.				
Newmont Mineral Exploration (Warren #2) EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/09/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2008	Expected:06/2008	09/2008	Jeanette Timm 307-283-1361 jmtimm@fs.fed.us
	Description: Mineral exploration - approximately 81 drill holes and 30 trenches				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - T52N, R63W; also northern part of T51N, R63W, 6th principal meridian. Southern Bear Lodge Mountains, Crook County, Wyoming.				
Rattlesnake Forest Management Project EIS *NEW LISTING*	- Road management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 12/2007	Expected:12/2008	04/2009	Elizabeth Krueger 307-283-1361 ekrueger@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fuel reduction, timber harvest, bark beetle risk reduction, late-succession landscape management, transportation system management				
	Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - T50-51N, R60-61W, 6th principal meridian. 10 miles east of Sundance, Wyoming.				

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Black Hills National Forest	Bearlodge Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Snyder Vegetation Management EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Watershed management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Recreation management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/17/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	04/2008	Elizabeth Krueger 307-283-1361 ekrueger@fs.fed.us
Description: Timber harvest, fuel reduction, prescribed fire, travel management					
Location: UNIT - Bearlodge Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Crook. LEGAL - T54N, T53N, R63W, 6th principal meridian. Bear Lodge Mountains.					

Black Hills National Forest	Hell Canyon Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Alabaugh Fuels CE	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:04/2008	07/2008	Patricia Hudson 605-673-4853 phudson@fs.fed.us
Description: Fuel reduction along wildland/urban interface south of Hot Springs, SD.					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. South of Hot Springs, SD.					
Boy Scouts of America Outfitter and Guide Special Use Permit Reissuance CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 04/20/2007	02/2007	Patricia Hudson 605-673-4853 phudson@fs.fed.us
Description: Hell Canyon Ranger District proposes reissuing a term Special Use Permit to Black Hills Area Chapter Boy Scouts of America for Outfitting and Guiding.					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T1S, R3E, Section 35, Black Hills Meridian. Boy Scouts of America, Camp Medicine Mountain, Custer County, South Dakota,.					

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Cattail Land Exchange EA	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2002 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2008	Expected:10/2008	01/2009	Laura Burns 605-673-4853 lburns@fs.fed.us
Description: Exchange NFS land south of Hwy 16 along with one parcel north of Hwy 16 for land south of Hwy 16 and owned by The Nature Conservancy and Oonagh Wood.					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Fall River. LEGAL - T6S R4E Sections 23 & 24; T3S R4E Sections 9, 16; T8S R4E Sec. 24 and 14; T8S R5E Sec. 19; T9S R6E Section 6 (to be conveyed). T4S R3E Sec. 4, 5, 9, 32; T6S R5E Sec. 31, 32 (to be acquired). Parcels throughout the District, but primarily south of Hwy 16..					
Jasper Rx Burn CE *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:04/2008	09/2008	Matthew Spring 605-673-9374 mtrspring@fs.fed.us
Description: Prescribed burn to reduce fuels and site prep for tree planting.					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T 3 S R 2 E. Within perimeter of Jasper Burn.					
Jeanine Mine CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Phillip Greer 605-673-4853 pgreer@fs.fed.us
Description: Proposal to mine mica					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - Sec. 29, T2S, R4E, BHM. North of Custer, South Dakota.					
Mahrt Spring CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	04/2008	Bradley Phillips 605-673-4853 bjphillips@fs.fed.us
Description: Spring development and protection.					
Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T 4 S R 4 E Section 18. Pleasant Valley road.					

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Mortenson STA CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2007	Expected:02/2008	02/2008	Meagan Buehler 605-673-4853 mkbuehler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Small Tracts Act conveyance of FS property to private				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T3S R4E Section 20. Upper French Creek.				
National Outdoor Leadership School Special Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 04/17/2007	01/2007	Patricia Hudson 605-673-4853 phudson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to reissue National Outdoor Leadership Special Use Permit to Outfit and Guide on the Hell Canyon Ranger District				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T3S, R4E, Sections 1 & 12, Black Hills Meridian. T3S, R4E, Sec. 1&12, Hell Canyon Ranger District.				
Norbeck Wildlife Preserve Project EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/31/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2008	Expected:08/2008	12/2008	Alice Allen 605-673-4853 aaallen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Wildlife habitat improvement project				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Pennington. LEGAL - T 2 S R 5 E, T 2 S R 6 E, T3S R5E. Norbeck Wildlife Preserve on the Hell Canyon RD excluding T5S R5E Section 2.				
Peterson STA Application CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:12/2007	02/2008	Meagan Buehler 605-673-4853 mkbuehler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Small Tract Act application for conveyance of a witch's lane from FS to private.				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1N R1E Section 4,9. Slicker Dick Spring.				

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Black Hills National Forest	Hell Canyon Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Redbird STA CE	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/02/2004	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Laura Burns 605-673-4853 lburns@fs.fed.us
	Description: Exchange portion of road crossing private parcels for a witches lane that is not needed for public access.				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T3S R1E S1/2 Section 9.. Redbird Canyon, including FSR 376.				
SO Administrative Site Sale EA	- Land ownership management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/17/2007	Expected:11/2007	05/2008	Laura Burns 605-673-4853 lburns@fs.fed.us
	Description: Land Adjustment				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T3S R4E Sections 23 & 26. Custer County, adjacent to Custer, South Dakota.				
Snowmobile Trail System 2007 CE	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 08/13/2007	09/2007	Laura Burns 605-673-4853 lburns@fs.fed.us
	Description: Three proposals. First is a reroute related to safety issues. Second is to make a loop trail of Trail 12A. Third proposal is to not maintain/groom/sign trails south of Ditch Creek warming shelter.				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T 2 S R 3 E Sections 29, 30, 31; T 2 S R 2 E Sections 11, 12, 13, 23-26, 36. Snowmobile Trail on National Forest System Roads (NFSR) 294 and 384 on the Hell Canyon Ranger District. Proposal three includes trails south of NFSR 291..				
South EIS	- Fuels management - Forest products	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/25/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/2008	Expected:06/2008	09/2008	Betsy Koncerak 605-673-4853 bkoncerak@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation mgmt. to reduce potential for large-scale high-intensity wildfire and insect infestation, increase wildlife habitat diversity, maintain soil and water resources, and manage for access needs.				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T 4 S R 4 E. Along Pleasant Valley road on the Hell Canyon Ranger District.				

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Black Hills National Forest Hell Canyon Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
Southern Hills Range Project CE	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 09/20/2007	10/2007	Jeff Tomac 307-746-2782 jtomac@fs.fed.us
	Description: Range Rescission on 6 Allotments. Alabaugh, Cascade, Wasboard, Willoughby, Soldier Creek, and Dry Beaver Allotments				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming, South Dakota. COUNTY - Fall River, Pennington, Weston. LEGAL - T8-9S, R4-6E Fall River South Dakota and T2N, R1E Pennington County, South Dakota and T48N, R60W Weston County, Wyoming. Hell Canyon Ranger District .				
Velvet Mine EA	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Phillip Greer 605-673-4853 pgreer@fs.fed.us
	Description: FS analysis and decision of proposal to mine locatable feldspar at the abandoned Velvet mine				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - SW1/4, SW1/4, Sec. 17, T4S, R2E, Black Hills Meridian. Six miles southwest of Custer, South Dakota.				
Wagner Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/24/2005	Expected:01/2008	01/2008	Laura Burns 605-673-4853 lburns@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issue an easement to grant access to a private landowner.				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - T5S R4E Sections 3 & 4.. Off Carroll Creek Road..				
Zebra Mine CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Phillip Greer 605-673-4853 pgreer@fs.fed.us
	Description: FS analysis and decision of proposal to mine mineral materials near Pringle, South Dakota				
	Location: UNIT - Hell Canyon Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer. LEGAL - SW1/4, SW1/4, Sec. 30, T5S, R5E. Approximately 2 miles south of Pringle along Shirtail Canyon Road.				

Black Hills National Forest Mystic Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region

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Black Hills National Forest	Mystic Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Blackhawk Water Tank CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:04/2008	08/2008	Steven Pischke 605-343-1567 spischke@fs.fed.us
	Description: All Blackhawk Water Users District to locate a 800,000 gallon water tank on the National Forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Meade. LEGAL - T2N, R6E, Sect 1. Water tank and road is approx. one mile northwest of the town of Blackhawk, SD.				
Bouska Private Road Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/25/2006	Expected:09/2007	12/2007	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Existing access to private property will be authorized with a private road easement.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N, R5E, Sect 14. Off the North Bogus Jim Road..				
Gateway to Hill City (Reder Administrative Sale) CE	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/24/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Rusty Wilder 605-673-9268 rwilder@fs.fed.us
	Description: FS proposes to sell 86 acres on NFS lands (either collectively or by individual lots) inside the city limits of Hill City, SD				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R5E, Lot 26 Sec 30; Lot 7 Sec 29; Lot 6 Sec 29; Lot 5 Sec 29; Lot 13 Sec 19; Lot 13 Sec 20. South and North of Hwy 16 between Hill City and east of China Gulch Road.				
Hayward Prescribed Burn CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/23/2007	Expected:10/2007	12/2007	Jacob Jackson 605-574-2985 jejackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed broadcast burning to remove continuous hazard fuels around urban interface. Approximately 1350 acres. Possible coordination with Custer State Park.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Pennington. LEGAL - T2S,R6E, Sec 13-14,23-26,35-36; T2S,R7E, Sec 19,30. Approx. 2 miles east of Playhouse Rd, South of Iron Creek, North of Custer State Park..				

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Hunsacker STA (Pancratz) CE	- Land ownership management	Completed	Actual: 08/01/2007	09/2007	Steven Pischke 605-343-1567 spischke@fs.fed.us
	Description: Disposal of National Forest System land under authority of the Small Tracts Act.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2S, R6E, Sec 4. Within the town of Keystone, South Dakota.				
Lindsay FLPMA CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/20/2006	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reciprocal ROW access private property and NFS lands within the Placer TS.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N,R5E,Sect 27,28. ROW within Placer.				
McIntosh Fen Vegetative Treatment Project EIS	- Special area management	In Progress: FEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/10/2005	Expected:10/2005	01/2006	Chelsea Vollmer 605-716-2072 cvollmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed project (~53 acres) within the McIntosh Fen was deferred from the Deerfield ROD 10/20/05 until after the Phase II Amendment to the Forest Plan. Consistency with the FP as Amended is needed for a decision second ROD under the DF EIS.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1N,R2E, Sections 22-23,25,26. Near Deerfield Reservoir along Castle Creek.				
Mills Family Partnership STA CE	- Land ownership management	Completed	Actual: 08/17/2005	09/2007	Steven Pischke 605-343-1567 spischke@fs.fed.us
	Description: Disposal of National Forest System land under authority of the Small Tracts Act.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R5E, Sec 32. Approximately one (1) mile southeast of Hill City, South Dakota.				

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Black Hills National Forest	Mystic Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Mitchell Project EIS	- Fuels management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 06/29/2007	Expected:09/2007	09/2007	Phillip Grumstrup 605-343-1567 pgrumstrup@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project planning and analysis - vegetative and fuels management in wildland urban interface, prescribed burning, resource protection and management. NEPA analysis per Healthy Forest Restoration Act (HFRA) authority.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. NFS lands surrounding Hill City and Keystone, South Dakota.				
Mt. Rushmore Telephone - Underground Fiber Optic Cable CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 04/16/2007	10/2007	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Underground fiber optic phone line from Keystone to Hermosa adjacent to existing roads.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Pennington. LEGAL - T2S,R6E, Sect 9; T2S,R6E, Sect 15, 16, 14, 23, 26, 22, 27. Between Keystone and Hermosa.				
Pactola Work Center (Administrative Sale) CE	- Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	03/2008	Rusty Wilder 605-673-9268 rwilder@fs.fed.us
	Description: The FS proposes to sell 20 acres (of the 100 acres) of the Pactola Administrative Work Center site in Dec. 2007 or early Spring 2008.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N, R5E, Sect 26 E1/2 SE 1/4 SE 1/4. Approx. 12 miles west of Rapid City, SD via highway 44.				
Peterson FLMPA CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Road easement to access private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R5E, SE 1/4 of Section 21. East of Hill City, SD.				

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Pole Creek CE *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2008	Expected:05/2008	09/2008	Cody Hutchinson 605-574-2534 crhutchinson@fs.fed.us
Description: Vegetative mangement up to 1,000 acres with prescribed burning up to 4500 acres.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R2E, Sec 3-4,9-17,21-27; T1S R3E Sec 17-20,30. Approx 2 miles southwest of Deerfield Lake (Ditch Creek area).					
Policky FLPMA CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/25/2006	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
Description: Transfer existing FLPMA private road easement from Hansen to Policky.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N, R6E, Sect 36. Private road easement located off Nemo Road..					
Red Tiger CE *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	04/2008	Cody Hutchinson 605-574-2534 crhutchinson@fs.fed.us
Description: Commercial, non-commercial and prescribed burning to reduce hazardous fuels around private property.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1N, R3E, Sec 36; T1N, R4E, Sec 29, 31-33; T1S, R4E, Sec 4-6. Approx four miles northwest of Hill City, SD.					
Rees FLMPA Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/01/2007	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Steven Pischke 605-343-1567 spischke@fs.fed.us
Description: Grant one access route across the National Forest to a tract of private property using an existing two-track road.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N, R3E, Sec 26 sw 1/4. Approx. 2 miles south of Rochford, SD via USFS Road 238..					

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Reroute Snowmobile Trail #2G CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Dave Slepnikoff 605-343-1567 dslepnikoff@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocate portion of trail to FSR 692 and 692 11 to provide grooming and access to the Green Mountain Snowmobile Lot for GF&P				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1N, R3E, Sec 7-9, 17-17. Near Gillette Prairie -- Gold Run and Heely Creek area.				
Section 30 Limestone Mining EIS	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 10/27/2006 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 07/2008	Expected:12/2008	12/2008	Dave Slepnikoff 605-343-1567 dslepnikoff@fs.fed.us
	Description: A Plan of Operation has been submitted by Pete Lien & Sons, Inc. for the purpose of mining chemical grade limestone within mining claims on approximately 100 acres of NFS lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2N, R7E, NE1/4 Section 30. Northwest of the city boundary of Rapid City, SD .				
Spring Creek Dams Improvement CE *NEW LISTING*	- Facility management - Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/06/2007	Expected:12/2007	08/2008	David Plummer 605-642-4622 dgplummer@fs.fed.us
	Description: USFS, in partnership with the SD Dept. Game, Fish & Parks proposes to make improvements to The Major & Mitchell Dams to meet federal dam safety requirements & improve the aquatic ecosystem by dredging silt that has been deposited into these lakes.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R5E, Sec 28, 29; T1S, R5E, Sec 30. Mitchell Dam/Lake two miles east of Hill City along Hwy 16/385; Major is located within the community of Hill City, SD.				
Upper Spring Creek (USC) EIS	- Fuels management - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 10/2007	Expected:09/2008	09/2008	Phillip Grumstrup 605-343-1567 pgrumstrup@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project planning and analysis - vegetative management to address insect (MPB) epidemic and fuels hazard concerns, prescribed burning, resource protection & management. NEPA analysis may be under HFRA authority.				
	Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Custer, Pennington. NFS lands west and south of Hill City, SD..				

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Wiese Private Road Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/25/2006	Expected:11/2007	12/2007	Rodney Brown 605-343-1567 rwbrown@fs.fed.us
Description: Authorize existing road easement access to private property owned by Wiese.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T1S, R5E, Sect 25, 36.. Existing access road approx. .25 mile.					
Wildcat Quarry EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/16/2004 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2008	Expected:11/2008	04/2009	Steven Pischke 605-343-1567 spischke@fs.fed.us
Description: Develop a new aggregate quarry west of Hill City, SD.					
Location: UNIT - Mystic Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Pennington. LEGAL - T2S, R3E, Sec 20. 16 miles southwest of Hill City, SD..					

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Black Hills Experimental Forest Research Study CE	- Research	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 08/16/2007	Expected:10/2007	12/2007	Blaine Cook 605-673-9243 bcook@fs.fed.us
NEW LISTING					
Description: Study involves thinning and leaving variable levels of logging slash on up to 60 acres to assess impact of treatments on wood production, production efficiency, and resistance to mountain pine beetle.					
Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. Approximately 14 air miles south-southeast of the town of Lead, South Dakota, and just west of Highway 385.					
Black Hills Power Distribution Amendment-Arnold CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:01/2008	01/2008	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
Description: Amendment to existing Special Use Permit to allow construction and installation of a powerline to a cabin site.					
Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. Along Highway 85 about 4.5 miles south of the intersection of Highway 14A and Highway 85. About 7 miles north of Chenne Crossing..					

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Bolton FLPMA Road Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/18/2006	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Land owner has applied to acquire an easement across National Forest System Land for access to private property within the Black Hills National Forest. Access road would include two crossings of a small stream.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Section 25, T5N, R2E, Black Hills Meridian, Lawrence County, South Dakota. Spearfish Quadrangle No.2. Maitland area, approximately 8 miles southeast of Spearfish..				
Butte Electric Power Line EA	- Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Butte Electric Proposes to remove approximately 5 miles of overhead electrical line and replace the line with a buried 15KV 3 phase line.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence, Meade. LEGAL - Sections 23, 24, 25 and 36, T5N, R4E; and Section 1, T4N, R4E, Black Hills Meridian, Lawrence County, South Dakota; and Sections 31 and 32, T5N, R5E, BHM, Meade County, South Dakota . This area is between Boulder Canyon and Vanocker Canyon west and adjacent to the Fort Meade watershed..				
Carex Alopecoidea Exclosures CE	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 09/07/2007	06/2008	Tom Smith 605-642-4622 tsmith01@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct fence around two riparian areas to protect riparian and botanical values.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. The Ladyfinger and Pettigrew drainages in the Pettigrew allotment..				

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Citadel Ecosystem Management Project EIS	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land management planning	Completed	Actual: 08/30/2007	11/2007	Christopher Stores 650-642-4622 cstores@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation and travel management to improve wildlife habitat and reduce hazardous fuels				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T. 4N., R 1E., Secs. 4-6; T. 5N., R. 1E., Secs. 1-12, 14-22, 28-33; T. 5N., R. 2E., Secs. 3-11, 14-17; T. 6N., R. 1E., Secs. 10, 14, 15, 19-36; T. 6N., R. 2E., Secs. 19, 20, 26-35 . Immediately southwest of Spearfish, SD.				
Grimm FLPMA Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/31/2005	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Propose to grant an easement across National Forest land to private property in exchange for a right-of-way across private land to access National Forest land. The length of the easement is approximately 200 feet long and 66 feet wide or 0.3 acres				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - NENE, Sectio 18, T5N, R4E, Black Hills Meridian, Lawrence County, South Dakota.. Three miles northeast of Deadwood South Dakota, one mile north of the Boulder Canyon Highway, 14A..				
Grizzly Land Exchange EA	- Special use management - Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/02/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:12/2007	01/2008	Kaye Olpin 605-642-4622 kolpin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Land exchange of 227 acres owned by Homestake Mining Co. for 479 acres of NFS land. Purchase of less than 8 acres of NFS land under the Small Tracts Act. Purchase acres are surrounded by patented mining claims in area of current development				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Non-Federal land: Sections 11 and 14, T2N, R5E, BHM, Pennington County; Sections 6, 8 and 31, T3N, R1E, BHM, Lawrence County, Federal land: Fed land is located near Deadwood and Lead, SD. Private land is located near Wyoming border and in Pennington County.				

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Lew Wight Mining EA	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/25/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:11/2007	01/2008	Kaye Olpin 605-642-4622 kolpin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal for a small scale mining operation along Rapid Creek utilizing back hoe, front end loader in a trenching operation to remove overburden.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Section 29, T2N, R4E, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota. Jct of the Rochford and Mystic Roads 4 miles east of Rochford, 20 airmiles west of Rapid City..				
Little Spearfish Allotment Water Development CE	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/15/2007	Expected:10/2007	05/2008	Tom Smith 605-642-4622 tsmith01@fs.fed.us
	Description: Extension of existing water pipe and installation of stock tank to ensure adequate water supply for livestock and wildlife.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. North about = mile along the west side of Forest Service Road 734.1, terminating near road 734.1E in the Little Spearfish Allotment..				
MDU Crook Mountain Gas Line CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/27/2007	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Authorization of a permit to install 1.3 miles of natural gas line. The line would run underground, and all but 20 feet would be placed three feet below an existing road route.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Section 3, 11 and 2 of T6N, R4E, Black Hills Meridian. FSR 176.1 up to the intersection of FSR 176.2 and FSR 176.1E and then up FSR 176.1E for 1/4 mile..				
Michaels Road Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/31/2005	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Landowner has applied to acquire an easement across National Forest System land for access to private property within the Black Hills National Forest				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Section 30, T5N, R2E, BHM, Lawrence County, South Dakota. One mile north of Savoy in Spearfish Canyon. Savoy No. 5 Quadrangle .				

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Owens FLPMA Road Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/31/2005	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Private land owner has applied to acquire easement across National Forest land to access private property.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Meade. LEGAL - Section 31, T4N, R5E, Black Hills Meridian, Meade County, South Dakota. Approximately 10 miles south of Sturgis, SD, off of Vanocker Highway..				
Roubaix Lake Dam and Spillway Reconstruction CE	- Facility management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Bonnie Jones 605-642-4622 bjjones@fs.fed.us
	Description: Dam/spillway reconstruction. Project cancelled from publication on SOPA because District personnel determined it is more appropriately excluded from documentation in an EA/EIS under a category of actions for which a Decision Memo is not required.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. Roubaix Lake.				
Roughlock Falls Parking Area EA	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/30/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:10/2007	12/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construction of two new parking lots to accommodate 14 vehicles and may include a hard surface. Construction of an 80 ft. diameter vehicle turnabout. Both are proposed for safety and convenience and will be carried out by SDGF&P.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - Section 36, T5N, R1E. Roughlock Falls.				
Rousch FLPMA Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/31/2005	Expected:10/2007	10/2007	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Propose to grant an easement across National Forest land to private property in exchange for a right-of-way across private land to access National Forest land. The length of the easement is approximately 200 feet long and 66 feet wide or 0.3 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - NW1/4, Section 18, T5N, R4E, Black Hills Meridian, Lawrence County, South Dakota.. Three miles northeast of Deadwood, South Dakota, one mile north of the Boulder Canyon Highway, 14A..				

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Snowmobile Trail Reroutes 2007 CE	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 09/17/2007	11/2007	Bonnie Jones 605-642-4622 bjjones@fs.fed.us
	Description: Movement of one section of trail to its previous location and movement of sections of two other trails to accomodate automobile traffic to private residences.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. In the Trailshead, O Neil Pass and Besant Park areas..				
Vanocker/Boulder Canyon Reroute-Butte Electric CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Removal of 8 miles of overhead electric line and installation of 5.75 miles of buried line.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Meade. LEGAL - T5N, R5E, Sections 30, 31, 32, Black Hills Meridian, Deadman Quadrangle. Off the Vanocker Highway on FSR 170.4, FSR 170.4C, and FSR 171.1B..				
West Rim Forest Management EIS	- Road management - Watershed management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 09/14/2007 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2008	Expected:07/2008	09/2008	Christopher Stores 605-642-4622 cstores@fs.fed.us
	Description: Timber harvest, fuel reduction, and other activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T4N R1E, R2E, W Black Hills Meridian. Northern Hills Ranger District.				
Yates Pond Drainage Pipe EA	- Road management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Hillarie Jackson 605-642-4622 hljackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Installation of a drainage pipe to stabilize soils and minimize road damage.				
	Location: UNIT - Northern Hills Ranger District. STATE - South Dakota. COUNTY - Lawrence. Yates Pond just outside the right-of-way on the east side of Highway 14A..				

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