



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2009 to 06/30/2009

Gifford Pinchot National Forest

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Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

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Geothermal Leasing Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/13/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2008	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.					

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R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Aquatic Outfitter and Guide Special Use Permits EA	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:09/2009	11/2009	Don Gay 360-856-5700 dgay@fs.fed.us
Description: Issue special use permits for outfitter and guides using the N.F. Nooksack, Skagit, Sauk, Skykomish, and Cispus Rivers					
Location: UNIT - Mt Baker Ranger District, Darrington Ranger District, Skykomish Ranger District, Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis, Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom. LEGAL - T40NR6E, T39NR6 and 7E, T39NR7E, T35NR8,9,10E, T36NR11E, T31-35NR10E, T32NR9E, T27NR9 and 10E, T11NR5,6,7, and 8E. N. F. Nooksack, Skagit, Sauk, Skykomish, and Cispus Rivers.					

Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)				R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Botanical Special Forest Products Harvest CE	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/15/2008	Expected:04/2009	04/2009	Erin Black 541-352-6002 ext. 634 ekblack@fs.fed.us
Description: The Forest proposes to authorize and regulate the sustainable harvest of forest botanical products, including salal, fungi (including mushrooms), huckleberries, and beargrass, as well as less frequently requested botanical species.					
Location: UNIT - Gifford Pinchot National Forest All Units. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat, Lewis, Skamania. Across the Forest within land allocations where harvesting is not limited or prohibited.					

Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)				R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Sawtooth Huckleberry Restoration Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 04/01/2009	06/2009	Cheryl Mack 509-395-3421 cmack@fs.fed.us
Description: The proposal is to enhance huckleberry production. A variety of methods for reducing tree canopy cover could occur, including lopping, girdling, firewood harvest, commercial timber harvest, and prescribed burning.					
Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument, Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. LEGAL - T7N, R8E, Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27. The Sawtooth Berry Fields are located about 13 miles NW of Trout Lake, WA.					

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Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Vegetation Management Activities on South Zone of Gifford Pinchot National Forest CE *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2009	Expected:06/2009	07/2009	Riley Dopler 509-395-3405 rdopler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation management activities including stocking control, cutting of evergreen boughs, forest pruning, upland and riparian conifer release, manual mechanical invasive species removal and forest fertilization.				
	Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument, Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Stands are proposed over hundreds of acres on the south-end of the Forest.				
Gifford Pinchot National Forest Cowlitz Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Kirk Thin Timber Sale EA	- Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/28/2009	Expected:08/2009	09/2009	Bonnie Allison 530-493-1758 ballison@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercial thinning of approximately 660 acres of stands within the Lower Cispus River watershed. The project will also include 0.3 miles of new specified road construction and about 0.5 miles of temporary road construction.				
	Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis. LEGAL - T11N, R8E, Sec. 28, 29, 31-33, T10N, R7E, Sec. 1, T10N, R8E, Sec. 5, 6, 8, 10, 15, 17-20, 29, 31, 32, T9N, R8E, Sec. 8. The project is located approximately 14 miles south of Randle, Washington.				
Lower Cispus Road Decommissioning EA	- Road management - Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2009	Expected:01/2010	02/2010	Kurt Davis 541-902-6954 kjDavis@fs.fed.us
	Description: Create a road decommissioning package that would contribute to Stewardship and other Timber Sale projects.				
	Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis. Lower Cispus Watershed including roads in the Yellowjacket sub-watershed.				
North Fork Campground Salvage CE	- Forest products - Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/20/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/2009	Expected:08/2009	09/2009	Kurt Davis 541-902-6954 kjDavis@fs.fed.us
	Description: Salvage windthrown trees from the North Fork Campground so that facilities can re-open, and salvage blowdown on nearby FR 22 and FR 23 to provide economic recovery of downed material.				
	Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis. LEGAL - T11N, R8E, Sec. 10 & 11. North Fork Campground and FR 22 & 23, approximately 11 miles southeast of Randle, Washington.				

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Gifford Pinchot National Forest	Cowlitz Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Packwood Facilities Disposal EA	- Facility management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 08/17/2007	Expected:04/2009	07/2009	Kurt Davis 541-902-6954 kjavis@fs.fed.us
Description: Disposal of facilities at Packwood Ranger Station, potentially including office, housing, outbuildings.					
Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis. LEGAL - T 13 N, R 9 E, Sec. 22. Packwood Ranger Station, Packwood, Washington.					
RAC Plantation Restoration Project EA	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/08/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2009	Expected:08/2009	05/2009	Kristie Miller 360-497-1105 klmiller@fs.fed.us
Description: A thinning project proposed by the Gifford Pinchot Collaborative Working Group to thin up to 1,200 acres of existing plantation stands.					
Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Lewis, Pierce, Skamania. LEGAL - Not yet available. Cowlitz Valley Ranger District, District Wide.					
Upper Cispus Thin EA	- Land management planning	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/31/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2009	Expected:05/2009	09/2009	Kurt Davis 360-497-1136 kjavis@fs.fed.us
Description: Upper Cispus Thin proposes a timber sale of approximately 1020 acres within the Upper Cispus Watershed. Commercial thinning, treatments designed to address forest health issues, and treatments to retain or enhance wildlife are possible activities.					
Location: UNIT - Cowlitz Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Cowlitz. The planning area is located in four sixth field watersheds in the Upper Cispus drainage of Cowlitz Valley: Cat Creek-Cispus River, Chambers Creek-Cispus River, Adams and Muddy Fork of Cispus River.					

Gifford Pinchot National Forest one District)	Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument (excluding Projects occurring in more than	R6 - Pacific Northwest Region
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Gifford Pinchot National Forest one District) Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument (excluding Projects occurring in more than R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Clear Creek Instream Habitat Improvements CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:10/2009	07/2010	Adam Haspiel (541) 471-6759 ahaspiel@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project would place 900 pieces of down woody debris to stream, create pool forming structures, and thin to enhance 10 acres of riparian vegetation.				
	Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. The lower 1.3 miles of Clear Creek on the West side of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest.				
Mount St. Helens 2009 Trail Reroute/Maintenance CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2009	Expected:05/2009	08/2009	William Uyesugi 360-449-7828 wuyesugi@fs.fed.us
	Description: Trail maintenance and reroutes needed for resource protection or storm damage are proposed on the following trails: Lewis River Trail #31; Smith Creek Trail #225; Blue Horse Trail #237; Whittier Trail #214; Loowit Trail #216.				
	Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Various trails on the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument.				
Muddy River Nurse Logs CE	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2009	Expected:09/2009	10/2009	Adam Haspiel (541) 471-6759 ahaspiel@fs.fed.us
	Description: Place large wood along stream bank to stabilize the floodplain and create areas to plant conifer and hardwood seedlings				
	Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Overall project area is seven miles on the Muddy River Floodplain.				
Pepper Creek Instream Habitat Improvement CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:10/2009	07/2010	Adam Haspiel (541) 471-6759 ahaspiel@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project proposes to place 150 pieces of down woody debris into Pepper Creek.				
	Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Lower 0.5 miles of Pepper Creek on the west side of the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument.				

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Slide Creek and Green Fork Instream Habitat Improvements CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:10/2009	07/2010	Adam Haspiel (541) 471-6759 ahaspiel@fs.fed.us
Description: Project proposes to place 30 structures (each) by helicopter into Slide Creek and Green Fork Creek.					
Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Slide Creek and Green Fork Creek on the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument.					
Widcat Thinning EA	- Land management planning	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/11/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2009	Expected:05/2009	06/2010	Ruth Tracy 360-891-5112 rtracy@fs.fed.us
Description: Thinning on Mount St. Helens in various land management types.					
Location: UNIT - Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Clark. Planning area comprises all subwatersheds in the Muddy River Watershed, plus two additional adjacent subwatersheds, Pine Creek and Little Creek within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument.					

Gifford Pinchot National Forest	Mt Adams Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Mt. Adams 2009 Trail Maintenance/Reroutes CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2009	Expected:05/2009	08/2009	Julie Knutson 509-395-3410 jcknutson@fs.fed.us
Description: The following trails are proposed for reroutes/trail maintenance to alleviate resource damage and correct damage from recent floods.					
Location: UNIT - Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Various trails on the Mt. Adams Ranger District.					

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Mt. Adams Allotment Water Trough Reinstallment CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2009	Expected:05/2009	07/2009	Mitch Wainwright 360-449-7857 mwainwright@fs.fed.us
Description: Reinstall a 225-gallon water trough on the Mt. Adams Allotment					
Location: UNIT - Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. Within the Mt. Adams Allotment on the Mt. Adams Ranger District.					
Smith Butte Research Natural Area Establishment EA	- Special area management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Andrea Ruchty 509-395-3414 aruchty@fs.fed.us
Description: Establish RNA per LRMP.					
Location: UNIT - Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Yakima. LEGAL - S. 20, T. 7 N, R. 11 E, W.M. Smith Butte, southeast of Mount Adams.					

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