



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2008 to 09/30/2008

Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

National Forest System Land Management Planning - Proposed Rule EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	Completed	Actual: 04/09/2008	04/2008	Gina Owens 202-205-1187 gowens@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/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.					

R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

Site-Specific Invasive Plant Treatment -Gifford Pinchot NF and Columbia River Gorge NSA, Washington EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 03/17/2008	05/2008	Daniel Harkenrider 541-308-1706 dharkenrider@fs.fed.us
Description: Site-specific analysis of various methods of control of invasive weeds in the Gifford Pinchot NF and the Columbia River Gorge NSA.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/invasiveplant-eis/site-specific-forests/GIP-CRGNNSA-Washingtonside.htm					
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit, Cowlitz Ranger District, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument, Mt Adams Ranger District. STATE - Washington, Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River, Multnomah, Wasco, Clark, Cowlitz, Klickitat, Skamania. Various, throughout the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument and Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area.					

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R6 - Pacific Northwest Region

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BZ Portage Trail CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:08/2008	09/2008	Sue Baker 541-308-1700 sbaker04@fs.fed.us
Description: Locate and construct a portage trail around BZ Falls in order to protect riparian vegetation and springs.					
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat. LEGAL - Township 4, Range 10 East, Sections 11 and 13. White Salmon River south of Gilmer Creek.					
Cape Horn Realignment-- Washington State Road 14 EA	- Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2009	Expected:01/2010	10/2010	Pam Campbell 541-308-1714 pcampbell@fs.fed.us
Description: Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is requesting an easement to realign Highway 14 to improve safety of a dangerous curve.					
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. LEGAL - Township 1 North, Range 5 East, Section 16. Washington State Road 14 near Cape Horn in CRGNSA.					
Cascade Fish Hatchery Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:10/2008	12/2008	Jennifer Wade 541-308-1705 jenniferwade@fs.fed.us
Description: The Special Use Permit for the Cascade Fish Hatchery, in operation since 1959, will expire on 12/31/2008. A new permit would authorize existing infrastructure and operation for up to 30 more years.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River. LEGAL - Township 2 North, Range 7 East, portions of sections 22 and 23. Cascade Fish Hatchery Permit Renewal.					
Collins Slide Forest Restoration EA *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:09/2009	09/2010	Diana Ross 541-308-1716 dlross@fs.fed.us
Description: Vegetation Management to restore a fire resilient landscape and protect oak woodland habitat in the Collins Slide Area.					
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. LEGAL - Township 3N Range 8E Sections 25, 26, 31, 35, 36, 37, 39. East of Wind Mountain, off SR 14 at Bergen Rd throughout the Girl Scout Rd and Mt Glade Rd area.					

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Coyote Wall/Burdoin Mountain/Catherine Creek Recreation Facilities EA	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2008	Expected:09/2008	09/2009	Stan Hinatsu 541-308-1708 shinatsu@fs.fed.us
	Description: Determine trail network on Coyote Wall/Burdoin Mountain/Catherine Creek. Identify appropriate parking locations.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/forest/projects/				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat. LEGAL - Township 3 North, Range 11 East, and Township 3 North, Range 12 East. . Coyote Wall (Syncline)/Burdoin Mountain/Catherine Creek.				
Herman Creek Work Center Defensible Space CE *NEW LISTING*	- Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:08/2008	09/2008	Rod Altig 541-308-1731 raltig@fs.fed.us
	Description: Removal of at least 5 hazard trees and limb removal on at least 6 trees around the work center. These numbers may fluctuate upon further site examination.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River. LEGAL - Township 2N Range 8E Section 5. Herman Creek Work Center, off I-84.				
House Removal and Site Restoration along Old Highway 8 CE	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 06/02/2008	09/2008	Pam Campbell 541-308-1714 pcampbell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove house, outbuildings, infrastructure (septic, power etc.) and all personal property from the former Kitchen life estate, rip the access road by tractor, and naturalize the 1 acre site.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat. LEGAL - T.3N, R.12E. sec. 30, Taxlot 7. East of Major Creek, South of County Old Road 8, between Bingen and Lyle, WA.				
Major Creek 1230-225 Road Closure CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	02/2009	Chuti Fiedler 541-308-1718 cfiedler@fs.fed.us
	Description: This proposal would close road 1230-225 to control illegal dumping in the riparian area of Major Creek. The road is less than 1/8 mile in length. Parking for dispersed camping use would remain.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/forest/projects/				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat. LEGAL - TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, SECTION 30. This road is located approximately 3.5 miles west of Lyle, WA on old Highway 8.				

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Mark O. Hatfield Trailhead Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2008	Expected:09/2008	10/2008	Jennifer Wade 541-308-1705 jenniferwade@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Mark O. Hatfield Trailhead is on National Forest Land and the existing special use permit must be renewed.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River. LEGAL - T.3N, R.11E, Section 31. Mark O. Hatfield Trailhead to the Historic Columbia River Highway Trail, east of Hood River, OR.				
Marsh Cutoff Prescribed Fire Project CE	- Fuels management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:10/2008	10/2008	Darren Kennedy 541-308-1724 dkennedy01@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would set a schedule for the use of prescribed fire (Forest Service created and managed low intensity fire) for ecosystem enhancement and fuel hazard removal through reducing undergrowth--(mostly grasses).				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Wasco. LEGAL - Township 2, North, Range 12 East, Sections 4 and 5. All National Forest System lands between Mosier and Rowena Dell both north and south of the Historic Columbia River Highway.				
OHV Travel Management Plan EA	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2008	Expected:09/2008	10/2008	Stan Hinatsu 541-308-1708 shinatsu@fs.fed.us
	Description: To comply with Final Travel Management Rule for off-highway vehicles, this plan will designate roads and trails either open or closed to OHV use.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington, Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River, Multnomah, Wasco, Clark, Klickitat, Skamania. LEGAL - NFS Lands, CRGNSA. Entire CRGNSA.				
Off-Road/Trail Motor Vehicle Use Closure at Major Creek/Catherine Creek/Burdoin Mountain CE	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Stan Hinatsu 541-308-1708 shinatsu@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close all National Forest System lands in the Major Creek/Catherine Creek and Burdoin Mountain areas to off-road/trail motor vehicle use to protect sensitive resources.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/forest/projects/documents/CatherineMajorCreekVehicleClosureScopingLetter.pdf				
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Klickitat. LEGAL - T3N, R11E, Sections 1,2,3,10-15, 23-28,33-35; T4N, R11E, Sections 34,36; T4N, R12E, Sections 30,31,36 and T3N, R12E, Sections 7,18,19,30,31,32, W.M. Major Creek/Catherine Creek and Burdoin Mountain.					

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Oneonta Trail Bridge Replacement CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:08/2008	08/2008	Stan Hinatsu 541-308-1708 shinatsu@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replacement of 50 ft bridge above triple falls. Existing bridge shows signs of rotting.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Multnomah. LEGAL - Township 1N Range 6E Section 9. Near Oneonta Falls. Accesses via Historic Columbia River Highway.				
Pioneer/Cape Horn Viewpoint Trail EA	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2008	Expected:09/2008	06/2009	Stan Hinatsu 541-308-1708 shinatsu@fs.fed.us
	Description: Authorize a trail and trailheads in the Cape Horn Area.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. LEGAL - Township 1 North, Range 5 East, Sections 3,4,9,10,15,16, and 17. Cape Horn Washington.				
Sandy River Delta Small Dam Removal EA	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/20/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2008	Expected:01/2009	08/2009	Diana Ross 541-308-1716 dlross@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove small 1930's dam across original channel of Sandy River, remove sediment plug and construct one lane bridge to replace access.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/forest/projects/SandyRiverDelta.htm				
Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Multnomah. LEGAL - T1N, R3E, Section 24. Sandy River Delta, east of Troutdale, OR.					
Short Term Special Use Permits in Set Locations CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jennifer Wade 541-308-1705 jenniferwade@fs.fed.us
	Description: Short Term Special Use Permits such as filming and weddings in set locations.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington, Oregon. COUNTY - Hood River, Multnomah, Wasco, Clark, Klickitat, Skamania. Various locations.				

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Special Use Permit for Mowing/Cultivation/Pasture - Cape Horn, Washington CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jennifer Wade 541-308-1705 jenniferwade@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special Use Permits to authorize mowing three pastures over the next 2-3 years to remove noxious weeds and reduce fire hazard.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington. COUNTY - Skamania. LEGAL - T1N, R5E, Sections 3 and 9, W.M. East of Mt. Zion, top of Cape Horn.				
Special Use Permit to Authorize Agriculture Uses in the Seven Mile Hill area, Wasco Co, OR. CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jennifer Wade 541-308-1705 jenniferwade@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issue a Special Use Permit to authorize agriculture uses on 23 acres in the Seven Mile Hill area. Uses to be authorized include wheat and alfalfa cultivation. The parcel, acquired by the Forest Service, has been in wheat production for 20+ years.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Wasco. LEGAL - T2N, R12E, Section 11D Tax lot 300, T2N, R12E, Section 14 Tax lot 100 . Seven Mile Hill.				
Structure Removals CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:08/2008	09/2008	Diana Ross 541-308-1716 dlross@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approximately nine structures in various location within the CRG NSA which are scheduled for removal in 2008.				
	Location: UNIT - Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Unit. STATE - Washington, Oregon. COUNTY - Multnomah, Wasco, Klickitat, Skamania. LEGAL - See 'Other Project Information'. See 'Other Project Information'.				

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