



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2008 to 06/30/2008

Wayne National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Aerial Application of Fire Retardant EA	- Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 02/18/2008 10/11/2007	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	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: FEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/15/2008	Expected:03/2008	03/2008	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.					

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

R9 - Eastern Region

Forest Plan Consultation on Non-native Invasive Species Treatment EA	- Land management planning	Developing Proposal Est. Notice of Initiation 02/2008	Expected:04/2008	05/2008	Cheryl Coon 740-753-0558 ccoone@fs.fed.us
Description: Reconsult with US Fish and Wildlife Service on proposed increase of acreage to be treated for NNIS in the first decade. May not require a Forest Plan amendment.					
Location: UNIT - Wayne National Forest All Units. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Perry, Scioto, Vinton, Washington. LEGAL - Programmatic across entire forest. Wayne National Forest, all 3 units.					

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Wayne National Forest Athens Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
AEP Powerline Irish Ridge - Special Use Permit CE	- Special area management	Completed	Actual: 01/24/2008	02/2008	Gary Cravens 740-753-0542 gcravens@fs.fed.us
	Description: AEP proposal to amend their existing special use permit to add approx 655 feet of overhead powerline, install three power poles and four pole anchors along County Rd 16 (Irish Ridge Road)				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/athens_district/aep_permit07.html				
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T12N, R14W, Section 13. Along Irish Ridge Rd; Monroe Township, Perry County.					
Appalachian Energy Resources Special Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/30/2008	03/2008	Thomas Thompson 740-373-9055 ththompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special use permit for burying a two inch natural gas pipeline across approximately 1,100 feet of National Forest land. Pipeline is to be buried in the road prism of County Road 15.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Monroe. LEGAL - T3N, R6W; NW1/4 of Sec 24 and SE1/4 of Sec 30. Approx 3 miles WNW of Rinard Mills, OH; in Washington Township; Monroe County, Ohio.				
Brush Fork Subsidence Closures CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/20/2007	Expected:04/2008	06/2008	Michael Nicklow 740-753-0555 mnicklow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close 3 subsidences and construct 100 feet of limestone lined stream channel.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens. LEGAL - T 13 N, R 15 W, Sec 2. Hocking County, southeast corner of Ward Township, 500 feet west of Jobs Hollow Road.				
Lamping Vegetation Management Project CE	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/23/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2008	Expected:05/2008	07/2008	Marsha Wikle (740) 753-0538 mwikle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Pine stands in the vicinity of the Lamping Homestead Recreation Site will be thinned due to over-crowding and insect and disease problems.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/athens_district/lamping_veg_mgt.html				
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Monroe. LEGAL - T 4 N, R 6 W Sections 13, 14, 19, 20, Monroe County, OH. Pine plantations are located in the vicinity of Lamping Homestead near Graysville, OH.					

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Wayne National Forest	Athens Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Land Exchange with Washington County CE	- Land acquisition - Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/12/2007	Expected:04/2008	04/2008	David Greenwood 740-373-9055 dmgreenwood@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to exchange 2.19 ac of National Forest System Land to Washington County for funds that will be used acquire similar land for the Wayne National Forest. Site has been under special use permit to Washington Co. since 1976.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/athens_district/land_exchange_washingtonco.html				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - T 1 N, R 6 W, Sec 22. Newport Township; Washington County, Ohio.				
Little Muskingum River Canoe Launch Development CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/16/2006	Expected:06/2008	07/2008	Marsha Wikle (740) 753-0538 mwikle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal is to improve parking and provide river access at the Ring Mill and Lane Farm recreation sites along the Little Muskingum River on the Marietta Unit.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Monroe, Washington. LEGAL - T3 N, R 5 W Section 25, Monroe County; T 3 N, R7 W Section 31, Washington County. Above Marietta and along the Little Muskingum River near Poulton and Hills.				
Lost Run Headwater Restoration CE	- Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Michael Nicklow 740-753-0555 mnicklow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Open blocked drainages to establish free-flowing water on surface to prevent it from seeping into underground mines.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T 14 N, R. 15 W, Sections 31 and 32. Perry County; Coal Township; approx 1.5 miles S of New Straitsville, OH.				
New Straitsville South Restoration CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/20/2006	Expected:05/2008	10/2008	Gary Willison (740) 753-0684 gwillison@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close subsidences and reestablish drainage in several small watersheds				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Hocking. The project is located north of State Highway 216, approximately one mile east of the town of New Straitsville.				

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Pine Run (Sunday Cr) Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2008	Expected:09/2008	10/2009	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Treat acid mine drainage seeps.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T. 14 N, R. 15 W, N 1/2 of Sec 14, . Salt Lick Township of Perry County.				
Reintroduction of Threatened and Endangered Species EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/28/2008	Expected:04/2008	06/2008	Lynda Andrews (740) 753-0550 landrews@fs.fed.us
	Description: This proposal is to reintroduce the American burying beetle on the Wayne NF.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens. forested ridgetop area.				
Rouse Road Access - Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2008	02/2008	Thomas Thompson 740-373-9055 ththompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to issue a special use permit for a 300 feet long road to access private property which is in-accessable by other routes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/athens_district/rouse_road.html				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - T 3 N; R 5 W; Sec 10. Wayne Township; Washington County, Ohio.				
Snow Fork Restoration CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/03/2007	Expected:04/2008	10/2008	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close 11 subsidences caused by old underground coal mines, construct 300 feet of limestone lined stream channel.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens. LEGAL - T 12 N, R 15 W, Sec 6; and T 13 N, R 15 W, Sec. 1. Northwest Athens County, York Township and Southeast Hocking County, Ward Township; 300 ft west of SR 78 near Orbiston.				

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Upstream Rock Run Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2008	Expected:06/2008	10/2008	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Open 16 small drainages blocked by old mining activity. Establish appropriately sloped drainages so water can flow downstream rather than percolate into subsurface mine voids creating acid mine drainage. Disturbance approx. 50 ac.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T. 14 N., R. 15 W., Sec. 28, NW 1/4. Perry County, Coal Township, approx 1 mile east of New Straitesville, OH along Highway 93.				
Valley Junk Restoration CE	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 02/26/2008	07/2008	Michael Nicklow 740-753-0555 mnicklow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close 2 old coal mine subsidences and 5 small subsidences; construct 1200 feet of limestone lined stream channel; and restoration of 5 acres of yellow-fringed orchid habitat (a sensitive species). Total area of impact less than 10 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens. LEGAL - T 12 N, R 15 W, Sec 5 and Sec 6. Northwestern Athens County, north of the Village of Doanville and east of township road 568 (Pancake Rd).				
Virco Surface Gas Pipeline Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/08/2008	02/2008	Thomas Thompson 740-373-9055 ththompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to lay a small diameter surface pipeline for transmission of natural gas across 3.95 miles of federal land.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - T3N, R6W, Sec 1 & 7; T2N, R5W, Sec 9, 15, 21, 26, 27 & 32. Ludlow and Grandview Townships; Washington County, Ohio.				
Yellow-Fringed Orchid Habitat Improvement EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/11/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/2008	Expected:05/2008	06/2008	Cheryl Coon 740-753-0558 ccocon@fs.fed.us
	Description: Remove understory seedlings and saplings around know orchids using a combination of cutting, hand pulling, propane torches and herbicide. Girdle overstory trees if necessary.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - T. 2 N, R. 5 W, Sec. 32. 4 miles west northwest of New Matamoras, OH in Washington County.				

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Wayne National Forest Ironton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2008 Ironton RD Prescribed Burns CE *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2008	Expected:07/2008	10/2008	Jonathan Olsen 740-534-6500 jolsen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduce natural fuel accumulations by using prescribed fires on four parcels of land. Total area planned to be treated is approx 2250 ac. Areas are: near Lake Vesuvius, Bluegrass, Fradd Hollow, and Handley Branch.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ironton_district/ironton_projects.html				
Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T3N, R17W, Sec 5; T5N, R17W, Sec 26; T4N, R17W, Sec 21,22,27,28,29,32,33; T2N, R18W, Sec 22,23,25,26,27. Fradd Hollow, Handley Branch, Bluegrass, and near Lake Vesuvius,.					
Hanging Rock ATV Access Improvments EA *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2008	Expected:10/2008	11/2008	Marsha Wikle 740-534-6500 mwikle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Create 5 new parking areas for ATV access to the Hanging Rock ATV area. Most parking areas are on old strip mined areas and mostly without trees. Connector trails, guard rails, barriers, wash facility, and vault toilets would also be installed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ironton_district/ironton_projects.html				
Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T1N, R18W, Sec 6; T1N, R19W, Sec 1; T2N, R19W, Sec 27. Four miles northwest of Ironton, Ohio, near the existing Hanging Rock ATV Trailhead.					
Pine Creek Historic Forest Restoration EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Special area management - Recreation management 	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/11/2007	Expected:09/2008	01/2009	Marsha Wikle 740-753-0538 mwikle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analyzing 28,000 acres of hardwood forest damaged by ice in 2003 with the purpose of restoring the forest toward the historic forest condition described in the revised Forest Plan.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ea_docs/scoping/pine_Cr_kosmos.html				
Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T4N and 3N, R18W, Decatur and Elizabeth Townships. 28,201 ares includes 7 compartments north and south of the Pine Creek watershed in the area between the old settlements of Buckhorn on SR 93 and Lyra on Scioto Creek.					

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State Route 93 Flooding EA	- Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Kari Kirschbaum 740-453-6531 kbkirschbaum@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project to prevent reoccurring flooding onto State Route 93. Engineering analysis of original proposal indicated proposal would not work, revised proposal being developed. Project on-hold until revised proposal developed.				
	Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. Along SR93 approx. 2 miles north of Pedro, Ohio.				
Upper Pine Creek Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2008	Expected:09/2008	06/2009	Katrina Schultes 740-753-0901 kschultes@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close subsidence and treat mine portal discharge (of acid mine water).				
	Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T. 3 N, R. 18 W, Sec. 4. 1 mile NW of community of Buckhorn in Lawrence Co. Ohio.				
Whitaker Wetland Restoration CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/05/2007	Expected:05/2008	04/2008	Kari Kirschbaum 740-453-6531 kbkirschbaum@fs.fed.us
	Description: This 25-acre bottomland field along Symmes Creek is proposed to be restored to its historical wetland condition. Low levees would be constructed which would be mulched and seeded. The road would be gated with a footpath, bench, sign, & removing NNIS.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ea_docs/scoping/Whitaker%20Wetland.pdf				
	Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Gallia. LEGAL - T5N, R16W, Sec 29, NE1/4, or NW1/4. 2 miles north of Cadmus on Vernon Woods Road.				

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