



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2008 to 09/30/2008

Wayne National Forest

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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.					

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	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Cheryl Coon 740-753-0558 ccoon@fs.fed.us
Description: NEPA Cancelled. No Forest Plan Amendment necessary. Will be done with an Administrative Correction. Reconsult with US Fish and Wildlife Service on proposed increase of acreage to be treated for NNIS in the first decade.					
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.					

Wayne National Forest Athens Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)

R9 - Eastern Region

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Wayne National Forest	Athens Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
216 Extension CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/16/2008	Expected:06/2008	08/2008	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
Description: Replace 2 culverts on private lands with larger culerts to accomodate additional stream flow that resulted from the Forest Service closing the 216 mine portal in 2007.					
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T12N R 15 W; SW corner of Sec 33. Soutern Perry County, Coal Township, SE of the village of New Straitsville and east of Highway 216.					
Athens Unit Riparian Area Tree Planting CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:08/2008	04/2009	Lynda Andrews 740-753-0101 landrews@fs.fed.us
Description: Plant trees along steams where previous trees were removed for agricultural or mining purposes to provide riparian area habitat.					
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Athens. LEGAL - T12N, R16W, Sec 18. Athens Ranger District.					
Brush Fork Subsidence Closures CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/20/2007	Expected:11/2008	08/2009	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.					
Congleton Surface Gas Pipeline Special Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 05/22/2008	07/2008	Steve Sapio 740-373-5046 ssapio@fs.fed.us
Description: Application to lay approximately 1,000 feet of surface gas pipeline across federal land to transport gas to an existing gathering gas pipeline. Pipeline would be laid on the surface by hand with minimal brush cutting and no tree removal.					
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - T4N, R7W, Sec. 5. Liberty Township, Washington Co., Ohio.					

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Lamping Vegetation Management Project CE	- Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/24/2008	Expected:08/2008	09/2008	Jason Reed 740-753-0895 jareed@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.				
Land Exchange with Washington County CE	- Land acquisition - Land ownership management	Completed	Actual: 04/29/2008	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:09/2008	10/2008	Jennie Freidhof 740-753-0101 x 227 jfreidhof@fs.fed.us
	Description: Replace old launch sites that are unsafe and to improve parking and river access at the Ring Mill and Lane Farm recreation sites along the Little Muskingum River on the Marietta Unit. Replacement launch sites may be moved from current locations.				
	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.				

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Lost Run Headwater Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2008	Expected:09/2008	06/2009	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.				
Monroe High Point Trail CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/16/2008	Expected:07/2008	08/2008	Jennie Freidhof 740-753-0101 x 227 jfreidhof@fs.fed.us
	Description: Develop a 500 ft accessible trail through an existing maintained wildlife opening to provide access to the Monroe High Point which provides a 360 degree view of the surrounding area. Benches would also be installed at the top of the hill.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Perry. LEGAL - T12N R14W; Sec. 24. Perry County, Ohio; Approx. 2 miles SE of Corning, OH.				
New Straitsville South Restoration CE	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/20/2006	Expected:11/2008	07/2009	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 Strautsville.				
Noble Petroleum (Paul Fleeman) Surface Gas Pipeline Special Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 06/17/2008	07/2008	Steve Sapio 740-373-5046 ssapio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Application to lay approximately 5,500 feet of surface gas pipeline across federal land to transport gas to an existing gathering gas pipeline. Pipeline would be laid on the surface by hand with minimal brush cutting and no tree removal.				
	Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Monroe, Washington. LEGAL - T4N, R7W, Sec. 4; and T4N, R7W, Sec. 5. In Liberty Township of Washington Co. and Bethel Township of Monroe Co., Ohio.				

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Ora E. Anderson Nature Trail Extension Development CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/02/2008	Expected:09/2008	10/2008	Jennie Freidhof 740-753-0101 jfreidhof@fs.fed.us
	Description: Extend existing accessible trail at Rutherford Wetland into a loop trail. Construct 3/4 mile of accessible trail on nearly flat ground.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/athens_district/ora_trail_ext.html				
Location: UNIT - Athens Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Hocking. LEGAL - T13N, R15W, Sec 33. Four miles north, northwest of Nelsonville, Ohio.					
Pine Run (Sunday Cr) Restoration CE	- Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project on-hold pending additional collection of water quality data, and treatment options. 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	Completed	Actual: 04/16/2008	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.				
Snow Fork Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 04/11/2008	10/2008	Pamela Stachler 740-753-0556 pstachler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Close 10 subsidences caused by old underground coal mines, construct 3300 feet of limestone lined stream channel, open 5 blocked drainages, remove and old blocked culvert, drain an impoundment, improve a road crossing, clean up a trash pile.				
	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 08/2008	Expected:10/2008	07/2009	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.				
Yellow-Fringed Orchid Habitat Improvement EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/11/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	Cheryl Coon 740-753-0558 ccoone@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.				

Wayne National Forest Ironton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2008 Ironton RD Prescribed Burns CE	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	Jonathan Olsen 740-534-6500 jolsen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduce natural fuel accumulations by using prescribed fires or mechanical treatments 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,.					

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HECLA Water Line Amendment to existing Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:07/2008	08/2008	Scott Means 740-534-6500 smeans@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to add 4600 ft of water line along existing roads in Symmes Township of Lawrence County to HECLA's existing Special Use permit. Water line to be buried. Forest Service land involved is 4600 feet in length and 10 feet in width.				
	Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T 4 N, R 17 W; Section 4. Along Gum Stump Rd (T-197w, T-196w), approx. 3 mi SW of Sherrits, in Lawrence Co. OH.				
Ironton ATV 650 Connector/Parking Improvements EA	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Marsha Wikle 740-534-6500 mwikle@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project On Hold until 2009. Create 5 new parking areas for ATV access to the Hanging Rock ATV area. Construct 1 mi new ATV trail, reconstruct/maintain 4 mi 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, R19W, Sec 1 and 22; T1N, R19W, Sec 1; T2N, R19W, Sec 16, 17, 19 and 30. Four miles northwest of Ironton, Ohio, near the existing Hanging Rock ATV Trailhead.					
Ironton District Grassland Habitat Improvement CE *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 05/27/2008	06/2008	Chad Kirschbaum 740-534-6500 ckirschbaum@fs.fed.us
	Description: Convert approx. 500 acres of non-native fescue and Chinese lespedeza on reclaimed strip mine area to a mixture of native warm season grasses and forbs.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ironton_district/grass_planting.html				
Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. LEGAL - T4N R 18W, Sec 9, 10, 15, 21 & 22; T3N R 18W, Sec 31. Two locations: 1)Approx 6 miles SW of Oakhill, OH and 2) Approx 3 1/2 mi NNW of Pedro, OH. Both in Lawrence County.					

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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
<p>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.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/projects/ironton_district/pine_creek_historic_project.html</p> <p>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.</p>					
Scurlock Road Hayfield CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:07/2008	08/2008	Scott Means 740-534-6500 smeans@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Proposal to cultivate hay on an existing 4 acre opening adjacent to a road.</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Gallia. LEGAL - T 4 N. R 16 W; Sec 22. Gallia County, OH. On Mudsoc Rd (County Rd 138); approx. 2 mi west of Sand Fork, OH;.</p>					
State Route 93 Flooding EA	- Watershed management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Kari Kirschbaum 740-453-6531 kbkirschbaum@fs.fed.us
<p>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 cancelled until new proposal can developed.</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Ironton Ranger District. STATE - Ohio. COUNTY - Lawrence. Along SR93 approx. 2 miles north of Pedro, Ohio.</p>					

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Upper Pine Creek Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Katrina Schultes 740-753-0901 kschultes@fs.fed.us
	Description: Project Cancelled - Implementation of the Kimble Cr restoration has eliminated acid mine drainage in upper Pine Cr. and the need for this project.				
	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	Completed	Actual: 05/27/2008	07/2008	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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