



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2009 to 06/30/2009

Monongahela National Forest

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Monongahela National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R9 - Eastern Region
Forest-Wide Non-Native Invasive Plant Management Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/06/2009	Expected:04/2009	05/2009	Kent Karriker 304-636-1800, ext 169 kkarriker@fs.fed.us
	Description: Activities to prevent the spread of NNIS and treat existing infestions include monitoring, applying herbicides, hand-pulling, mowing, grubbing, and biological control				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/nepa_documents/nepa_index.htm				
Location: UNIT - Monongahela National Forest All Units. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Barbour, Grant, Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Preston, Randolph, Tucker, Webster. Across the Monongahela National Forest.					
Monongahela National Forest Cheat/Potomac Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Allegheny Wood Products Easement EIS	- Special use management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/22/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 04/2009	Expected:05/2009	07/2009	David Ede 304-636-1800 ext. 233 dede@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to grant an easement for private access to an isolated parcel in Blackwater Canyon.				
	Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. Olson Opportunity Area 16.102, Canyon-Rim OA 13.009, Mozark OA 16.103, and Canaan Mountain OA 16.202.				
Communication Service, Inc. CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/19/2009	Expected:04/2009	04/2009	Laura Hise 304-636-1800 lhise@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to remove existing communication building at Spruce Knob Communication Site and replace it with a new prefabricated building. No new earth disturbance is proposed.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pendleton. Spruce Knob.				

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Hogback Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management - Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/10/2007	Expected:04/2009	06/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488 ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-cheat@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to implement vegetation management projects, including timber harvest, and associated road activities to help meet Forest Plan direction for the area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm				
Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Preston, Tucker. From Parsons north to Horseshoe Run, in northern Tucker and southern Preston Counties, West Virginia.					
Horseshoe Recreation Area CE	- Recreation management - Facility management	Completed	Actual: 01/27/2009	04/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 kvollmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to update old facilities and provide new facilities accessible to those with disabilities at the Horseshoe Recreation Area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm				
Location: UNIT - Cheat Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. 1 mile SW of Leadmine, along Horseshoe Run.					
Management of Eight Grazing Allotments in the Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area EA	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/27/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2009	Expected:07/2009	09/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-potomac@fs.fed.us
	Description: Management of these eight allotments: Allegheny; Alvin Shreve; Andy Champ; Grant Alt; Hartman Heirs; Mallow Tract; Mowery-Glover; and Smokehole-Champ.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/proposed_projects/proposed_index.htm				
Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Grant, Pendleton. Within the Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area.					

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Renewal of Timberline permit. EA	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/20/2009	04/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488 kvollmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed reauthorization for use of non-system trails on the Forest: Salamander Run, a connector trail from Salamander Run to what used to be referred to as "FR 80" and the segment of "FR 80" on NFS lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Tucker. National Forest System lands adjacent to Timberline Four Seasons Resort's land near Dolly Sods Wilderness.				
Seneca Rocks Westside Trail Maintenance CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:04/2009	05/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-potomac@fs.fed.us
	Description: Maintenance of the 1.5 mile trail leading from behind the Discovery Center to the viewing platform. Maintenance of trail tread, erosion control and safety features, and viewing platform.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pendleton. Trail is located behind the Seneca Rocks Discovery Center.				
Spruce Knob Lake Maintenance CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:04/2009	05/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-potomac@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal includes replacing 2 toilets with accessible ones, repairing accessible fishing stations, maintaining trail around lake, maintaining access road and parking lot, and replacing parking barriers.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Randolph. 3 miles west of Spruce Knob.				
Yokum Request to Use Existing Sewage Transmission Line CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:05/2009	05/2009	Laura Hise 304-636-1800 lhise@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to continue using an existing sewage transmission line that was once under permit to Pendleton County Schools.				
	Location: UNIT - Potomac Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pendleton. Line runs from the former Seneca Rocks School House through National Forest System lands to the North Fork of the Potomac River.				

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Monongahela National Forest	Gauley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region	
Bear Run Road Wildlife Habitat Enhancement Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:07/2009	09/2009	Jay Martin 304-846-2695 jdmartin@fs.fed.us
Description: Restoration of erosional areas, restriction of illegal vehicle access, planting native trees and shrubs to enhance wildlife habitat					
Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier. R9, Monongahela NF, Gauley Ranger District, Greenbrier County.					
Chestnut Flats Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:07/2009	09/2009	Jay Martin 304-846-2695 jdmartin@fs.fed.us
Description: Restoration of erosional areas, planting native shrubs and trees, and snag creation to enhance wildlife habitat					
Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. R9, Monongahela NF, Gauley Ranger District, Pocahontas County.					
Fisherman's Trail Bridge Construction CE	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Tim Henry (304) 799-4334 comments-eastern-monongahela-gauley@fs.fed.us
Description: Proposed construction of a trail bridge to cross the Cranberry River to access the Fisherman's Trail from FR 76					
Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. LEGAL - U.S. Tract #372. Fisherman's Trail #231, terminus at Cranberry River.					
Gauley District Spruce Habitat Enhancement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 06/08/2008	Expected:04/2009	06/2009	Jane Bard 304-846-2695 jbard@fs.fed.us
Description: Manually reduce the basal area of 18-20 year old sapling and pole sized red spruce on 60 acres to encourage growth of codominant red spruce; create snags on 340 acres (up to 15 snags/acre) in stands adjacent to the 18-20 year old red spruce.					
Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. The project area is within Pocahontas county, adjacent to county road 29/4 and FR 731 and FR 232.					

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Lower Williams Terrestrial Liming Project EA	- Watershed management - Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/06/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 05/2009	Expected:07/2009	08/2009	Stephanie Connolly 304-636-1800 sconnolly@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Gauley Ranger District of the Monongahela National Forest (MNF) is proposing to apply lime to an estimated 2,400 terrestrial acres in the Lower Williams EIS project area.				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. The Lower Williams River Soil Liming Project Area consists of 14,397 acres within the Webster County between the mouth of the Williams River and the Three Forks of Williams watershed.				
Lower Williams Vegetation EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 01/15/2009	05/2009	Rondi Fischer 304-799-4334 rfischer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation Management in MP 3.0 to create early successional forest habitat and permanent openings, reduce the amount of competition between trees for light and water resources, and regenerate shade-intolerant species and diverse forest age classes				
	Location: UNIT - Gauley Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Webster. The project area is within the Williams River watershed near Dyer, West Virginia, in Webster County. The project area includes every part of the Williams River watershed that is included w/in MP 3.0.				

Monongahela National Forest	Greenbrier Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Ramshorn CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/28/2006	Expected:09/2008 Actual: 08/29/2008	10/2008	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488 ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-greenbrier@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to implement vegetation management projects, including timber stand improvement and prescribed fire, to help meet Forest Plan direction for the area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm				
	Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Approximately three miles east of Greenbanks Observatory.				

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Upper Greenbrier North EA *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2009	Expected:10/2009	12/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-greenbrier@fs.fed.us
Description: This project proposal includes: commercial timber harvest; timber stand improvement; spruce restoration; road decommissioning, riparian improvement, trail relocation, culvert replacement, and dispersed recreation site management.					
Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Upper Greenbrier Watershed. Durbin, Frank, + Bartow are at south end ; Shavers Mt is west, and WV/VA state line is east.					
West Fork Rail Trail Maintenance & Improvement CE	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 01/16/2009	04/2009	Kristine Vollmer 304-257-4488, ext 24 comments-eastern-monongahela-greenbrier@fs.fed.us
Description: Maintain/improve trails; inspect + maybe repair railroad tunnel; replace vehicle gates; repair/improve access point parking + dispersed camping; provide foot bridge at Iron Bridge; improve directional + interpretive signing.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/environmental_index.htm					
Location: UNIT - Greenbrier Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas, Randolph. The West Fork Rail Trail follows the West Fork of the Greenbrier River and Forest Road 44. It runs from Durbin through Glady, WV and onto the Greenbrier Junction along the Shavers Fork River.					

Monongahela National Forest District)	Marlinton/White Sulphur Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one	R9 - Eastern Region			
Gypsy Moth Treatment 2009 EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 02/17/2009	05/2009	Glen Juergens 304-636-1800 ext. 292 gjuergens@fs.fed.us
Description: Treatment by aerial spraying with Gypchek and/or Btk of up to 21,000 acres to control gypsy moth.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/environmental/proposed_projects/proposed_index.htm					
Location: UNIT - White Sulphur Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Greenbrier, Pocahontas. Within Management Prescription Areas 6.1, 6.2, and 8.0.					

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Monongahela National Forest District)	Marlinton/White Sulphur Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one				R9 - Eastern Region
Shock Run Prescribe Burn Expansion Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 12/18/2008	Expected:05/2009	10/2009	Rondi Fischer 304-799-4334 rfischer@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Marlinton RD is proposing to expand the Rx burning area beyond the boundaries of six timber sale harvest units from the 2000 Shock Run Timber Sale EA.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. The project area is approx. 17 miles NE of Marlinton, WV and borders SR 84 to the south and SR 92 to the west.				
Snowshoe Hare CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Rondi Fischer 304-799-4334 rfischer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Wildlife habitat improvement project for snowshoe hare.				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. Upper Williams Watershed, Pocahontas County.				
White Sulphur Prescribe Burn Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/28/2008	Expected:05/2009	10/2009	Rondi Fischer 304-799-4334 rfischer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed fire is proposed in nine non-contiguous areas, all within the Anthony Creek fifth level watershed. Forest Management Prescription 6.1, as designated by the 2006 Monongahela National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan).				
	Location: UNIT - Marlinton Ranger District. STATE - West Virginia. COUNTY - Pocahontas. The project area is just north of the Blue Bend Developed Recreation Area and can be accessed using State Routes 11 and 21. The city of White Sulphur Springs, WV is approximately 9 miles south.				

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