



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2007 to 12/31/2007

White Mountain National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Aerial Application of Fire Retardant EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/28/2006	Expected:10/2007	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 *NEW LISTING*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/31/2007 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 12/2007	Expected:01/2008	02/2008	Kevin Lawrence 202-205-2613 klawrence01@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/2007_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.					

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

R9 - Eastern Region

Outfitter Guide Permit Conversion CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/20/2007	Expected:10/2007	11/2007	Kori Marchowsky 603-536-1315 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
Description: Convert 10 Forest Outfitter Guide permits to multiyear permits with terms not to exceed ten years.					
Location: UNIT - White Mountain National Forest All Units. STATE - New Hampshire, Maine. COUNTY - Oxford, Carroll, Coos, Grafton. White Mountain National Forest-wide.					

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White Mountain National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R9 - Eastern Region
Verizon Highway 16 Cable Special Use Permit EA	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 08/06/2007	09/2007	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 ext. 222 pnasta@fs.fed.us
Description: Installation of underground cable within State Highway 16 corridor between Jackson, NH and Gorham, NH. If the project is approved, a Special Use Permit will be issued shortly after the decision, with work beginning as determined by the permittee.					
Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District, Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll, Coos. Town of Jackson, Carroll County, NH and Town of Pinkham's Grant, Coos County, NH.					

White Mountain National Forest	Androscoggin Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R9 - Eastern Region			
Dorothy Wheeler Spring and Pipeline Special Use Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/13/2007	09/2007	Thomas Moore 603-466-2713 ext. 226 tmmoore@fs.fed.us
Description: Renew Mrs. Wheeler's Special Use Permit to continue authorization for use of an existing spring and water pipeline for a domestic, private water system. The permit was first issued in 1981 and last renewed in 2001.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Stark, Coos County, New Hampshire.					
Harvard Mountaineering Club Cabin -- Special Use Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management - Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 09/27/2007	10/2007	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 ext. 222 pnasta@fs.fed.us
Description: Analysis to renew the existing special use permit authorizing the operation of an overnight recreation cabin in the Cutler River drainage near Huntington Ravine.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. The HMC cabin is located in Sargents Purchase between Huntington and Tuckerman Ravines on the east side of Mount Washington..					

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White Mountain National Forest	Androscoggin Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region	
Mill Brook Vegetation Management Project EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Watershed management - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants 	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:02/2008	07/2008	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 ext. 222 pnasta@fs.fed.us
Description: Current proposal is for vegetation management to harvest 3 mmbf of timber on 1,066 acres, expand and maintain 2 wildlife openings, conduct watershed restoration and reclassify/decommission roads.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Stark, Coos County, NH.					
Northern NH Bird Dog Club -- Special Use Permit Renewal CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management - Recreation management 	Completed	Actual: 09/12/2007 09/12/2007	09/2007	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 pnasta@fs.fed.us
Description: Analysis to renew existing special use authorization to maintain and use existing routes for recreational bird dog trial events.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. The bird dog routes are located in the Towns of Randolph and Berlin, NH, in the Kilkenny area of the White Mountain National Forest..					
Parker Sugar Bush Special Use Permit Renewal CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management - Forest products 	Completed	Actual: 09/12/2007	09/2007	Thomas Moore 603-466-2713 ext. 226 tmmoore@fs.fed.us
Description: Renewal of authorization to continue activities and tap sugar maple trees on 238 acres of National Forest System lands for the purpose of making maple syrup.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Randolph, Coos County, New Hampshire .					
South Pond Road Association Special Use Permit Renewal CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Special use management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2008	Expected:03/2008	04/2008	Thomas Moore 603-466-2713 tmmoore@fs.fed.us
Description: Renew the existing 5-year permit that expires in FY 07 that authorizes the South Pond Road Association to maintain and have access on a portion of the South Pond Road.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Stark, Coos County, New Hampshire.					

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USGS Rain Gauge Special Use Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Thomas Moore 603-466-2713 ext. 226 tmmoore@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renew the existing 5 year permit (expires in FY 07) that authorizes the USGS to administer a rain collection station. Permit area is less than < acre. (25 x 25) along the Wild River.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/				
	Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. East side of the Wild River Road on Tract #16, Beans Purchase, Coos County, NH .				
Wild River Shelters Removal CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/18/2006	Expected:12/2007	05/2008	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 pnasta@fs.fed.us
	Description: Further public involvement planned in summer 2007 to consider the removal of three recreation shelters (Spruce Brook, Blue Brook, and Perkins Notch) in Wild River, as well as establishment of tent pads and other site rehabilitation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects				
	Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Beans Purchase, Coos County , NH.				

White Mountain National Forest	Pemigewasset Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region	
Brown Brook Snowmobile Trail Relocation CE	- Watershed management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:03/2008	06/2008	Kori Marchowsky 603-447-5448 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocate less than 1/4 mile of snowmobile trail to prevent possible issues with existing trail's proximity to brook.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Brown Brook Snowmobile Trail, off of Stinson Lake Road in Ellsworth, NH.				

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Bunga Jar Road Aquatic Restoration CE	- Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 08/09/2007	08/2007	Spencer Bleadorn 603-536-1315 sbleadorn@fs.fed.us
	Description: Install bridge to restore hydrologic function at the road crossing sites of two tributary streams of the Wild Ammonoosuc River.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Bunga Jar Road off of Tunnel Brook Road, in the towns of Benton and Eaton.				
Gould Hill Snowmobile Relocation Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:03/2008	07/2008	Jennifer Preiss 603-536-1315 jpreiss@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to relocate the existing snowmobile trail around Wachipauka Pond to the old "Gould Hill Trail." This would involve approximately 1.5 miles of new trail (on existing old roads) and the closure of 2.6 miles of existing snowmobile trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. South of Wachipauka Pond from Forest Road 108 west to the powerline corridor..				
Pipeline/Haystack Snowmobile Connector CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:03/2008	06/2008	Kori Marchowsky 603-447-5448 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approximately one mile of new snowmobile trail to connect Haystack Road to the north side of Route 3 in Twin Mountain primarily using the existing road and pipeline corridor.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Along Haystack Road and the pipeline across from Haystack Road, approximately perpendicular to Route 3 in Bethlehem, shortly before entering the community of Twin Mountain, NH..				
Rumney Rocks Project EA EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/07/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2007	Expected:12/2007	05/2008	Spencer Bleadorn 603-536-1315 sbleadorn@fs.fed.us
	Description: To create a management plan for a popular rock climbing area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/assessments/rumney_rocks/rumney_rocks.htm				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Town of Rumney.				

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Stevens Brook Vegetation Management Project EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/03/2006 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 11/2007	Expected:02/2008	12/2008	Roger Boyer 603-536-1315 rboyer@fs.fed.us
Description: Vegetation management, including potential harvest of 1.5 mmbf of timber and wildlife habitat improvement.					
Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Towns of Rumney, Grafton County, NH.					
Twin Mountain Bike Path EA	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 09/27/2007	05/2008	Kori Marchowsky 603-536-1315 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
Description: Establish a bicycle path from the north end of the existing bike path through Franconia Notch State Park into the commercial district of Twin Mountain, New Hampshire.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/					
Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos, Grafton. Town of Carroll in Coos County and Town of Bethlehem in Grafton County , NH.					
Watts Snowmobile Trail Relocation CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:02/2008	04/2008	Kori Marchowsky 603-447-5448 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
Description: This project would relocate the Watts Snowmobile Trail to connect with the Stinson Mountain Snowmobile trail, thereby consolidating the two and removing a section of "duplicate" trail.					
Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. The Watts Snowmobile Trail off of Doetown Road, near Stinson Lake and the Stinson Mountain Trailhead in Rumney, NH..					

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Whitetail Vegetation Management Project EA	- Forest products	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Roger Boyer 603-536-1315 rboyer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation Management Project to promote the growth and regeneration of high-quality northern hardwoods and spruce-fir forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Town of Benton, NH. South of Ramsey Basin Rd, east of the North-South Rd, west of the Tunnel Stream Rd, and north of the Titus Brook Rd.				
Wildwood Vegetation Management Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Roger Boyer 603-536-1315 rboyer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation management on approximately 270 stand acres, including harvest of approximately 3.2 mmbf, wildlife habitat improvement and road management. Decision appealed and withdrawn 09/06.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Towns of Easton, Benton and Woodstock, Grafton County, NH.				

White Mountain National Forest	Saco Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R9 - Eastern Region
Bee Line Trail Relocation CE	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 07/27/2007	05/2008	Lauren Oswald 603-447-5448x109 lmoswald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of approximately 1/2 mile of eroding trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. Albany, Carroll County, NH.				

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Chase Hill Single Stand Vegetation Management Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/27/2007	Expected:08/2007 Actual: 12/11/2006	11/2007	Rodney Wilson 603-447-5448 (120) rmwilson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation mgmt. on 60-acre stand of pine & mixed hardwoods to increase light to forest floor, retain oak/pine habitat, increase timber growth & value, protect/enhance population of small whorled pogonia. Withdrawn; NEW DECISION expected 08/2007				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects				
Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. Town of Albany, Carroll County, NH.					
Deer Hill Mineral Site CE	- Minerals and Geology - Forest products - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2008	Expected:09/2008	06/2009	Rodney Wilson 603-447-5448 (120) rmwilson@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will include small permanent openings in the forest canopy and clearing of about an acre of the forest. The openings will be used for recreational mining to replace exhausted adjacent openings within the Deer Hill Mineral Site.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - Maine. COUNTY - Oxford. Deer Hill Mineral Site, Town of Stow, Maine.				
Kanc7 Vegetation and Resource management EA	- Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:08/2008	06/2009	Rodney Wilson 603-447-5448 (120) rmwilson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Wildlife habitat improvement, timber resource management, and recreation management				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects				
Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll, Grafton. Saco Ranger District - upper Swift River Drainage, Towns of Livermore, Waterville Valley and Albany.					
LOWER FALLS SITE IMPROVEMENT PLAN CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:02/2008	05/2008	Lauren Oswald 603-447-5448x109 lmoswald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal is to define walking path to reduce tree mortality and water resource impacts. Also includes revegetation and reclaiming of trampled areas.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. Lower Falls, Kancamagus Scenic Highway. Albany, NH. Carroll County..				

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Lawrence Trail Relocation Project CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2007	Expected:02/2008	05/2008	Lauren Oswald 603-447-5448x109 lmoswald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of approximately 1/2 mile of eroding trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. White Mountain National Forest, Saco Ranger District.				
Province Pond Dam Restoration and Facility Maintenance Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2007	Expected:02/2008	07/2008	Anna Johnston 603-447-5448 amjohnston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Maintenance of a dam and recreation facilities located adjacent to the Province Brook Trail and Province Pond in Carroll County, NH.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. LEGAL - White Mountain National Forest, Saco Ranger District. Town of South Chatham, Carroll County, New Hampshire.				
Switchback Snowmobile Trail Relocation EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/26/2007	Expected:05/2008	08/2008	Lauren Oswald 603-447-5448x109 lmoswald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of the Switchback Snowmobile Trail, including construction/ reconstruction of approximately 4 miles of snowmobile trail and closure of approximately 3.5 miles of snowmobile trail on WMNF land. Previously listed on SOPA as Slippery Brook.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. Towns of Jackson and Chatham, Carroll County, NH.				

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