



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2008 to 09/30/2008

White Mountain 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.					

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

R9 - Eastern Region

Forest-wide Wildlife Opening Maintenance, Scenic Vista Maintenance and Hazardous Fuels Reduction CE	- Fuels management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/02/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/2008	Expected:12/2008	04/2009	Erin Small 603-528-9501 esmall@fs.fed.us
Description: To continue maintenance on existing WLOs and vistas, add new openings to the Forest-wide database, reduce hazardous fuels and promote under represented vegetative communities on 187 openings covering 941 acres on the White Mountain National Forest.					
Location: UNIT - White Mountain National Forest All Units. STATE - New Hampshire, Maine. COUNTY - Oxford, Carroll, Coos, Grafton. LEGAL - Counties of Coos, Grafton and Carroll in the State of New Hampshire and Oxford County in the State of Maine. 187 wildlife openings and scenic vistas on 941 acres across the White Mountain National Forest.					

White Mountain National Forest Androscoggin Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)

R9 - Eastern Region

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White Mountain National Forest	Androscoggin Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region	
Four Ponds Management Project EA *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Watershed management - Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:03/2009	06/2009	Gail Wigler 603-466-2713 ext. 230 gwigler@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Proposed timber harvest, wildlife opening expansion, prescribed fire, watershed and stream improvements, dam replacement, and changes to trails, roads, gravel pits, and campsites. Learn more and comment at Open House July 24 in Bethel, 6:30-8:30 pm.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/index.php</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - Maine. COUNTY - Oxford. Albany Township and Mason Township, Oxford County, Maine.</p>					
Mill Brook Vegetation Management Project EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Watershed management - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants 	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/28/2008	Expected:08/2008	11/2008	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 ext. 222 pnasta@fs.fed.us
<p>Description: Current proposal is for vegetation management to harvest 3 mmbf of timber on 1,034 acres, expand and maintain 2 wildlife openings, conduct watershed restoration and reclassify/decommission roads.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Stark, Coos County, NH.</p>					
South Pond Road Association Special Use Permit Renewal CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road management - Special use management 	Completed	Actual: 04/28/2008	04/2008	Thomas Moore 603-466-2713 tmmoore@fs.fed.us
<p>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.</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/</p> <p>Location: UNIT - Androscoggin Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos. Town of Stark, Coos County, New Hampshire.</p>					

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Wild River Shelters Removal CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/18/2006	Expected:08/2008	10/2008	Patricia Nasta 603-466-2713 pnasta@fs.fed.us
Description: Ongoing analysis 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	
Crawford Stewardship Project EA	- Road management - Facility management - Special use management - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2008	Expected:02/2010	06/2010	Patty Beyer 906-249-4502 pbeyer@fs.fed.us
Description: An integrated resource project with activities including maintenance and improvement of existing recreation facilities, wildlife habitat improvement, timber harvesting, timber stand improvement, and watershed improvement.					
Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Coos, Grafton. Coos County, Towns of Carroll and Crawfords Purchase and Grafton County, Town of Bethlehem.					
Gould Hill Snowmobile Relocation Project CE	- Watershed management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	Jennifer Burnett 603-536-1315 jburnett@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.					

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White Mountain National Forest	Pemigewasset Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R9 - Eastern Region	
Mittersill - Sentinel Mountain Land Exchange EA	- Land ownership management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/25/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/2008	Expected:11/2008	07/2009	Susan Mathison 603-536-1315 smathison@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed Land Exchanged between the State of New Hampshire and WMNF. Federal land being considered for exchange is Mittersill, the upper portion of a dormant ski area. The State owned land being considered is Sentinel Mountain State Forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. Towns of Franconia and Piermont, New Hampshire.				
Oliverian Stewardship Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Recreation management - Land management planning	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/11/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2008	Expected:01/2009	04/2009	Brett Guglielmo 603-536-1315 bguglielmo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Integrated stewardship project. Goals include improvement of quality of timber stands, enhancement of wildlife habitat, mitigation of effects of past logging practices within recent Twin Oaks land acquisition, provide access and day use to Owls Head.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. near Oliverian Pond, Town of Benton, Grafton County, NH.				
Pipeline/Haystack Snowmobile Connector CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	11/2008	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.				

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Road Access/Easement to Seely Inholding EA	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:03/2009	06/2009	Tom Giles 603-528-8788 tjgiles@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to construct a road approximately one mile long across WMNF lands for access to private inholding completely surrounded by Forest lands South of US Route 3 in Bethlehem, NH.				
	Location: UNIT - Pemigewasset Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Grafton. LEGAL - South of US Route 3 in Bethlehem, NH, within the loop of the Gale River Road. Bethlehem, NH.				
Rumney Rocks Project EA EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/07/2007 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	04/2009	Kori Marchowsky 603-447-5448 kmarchowsky@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal is to create a new trail to access crags, establish a trail system, and eliminate environmental damages caused by over use of the 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.				
Stevens Brook Vegetation Management Project EA	- 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 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	12/2008	Janice Mulherin 603-536-1315 jmulherin@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.				
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.				

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Wildwood Vegetation Management Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	09/2007	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	
Deer Hill Mineral Site CE	- Minerals and Geology - Forest products - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	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	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/19/2008	Expected:09/2008	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.				

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LOWER FALLS SITE IMPROVEMENT PLAN CE	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 04/18/2008	08/2008	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.				
McCrillis Path Trail Relocation Project CE	- Land ownership management - Special area management - Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:07/2009	09/2009	Lauren Oswald 603-447-5448x109 lmoswald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocation of approximately 2500 feet of trail from private property onto the White Mountain National Forest. This relocation will restore public access to the McCrillis Path.				
	Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - New Hampshire. COUNTY - Carroll. Town of Sandwich, Carroll County, New Hampshire.				
Province Pond Dam Restoration and Site Improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/17/2007	Expected:09/2008	07/2009	Anna Johnston 603-447-5448 amjohnston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restoration of Province Pond dam and relocation of the shelter and outhouse away from the riparian area at Province Pond in the town of Chatham, 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	On Hold	N/A	N/A	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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