



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2019 to 03/31/2019

### Custer Gallatin National Forest

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#### R1 - Northern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

<b>Group Ten Metals, Stillwater West Phase 2 project Plan of Operations for mineral exploration</b> EA <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 11/16/2018	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Dan Seifert 406-446-2103 dseifert@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Exploratory core drilling for locatable minerals at 35 sites over the course of seven years in the Iron Mountain and Chrome Mountain area of the East Boulder Plateau on Beartooth and Yellowstone Ranger Districts.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55033">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55033</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Beartooth Ranger District, Yellowstone Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Stillwater, Sweet Grass. LEGAL - Drill site locations are at T4S, R13E, Sections 33, 34; T5S, R13E, Sections 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13 and 14; T5S, R14E, Sections 7 and 18. Iron Mountain and Chrome Mountain area of the East Boulder Plateau on Beartooth and Yellowstone Ranger Districts.					
<b>Threemile Restoration and Resiliency Project</b> EA <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 12/07/2018	Expected:06/2019	05/2020	Mark Slacks 406-255-1450 mslacks@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Manage this fire adapted ecosystem towards a mosaic of forest, woody draw, & grassland vegetation that restores & improves ecosystem resiliency. Use commercial timber harvest, prescribed fire, and non-commercial treatments to achieve this outcome.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52677">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52677</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Ashland Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Powder River. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 9 air miles southeast of Ashland, MT in the Home Creek, Threemile Creek, and Tenmile Creek drainages. South of Hwy. 212 bounded on the north, south and west sides by non-FS lands.					

#### Custer Gallatin National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R1 - Northern Region

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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Custer Gallatin Forest Plan Revision</b> EIS  *UPDATED*	- Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 02/04/2016 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Mariah Leuschen 406-587-6735 mdleuschen@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The Custer Gallatin National Forest is undergoing Forest Plan Revision. The Forest Plan is a comprehensive overarching document that guides forest management, use, and protection providing broad direction, standards and guidelines for years to come.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50185">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50185</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Custer Gallatin National Forest All Units. STATE - Montana, South Dakota. COUNTY - Carbon, Carter, Gallatin, Madison, Meagher, Park, Powder River, Rosebud, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Harding. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Custer Gallatin National Forest.					

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>					<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
<b>Emigrant Crevice Locatable Mineral Withdrawal</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 10/12/2018	10/2018	Sitka Pence 406-587-6985 sitkapence@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> USFS has filed an application with BLM requesting that the Secretary of Interior withdraw for a 20-year term approx 30,370 acres of NFS lands from location and entry under US mining laws.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51258">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51258</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Yellowstone Ranger District, Gardiner Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - See description at <a href="https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-11-22/pdf/2016-28052.pdf">https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-11-22/pdf/2016-28052.pdf</a> . Emigrant Gulch and Crevice Mountain areas located in the Custer Gallatin National Forest, Park County, Montana.					

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Bozeman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>	<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>
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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Bozeman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Deer Creek Trailhead Reconstruction</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Watershed management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/07/2017	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Wendi Urie 406-222-1892 wurie@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Re-grade the parking area & undertake streambank re-vegetation stabilization measures to reduce runoff to the Gallatin River & create appropriate storm drainage areas away from the river. Improve parking delineation. Rebuild the fishing platform.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bozeman Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - T6S, R4E, NE1/4 Section 23, Standard Parallel. Gallatin Canyon, Highway 191, Deer Creek Trailhead.				
<b>Hyalite Shooting Restriction</b> CE	- Regulations, Directives, Orders - Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Corey Lewellen 406-522-2531 clewellen@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Prohibition on discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun within the Hyalite Drainage.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bozeman Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Hyalite Drainage approximately 13 miles south of Bozeman, Montana.				
<b>Middle Fork Willow Creek Rock Pit</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Watershed management - Minerals and Geology - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Allison Stringer 4065222525 astringer@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Open a native rock source along the Middle Fork Willow Crk. road just above the Forest Boundary. Rock will be used to surface and stabilize the North & Middle Forks of Willow Crk & Jackson Crk. roads to reduce sediment delivery & improve drivability.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bozeman Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Middle Fork Willow Creek approximately 9 miles NW of Livingston, Montana, along the east slope of the Bangtail Mountains, Park County. Forest Service Road #6600 near the Forest Boundary.				

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<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Hebgen Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>Oregon Short Line Rail Trail</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/18/2018	Expected:02/2019	05/2019	Drew Stroberg 970-642-4445 dstroberg@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Convert 9.25 miles, from the West Yellowstone city limit to Reas Pass, of the abandoned Oregon Short Line rail bed into a bike path that can be used by all skill levels.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54829">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54829</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hebgen Lake Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Sections 32 and 33, Township 13 South, Range 5 East; sections 5, 6, 7, 18, 19, 30, and 31 Township 14 South, Range 5 East; and section 36 Township 14 South, Range 4 East; Boise Principal Meridian. West-southwest of West Yellowstone, MT between the West Yellowstone, MT city limits and Reas Pass.					
<b>Whitebark Pine Cycle 6 Test Plantation</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management - Research and Development	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/21/2018	Expected:03/2019	04/2019	Clay Demastus 406-522-2553 crdemastus@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Test objectives will evaluate durability of seven rust resistant traits under natural inoculum, the effective population size, & other environmental agents such as insects/disease/drought, & cold snaps. Monitoring will be done approx. every 5 yrs.					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hebgen Lake Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Gallatin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Custer Gallatin NF, Taylor Fork/Deadhorse area, off NFSR #136.					

<b>Custer Gallatin National Forest</b>	<b>Yellowstone Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R1 - Northern Region</b>	
<b>East Paradise Range Recession</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/10/2013 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2019	Expected:07/2019	09/2019	Chauntelle Rock 406-222-1892 crock@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> This is to study six open grazing allotments and determine if reauthorization of grazing is warranted					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41485">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41485</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Yellowstone Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Park. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Yellowstone Ranger District, south of I-90 each of Hwy. 89 S. Grazing allotments: Suce Cr C&H, 6-Mile Cr S. C&H, Mill Creek C&H, Pine Cr C&H, Elbow C&H.					

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<b>Miminagish Organization Camp CE</b>  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/11/2012	Expected:03/2019	04/2019	Nancy Taylor 775-752-3357 ntaylor02@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Master Plan development and conversion of obsolete Special Use Permit to current format for the Miminagish Organization Church Camp in the Main Boulder canyon, Yellowstone Ranger District <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=38106">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=38106</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Yellowstone Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Sweet Grass. LEGAL - T5S, R12E, Section 26. Main Boulder Road.				
<b>Sibanye Stillwater Mining Company's East Boulder Mine Stage 6 Tailings Storage Facility Amendment EA</b>  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 11/09/2018	Expected:01/2020	02/2020	Robert Grosvenor 406-848-7375 ext.28 rgrosvenor@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> SSMC East Boulder Mine proposes expanding the existing TSF an additional 14 ft. elevation using the same construction and operation methods as approved in stages 1 to 5. Final crest elevation is designed at 6,344 feet. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55061">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55061</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Yellowstone Ranger District. STATE - Montana. COUNTY - Sweet Grass. LEGAL - Township 4 South, Range 13 East, Sections 2 and 11, Principal Meridian. East Boulder Mine (EBM), Sweet Grass County, approx.. 16 miles south of McCloud, MT in the East Boulder drainage. Access is by State Route #298 and Forest Service Road #205.				

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