



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2021 to 03/31/2021

Dakota Prairie Grasslands

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
Projects Occurring Nationwide					
Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/13/2018 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2021	Expected:12/2021	12/2021	Nancy Rusho 202-731-9196 nancy.rusho@usda.gov
	Description: The U.S. Department of Agriculture proposes revisions to its regulations at 36 CFR 228, Subpart A governing locatable minerals operations on National Forest System lands. A draft EIS & proposed rule should be available for review/comment in late 2020				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations apply to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the US mining laws. More Information is available at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions .				

Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R1 - Northern Region
Northern Great Plains Management Plans Revision Supplemental EIS for Oil and Gas Leasing EIS *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 12/07/2020	01/2021	Macario Herrera 701-989-7310 macario.herrera@usda.gov
	Description: Supplemental EIS prepared to analyze the changed oil and gas development pattern on the Dakota Prairie Grasslands. This project will supplement the 2001 Northern Great Plains Management Plans Revision FEIS.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40652				
Location: UNIT - Dakota Prairie Grasslands All Units. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Billings, Golden Valley, McKenzie, Slope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Little Missouri and Cedar River Grasslands Units.					

Dakota Prairie Grasslands	Grand River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Grand River and Cedar River Adaptive Management Plan EA *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/12/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Kyle Dalzell 605-374-3592 kyle.p.dalzell@usda.gov
	Description: The project proposes to apply an adaptive management strategy using a variety of tools to effectively manage and restore rangelands managed by the District in accordance with land management plan direction.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54324				
Location: UNIT - Grand River Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota, South Dakota. COUNTY - Adams, Sioux, Corson, Perkins, Ziebach. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Grand River Ranger District.					

Dakota Prairie Grasslands	MCKENZIE RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Bridger Pipeline LLC Crude Oil Pipeline Corridor EA *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 12/18/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Kim Grotte 701-842-8509 kim.grotte@usda.gov
	Description: Bridger Pipeline LLC proposes to construct a crude oil pipeline system to transport oil from Bridger's Baker/Sandstone Station near Plevna, MT to Bridger's Johnsons Corner Terminal located near Johnson's Corner, ND.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59260				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Portions of T148N, R101W; T147N, R101W; T147N, R102W; T146N, R102W; T146N, R103W; T145N, R103W; and T145N, R104W. Southwestern McKenzie County, North Dakota.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands MCKENZIE RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
Burlington Stafford Multi-Well Pad EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 07/25/2020	Expected:02/2021	02/2021	Heidi Kummer 701-842-8512 heidi.m.kummer@usda.gov
	Description: Burlington proposes to construct one multi-well pad to drill five oil and gas wells in McKenzie County, North Dakota.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58521				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 34, T151N, R95W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Section 34, T151N, R95W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					
Cherry Creek Water, Phase 2 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/07/2020	10/2020	Ryan Hammargren 701-842-8514 Ryan.Hammargren@usda.gov
	Description: Cherry Creek Water, LLC proposes to construct a fresh water pipeline across National Forest System Lands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58775				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Sections 23 and 26, T149N, R97W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Sections 23 and 26, T149N, R97W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					
McKenzie County Water Resource District (MCWRD) Spring Creek pipeline EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/19/2020	10/2020	Keri Rummel 701-842-8513 Keri.Rummel@usda.gov
	Description: McKenzie County Water Resource District (MCWRD) proposes to construct approximately 11,695 feet of rural water pipeline to supply water to 10 users in southeastern McKenzie County.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57942				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Sections 20 & 29, T149N, R97W; Section 22, T148N, R98W; and Section 6, T147N, R98W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Sections 20 & 29, T149N, R97W; Section 22, T148N, R98W; and Section 6, T147N, R98W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands		MCKENZIE RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region
Ovintiv Sorenson Federal Multi-Well Pad EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/06/2020	Expected:03/2021	03/2021	Cale Bickerdyke 701-842-8502 cebickerdyke@usda.gov
	Description: Ovintiv proposes to construct up to 10 oil and gas wells on one pad, including an access road and associated utilities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57354				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 9, T153N, R96W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Section 9, T153N, R96W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					
Pasture 7, ADP 433 Fence and Pasture 9, ADP 443 Fence CE *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 10/06/2020	11/2020	Tracy Ellig 7018428527 tracy.ellig@usda.gov
	Description: The McKenzie Ranger district is proposing two fencing projects. Pasture 7, Allotment 433 proposes to construct a new calving pasture fence Pasture 9, Allotment 443 proposes a new fence and holding area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58867				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 20, T145N, R101W and Section 11 & 12, T149N, R97W. Section 20, T145N, R101W and Section 11 & 12, T149N, R97W.					
Petro-Hunt, LLC USA 153-95-2 Multi-Well Pad EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 09/25/2020	10/2020	Brian Schwartz 701-842-8519 bgschwartz@usda.gov
	Description: Petro-Hunt, LLC proposes to construct the USA 153-95-2 oil and gas well pad with three wells. The proposal includes an access road and utilities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57410				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 2, T153N, R95W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Section 2, T153N, R95W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands	MCKENZIE RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
Prairie Federal Utility Route EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/01/2020	Expected:03/2021	03/2021	Kim Grotte 701-842-8509 kim.grotte@usda.gov
	Description: XTO Energy, Inc proposes to construct crude oil and natural gas pipeline systems to transport oil and gas from the Prairie Federal well pad to existing pipeline gathering systems.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58202				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sections 19, 20, and 30, T149N, R96W; Section 24, T149N, R97W.					
Sinclair Oil and Gas Company FS14 Multi-Well Pad EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 11/30/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	Brian Schwartz 701-842-8519 bgschwartz@usda.gov
	Description: Sinclair proposes the development of up to 14 new oil and gas wells on one pad with associated access road and utilities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57409				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 13, T147N, R98W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Section 13, T147N, R98W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					
Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. Environmental Assessment for proposed oil and gas wells. EA	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Justin Hartel 701-842-2393 jhartel@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is proposing to approve necessary surface use associated with Slawson Exploration Company's proposal to drill, complete, and produce an oil well on their Federal oil and gas lease consistent with current laws.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=42863				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - T147N, R105W. This project area is located 40 miles southwest of Watford City, ND. Generally this project is located within the Squaw Gap Oil Field.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands MCKENZIE RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
True Oil, L.L.C. Northern State 31-36 Access Road and Utilities CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/08/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	Ryan Hammargren 701-842-8514 Ryan.Hammargren@usda.gov
	Description: True Oil, L.L.C. proposes to construct an access road and utility route to the Northern State 31-36 oil and gas well pad located on State land in McKenzie County, North Dakota.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58289				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Section 6, T147N, R101W and Section 31, T148N, R101W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota. Section 6, T147N, R101W and Section 31, T148N, R101W, 5th PM, McKenzie County, North Dakota.					
USA Federal 6A-HU Oil and Gas Well (Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation) CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Cale Bickerdyke 701-227-7800 cebickerdyke@fs.fed.us
	Description: Whiting proposes to drill an oil and gas well(USA Federal 6A-HU)from the existing USA 150-102-6A-7-1H well pad. The pad is approximately 2.36 acres. The project will add approximately 0.58 acres to the existing pad and use existing NFSR #858A-6.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51881				
Location: UNIT - Mckenzie Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - McKenzie. LEGAL - Lot 4 Section 6, T.150N., R.102W., 5th PM. Lot 4 Section 6, T.150N., R.102W., 5th PM.					

Dakota Prairie Grasslands Medora Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
Allotment 097 Range Water System CE	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/10/2020	Expected:10/2020	10/2020	Blake Roetman 7012277833 blake.roetman@usda.gov
	Description: Little Missouri Grazing Association proposes to construct a range water pipeline system in Slope County, North Dakota.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58511				
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Slope. LEGAL - Sections 22 & 23, T133N, R104W, Slope County, North Dakota. Sections 22 & 23, T133N, R104W, Slope County, North Dakota.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands	Medora Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R1 - Northern Region
Allotment 197 Water Pipeline CE *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 10/19/2020	10/2020	David Hancock 701-227-7840 david.a.hancock@usda.gov
Description: Medora Grazing Association proposes to install water pipelines to 5 pastures.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58688					
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Billings. LEGAL - SECTION 24, T137N, R102W. SECTION 24, T137N, R102W.					
Elkhorn Ranchlands LRMP Amendment EIS	- Land management planning	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sherri Schwenke 701-250-4443 sschwenke@fs.fed.us
Description: Amend the 2002 Dakota Prairie Grasslands LRMP to include the acquired 5,100 acre Elkhorn Ranchlands and associated range allotments (18,000 additional NFS acres).					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=25800					
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Billings. North and west of Medora, ND.					
Greater Sage-grouse Plan Land and Resource Management Plan Amendment EIS	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Glen Stein 801-625-5281 gstein@fs.fed.us
Description: Plan amendment to incorporate management direction for Greater sage-grouse habitat needs. For additional information on Sage-grouse Amendments in planning on other National Forests please see: http://www.fs.usda.gov/r4					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44386					
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Golden Valley, Slope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Priority and general habitats for the GRSG in Slope and Golden Valley Counties, ND.					

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Dakota Prairie Grasslands Medora Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R1 - Northern Region
NP Resources Elkhorn Ranch and Roosevelt Oil and Gas Wells Project EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 12/09/2020	12/2020	Jason Dekker 701-227-7821 jdekker@fs.fed.us
Description: NP Resources, LLC has proposed three multi-well pads, the Elkhorn Ranch Federal 143-102-1-12H, Elkhorn Ranch Federal 143-102-2-11H, and the Roosevelt Federal 143-102-28-33H and the associated facilities and buried utilities in Billings County, ND.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56228					
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Billings. LEGAL - Elkhorn Ranch Fed 143-102-1-12H: NWNE Section 1, T143N, R102W; Elkhorn Ranch Fed 143-102-2-11H: NWNE Section 2, T143N, R102W; and Roosevelt Fed 143-102-28-33H: NENW of Section 28, T143N, R102W. Elkhorn Ranch Fed 143-102-1-12H: NWNE Section 1, T143N, R102W; Elkhorn Ranch Fed 143-102-2-11H: NWNE Section 2, T143N, R102W; and Roosevelt Fed 143-102-28-33H: NENW of Section 28, T143N, R102W.					
Pioneer Gulch MDH Trail Reroute CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 10/28/2020	Expected:03/2021	03/2021	Robert Schilling 701-227-7837 robert.schilling@usda.gov
Description: Pioneer Gulch MDHT Reroute to Avoid Eroded Section					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58962					
Location: UNIT - Medora Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Billings. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sections 22 and 27, T. 142 N., R 102 W.					

Dakota Prairie Grasslands	Sheyenne Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R1 - Northern Region
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Dakota Prairie Grasslands	Sheyenne Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R1 - Northern Region	
East Sheyenne Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/10/2020	Expected:03/2021	03/2021	Stacy Swenson 701-683-4342 stacy.swenson@usda.gov
Description: The Sheyenne Ranger District is proposing to authorize continued grazing and vegetation management under an adaptive management strategy for 22 allotments and two general resource areas in accordance with land management plan direction.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58252					
Location: UNIT - Sheyenne Ranger District. STATE - North Dakota. COUNTY - Ransom, Richland. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located approximately 20 miles east of Lisbon North Dakota and includes portions of Ransom and Richland Counties, North Dakota.					

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