



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2019 to 03/31/2019

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Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

Western Area Power Administration Right-of-Way Maintenance and Reauthorization Project EIS	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	David Loomis 303-275-5008 dloomis@fs.fed.us
Description: Update vegetation management activities along 278 miles of transmission lines located on NFS lands in Colorado, Nebraska, and Utah. These activities are intended to protect the transmission lines by managing for stable, low growth vegetation.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=30630					
Location: UNIT - Ashley National Forest All Units, Grand Valley Ranger District, Norwood Ranger District, Yampa Ranger District, Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District, Pine Ridge Ranger District, Sulphur Ranger District, East Zone/Dillon Ranger District, Paonia Ranger District, Boulder Ranger District, West Zone/Sopris Ranger District, Canyon Lakes Ranger District, Salida Ranger District, Gunnison Ranger District, Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado, Nebraska, Utah. COUNTY - Chaffee, Delta, Dolores, Eagle, Grand, Gunnison, Jackson, Lake, La Plata, Larimer, Mesa, Montrose, Routt, Saguache, San Juan, Dawes, Daggett, Uintah. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Linear transmission lines located in Colorado, Utah, and Nebraska.					

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Abandoned Mine Lands - Silver Needle Mine Group Safety Closures CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 10/05/2018	10/2018	Walter Brown 970-385-1372 wabrown@fs.fed.us
Description: Remediation actions at several mine adits and/or shafts for public safety reasons. Activities could include back-filling with native materials, metal grates, and/or trail re-routes to avoid hazards.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45967					
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T38N R7W, T39N R7W. Weminuche Wilderness northeast of Durango: Silver Mesa, Chicago Basin and Vallecito Basin areas.					

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Forest Health - Baldy Mountain Vegetation Management Project. EA *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/18/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2019	Expected:09/2019	05/2020	Matthew Tuten 970-240-5417 mtuten@fs.fed.us
	Description: Harvest of conifer trees on 3100 acres, including beetle-killed salvage, as well as affected green trees, to reduce tree competition and promote healthy forests. The project may also include nearby trail maintenance and fisheries improvements.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55305				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta, La Plata. LEGAL - T35N R5W. Beaver Meadows - Baldy Mountain area.					
Lands - Trimble Administrative Site Sale EA *UPDATED*	- Land ownership management - Facility management	Completed	Actual: 10/10/2018	11/2018	Shawnee Hinman 9703851246 sfhinman@fs.fed.us
	Description: Sale of the San Juan National Forest Trimble Administrative Site under competitive bidding procedures. Approximately 20 acres including mineral and water rights. The property consists of land plus three garage-type structures and miscellaneous sheds.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45948				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T36N, R9W, section 15 E1/2 NE1/4 NW1/4, N.M.P.M. Parcel address is 373 County Road 252. Approximately 8 miles north of Durango, east of Highway 550 on County Road 252 (Trimble Lane).					
Minerals - Petrox Northern Extension Pipeline and Horizontal Drilling Project EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/27/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2019	Expected:09/2019	06/2020	Walter Brown 970-385-1372 wabrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construction of a pipeline on FS, state, and private lands; construction of 1 new gas well pad and access road on FS land; and re-completion of 2 existing gas wells located on FS. The wells would be drilled with horizontal drilling techniques.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53825				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - T34&35N R5&6W. Pipeline route runs from Lange Canyon to Fosset Gulch, 8 miles east of Bayfield.					

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Range - Elkhorn Allotment Gravel Pit Corral CE *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 11/30/2018	06/2109	Jared Whitmer 970-884-1416 jwhitmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct a corral at the gravel pit on Missionary Ridge to help manage livestock grazing.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54649				
	Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T36N R9W section 32. Missionary Ridge gravel pit clearing.				
Range - Weminuche Landscape Grazing Analysis EIS *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jared Whitmer 970-884-1416 jwhitmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis of grazing, including domestic sheep, on 13 active or vacant allotments in the Weminuche Landscape:Burnt Timber, CanyonCrk, Cave Basin, E.SilverMesa, FallCrk, FlintCrk, JohnsonCrk, Leviathan, PineR, RockCrk, Spring Gulch, and Virginia Gulch.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=37578				
	Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Hinsdale, La Plata, San Juan. LEGAL - T36-40N, R4-9W. From northern Missionary Ridge east through the southern Weminuche Wilderness to Pine River.				
Recreation - Logchutes Downhill Mountain Bike Trail CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jed Botsford 970-884-1436 jedbotsford@fs.fed.us
	Description: Authorize a downhill mountain bike trail in the Logchutes trail system. Route would be approximately 3.5 mi long using existing alignments. Additionally, the project would rehabilitate other non-system trails in the area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54601				
	Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T35N R10W sections 19, 24-26, 35-36. Logchutes trail system accessed by the Junction Creek Road, northwest of Durango, CO.				
Recreation - Purgatory Mountain Bike Trails CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/09/2018	Expected:03/2019	06/2019	Jed Botsford 970-884-1436 jedbotsford@fs.fed.us
	Description: Purgatory has requested to build four new trails and reroute two current trails within the ski area permit boundary for a total of about 10 miles, or 4 acres of new disturbance.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53977				
	Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T 38N R 9W Sections 22-27. Within the Purgatory Ski Area permit boundary.				

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Forest Health - Dolores Aspen Landscape Vegetation Management EA *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/06/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2019	Expected:09/2019	09/2019	David Casey 970-882-6830 djcasey@fs.fed.us
	Description: Treatment of 4,000 ac - 6,000 ac of mature aspen-dominated forest using even-aged treatments. Connected actions include slash treatment; temporary road construction & obliteration; and reconstruction of existing system roads.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54880				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores, Montezuma. LEGAL - Multiple townships and ranges on the Dolores Ranger District. The project area is located approximately 20 miles northeast of Dolores, CO. on the Dolores Ranger District. Proposed treatment areas are in the vicinity of Hillside Drive, Orphan Butte, Lone Cone, Cottonwood Creek and Beef Pasture.					
Forest Health - Lone Pine Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/13/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2019	Expected:04/2019	06/2019	Travis Bruch 970-625-6849 tbruch@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed pine vegetation management actions to move forest from 'mature closed' to 'mature open' and establish patches of young forest. Includes salvage of dead trees from recent beetle outbreak.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54682				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Northwest of Dolores, Colorado and east of Dove Creek, Colorado on National Forest lands in 'the glade' area.					
Range - Glade Landscape Rangeland Management Analysis EIS *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 09/26/2018	05/2019	Corey Ertl 307 358-7126 certl@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to revise allotment management plans for 8 cattle allotments to improve or maintain conditions for healthy rangeland conditions of grasses, forbs and shrubs for cattle use, wildlife habitat, and watershed health.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43416				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest lands north of Dolores, Colorado and east of Dove Creek, Colorado including the Mair, Brumley, Lone Mesa, Salter, Glade, Sage Hen, Long Park and Calf Allotments.					

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Range - Mancos Rangeland Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/17/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Corey Ertl 307 358-7126 certl@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to reauthorize term grazing permits and modify grazing management on all or portions of four allotments: Spring Creek, Turkey Creek, Jersey Jim and Gold Run Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53215				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Mancos Landscape is located in Townships 37-38 North, Ranges 11-14 West, in the northeast portion of the Dolores Ranger District, north of Mancos, Colorado.				
Range - Tenderfoot C&H Allotment EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 07/16/2014	Expected:01/2019	06/2019	Heather Musclow 970-882-6818 hmusclow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Term Grazing Permit renewal and allotment analysis. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=26453				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores, Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 24 miles NE of Dolores, CO. Drainages include Section House, School House, Tenderfoot, Estes Draw, Wildcat, and Burnette Creek.				
Special Uses - Empire Electric Advanced Metering Infrastructure CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/28/2018	Expected:12/2018	12/2018	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to install a 45 foot pole/tower radio repeater to include small direction antennas and solar PV modules, and a metal cabinet, within a 10 x 10 foot area surrounded by chain link fence. Use of site would be year round.				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Montezuma. LEGAL - SESW Section 15, T38N, R14W. East of FR527 Boggy Draw and west of Hwy 145 north of the Town of Dolores.				

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Special Uses - Empire Electric Association Permit Renewal CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/19/2016	Expected:12/2018	12/2018	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to renew a special use permit for overhead and under ground power line distribution locations over the next 30-year period. Proposal includes consolidating eight Empire Electric Association's authorizations into a single Master Permit.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49922				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Throughout the Dolores District.					
Special Uses - Hassinger-Muscari 20-year Road Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/22/2014	Expected:12/2018	12/2018	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renew existing road use permit for a new 20 year term.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46524				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forest Roads located northwest of Dolores, Colorado and northeast of Mancos, CO. Includes portions of Forest Roads 556, 557, and 376.					
Special Uses - Northwest Pipeline LLC, Pipeline Related Facility Permit Renewal CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/30/2017	Expected:01/2019	02/2019	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to renew and existing permit for another 30-years and include 434-feet of buried 4-inch perforated drain pipe used to aid in draining water in area just north of Hwy 160 and within and adjacent to Northwest Pipeline's gas line corridor.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52159				
Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The drain lines include 1/4 acre located east of Cherry Creek, north of Hwy 160 located east of the Town of Mancos.					

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Special Uses - San Miguel Power Association Permit Renewal	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
CE	Description: Proposal to renew existing permits for existing 25kv overhead and existing underground power transmission line locations for a 30-year period Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51293 Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - Not Applicable. A 30-foot right-of-way located adjacent to Hwy 145 from Lizard Head pass to the Town of Rico (13 miles) and a second power line (850 feet) to Cayton Campground.				

San Juan National Forest	Pagosa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region	
Forest Products - Sand Bench Vegetation Management Project	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/19/2018	Expected:02/2019	06/2019	Timothy Leishman 970-264-1510 timothyleishman@fs.fed.us
EA	Description: Project focuses on the salvage harvest of dead and dying merchantable trees and the selection harvest of green trees. Opportunities for fisheries improvement projects are also being considered. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54246 Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Hinsdale. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sand Bench area northwest of Pagosa Springs.				
Range - Coyote Creek Range Improvements	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 11/02/2018	06/2019	John Garcia 970-264-1516 jgarcia@fs.fed.us
CE	Description: Construction of 2 stock ponds and a small section of fence on the Coyote Creek Allotment Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54883 Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Southeast portion of the Pagosa District on the Coyote Creek Allotment.				

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