



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2020 to 03/31/2020

San Juan National Forest

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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.				

San Juan National Forest Columbine Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R2 - Rocky Mountain Region

Forest Products - Baldy Mountain Vegetation Management Project. EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 11/18/2019	05/2021	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.				

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Minerals - Catamount 26-1 Gas Well CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 10/21/2019	10/2019	Walter Brown 970-385-1372 wabrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Expand an existing shut-in gas well pad by 1.6 acres and drill an exploratory horizontal well to determine possibility of future development.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56664				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - T 34 N, R 6 W, Section 26. Spring Creek.					
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 01/2020	Expected:06/2020	08/2020	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.					
Special Uses - Hutcherson Pipeline CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/29/2019	Expected:12/2019	12/2019	Lewis Sovocool 970-884-1433 Isovocool@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-Authorization of approximately 4000 feet of buried pipeline (6 feet wide) within the H.E. Freeman Ditch, which transports water from Squaw Creek to permittee's adjacent private land. No new disturbance.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56412				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - T 34N R 5W Sections 10 & 11. Just west of Hwy 160/Fosset Gulch Road intersection, paralleling the highway.					

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Special Uses - McKnight Well and Pipeline Re-Authorization CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/19/2019	12/2019	Lewis Sovocool 970-884-1433 Isovocool@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-Authorization of long time use for 312 feet of Forest Service owned pipeline and well along with 312 feet of electric line and well house for supplying domestic water to permittee's house. No new disturbance.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56411				
Location: UNIT - Columbine Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - La Plata. LEGAL - T 36N R 9W Section 27. CR 250.					

San Juan National Forest Mancos/Dolores Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
Forest Health - Dolores Aspen Landscape Vegetation Management EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 12/06/2019	06/2020	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: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/30/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	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.					

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Range - Mancos Rangeland Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	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	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Lindsey Hansen 970-385-1369 lindseyhansen@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.				
Recreation - Chicken Creek Trails EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/14/2019	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Thomas Rice 970-882-6829 thomasrice@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis of the existing trail system accessed from the Chicken Creek Parking Lot; analysis of approximately 20 miles of new non-motorized single track trails; and analysis of designating 1.5 miles of existing trail as open to motorized use. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55794				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. North of Mancos, Colorado, between NFSR 566 on the east and NSFR 559 to the west.				

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Recreation - Rico Trails Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/06/2019	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Thomas Rice 970-882-6829 thomasbrice@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analysis of proposed trails, reroutes and improvements to the Spring Creek, Ryman, Rio Grande Southern and Circle trails Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56748				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - Not Applicable. In the vicinity of Rico, CO.				
Recreation - Sage Hen Motorized Trail EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Thomas Rice 970-882-6829 thomasbrice@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal for designation of a 4.5 mile OHV trail in the Sage Hen area Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56766				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sage Hen Area north of Montezuma County Road X.				
Special Uses - Double A Ranch LLC Private Road Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 06/06/2019	06/2019	Justin Mapula 530-964-3706 jamapula@fs.fed.us
	Description: Double A Ranch LLC has requested a private road use permit for the use and maintenance of an existing non-system road as a private access driveway: approximately 1,590 feet in length and 30 feet in width, containing approximately 1.1 acres. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56112				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores. LEGAL - T40N R11W sections 5,8,9, and T41N R11W section 32. Off Dolores CR 38 near Eagle Falls and Dunton.				
Special Uses - Farmers Telephone Company Permit Reissuance CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/02/2019	01/2020	Justin Mapula 970-882-6814 justin.mapula@usda.gov
	Description: Operation and maintenance of approximately 7.3 miles of existing buried fiber optic telephone line along Highway 145 from Taylor Creek to Rico Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56624				
	Location: UNIT - Mancos/Dolores Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Dolores, Montezuma. LEGAL - Not Applicable. along Hwy 145 from Taylor Creek to Rico.				

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Special Uses - Hassinger-Muscari 20-year Road Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/22/2014	Expected:12/2019	01/2020	Justin Mapula 970-882-6814 jamapula@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	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Justin Mapula 970-882-6814 jamapula@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.					
Special Uses - San Miguel Power Association Permit Renewal CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Shauna Jensen 970-882-6815 smjensen@fs.fed.us
	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.					

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San Juan National Forest Pagosa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R2 - Rocky Mountain Region		
Forest Products - Upper Rito Buckles Vegetation Management Project EA *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/30/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2020	Expected:04/2020	06/2020	Matthew Tuten 970-240-5417 mtuten@fs.fed.us
	Description: Timber harvest on up to 2,600 acres in the Upper Rito Blanco and Buckles Lake area. This may include salvage of dead and dying trees, coppice with reserve, and improvement cuts.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57071				
Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Upper Rito Blanco and Buckles Lake area on the Pagosa Ranger District.					
Lands - Valle Seco 2019 Land Exchange EA *NEW LISTING*	- Land ownership management - Land acquisition	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/13/2019 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2020	Expected:07/2020	12/2020	Rebecca Smith 970-264-1521 rsmith@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to exchange approximately 472 acres of SJNF lands in eleven parcels for approximately 900 acres of two non-Federal parcels of land adjacent to NFS land managed by the SJNF.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57154				
Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta, Hinsdale. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Pagosa Ranger District: Eleven parcels of federal lands totaling approximately 472 acres and 2 parcels of non-federal land totaling approximately 900 acres. Refer to maps provided on SJNF website.					
Lands Adjustments - Kimber Small Tracts Act project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Land ownership management	Completed	Actual: 12/16/2019	12/2019	Rebecca Smith 970-264-1521 rsmith@fs.fed.us
	Description: Small tracts act land adjustment to resolve encroachment issues that resulted from conflicting surveys				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57146				
Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. East side of the Pagosa Ranger District.					

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Recreation - Mill Creek Snowmobile Trailhead Relocation	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 12/31/2019	12/2019	Paul Blackman 307-745-2363 plblackman@fs.fed.us
EA *UPDATED*	Description: Relocation of a snowmobile trailhead to provide improved access to an existing groomed snowmobile trail Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56307 Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. At the intersection of Mill Creek Road (CR 302) and Nipple Mountain Road (NFSR 665) on the Pagosa Ranger District, San Juan National Forest.				
Special Uses - CenturyLink Blanco Basin Fiber Optic Installation	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/24/2019	11/2019	Rebecca Smith 970-264-1521 rsmith@fs.fed.us
CE *NEW LISTING*	Description: Installation of fiber optic line along the Blanco Basin Road on the Pagosa Ranger District Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57047 Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Along the Blanco Basin Road (County Road 326) on the Pagosa Ranger District.				
Special Uses - Price Lakes Private Land Road Access Permit	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/10/2019	12/2019	Rebecca Smith 970-264-1521 rsmith@fs.fed.us
CE *NEW LISTING*	Description: Special use authorization of motorized access (with appropriate maintenance stipulations) to a private land owner for the use of the first 0.7 miles of the Price Lakes Road Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57282 Location: UNIT - Pagosa Ranger District. STATE - Colorado. COUNTY - Archuleta. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Southeast corner of the Pagosa Ranger District in the Price Lakes area.				

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