



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)
04/01/2019 to 06/30/2019

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
R3 - Southwestern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
4FRI Rim Country Project EIS	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 06/26/2015 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2019	Expected:04/2020	04/2020	John Souther 928-226-4686 jsouther@fs.fed.us
	Description: Landscape-scale restoration on the Coconino, Apache-Sitgreaves, and Tonto National Forests of ponderosa pine ecosystems, designed to maintain, improve, and restore ecosystem structure, pattern, function, and resiliency.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/4FRIRimCountry				
	Location: UNIT - Coconino National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Mogollon Rim Ranger District, Coconino NF; Black Mesa and Lakeside Ranger Districts, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest; Payson and Pleasant Valley Ranger Districts, Tonto National Forest.				
AZ Public Service (APS) ROW Vegetation Management with Herbicides EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Special use management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/07/2018	Expected:04/2019	04/2019	Heather Snow 505-842-3445 hsnow@fs.fed.us
	Description: FS must decide whether to allow APS to include using herbicides as a method to manage vegetation on existing APS transmission ROW within five National Forests in Arizona.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45771				
	Location: UNIT - Kaibab National Forest All Units, Prescott National Forest All Units, Coconino National Forest All Units, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units, Tonto National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino, Gila, Maricopa, Navajo, Yavapai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Arizona Public Service Company Rights of Way across the Apache-Sitgreaves, Coconino, Kaibab, Prescott, and Tonto National Forests. See map on website.				

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Prescott College Academic Outfitter and Guide Priority Use (2015-2025) CE	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/02/2015	Expected:04/2018	05/2018	Julie Rowe 928-203-7516 jrowe@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to authorize Prescott College to conduct academic courses including new student orientation, adventure education, biology, human ecology, natural history, physical geography, field ecology, environmental conservation Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47407				
	Location: UNIT - Coronado National Forest All Units, Kaibab National Forest All Units, Prescott National Forest All Units, Tonto Basin Ranger District, Coconino National Forest All Units, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Yavapai. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Activities take place in a variety of locations throughout the forest.				
Stateline Range NEPA EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 10/31/2018	Expected:09/2019	10/2019	Kent Ellett 928-965-4150 kellett@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-authorize livestock grazing for allotments on Gila NF-Glenwood RD: Alma, Citizen, Dry Creek, Holt Gulch, Pleasanton, Potholes & Sacaton; and on A-S NF-Clifton RD: Alma Mesa, Lop Ear, Copperas, Pleasant Valley, Blackjack, Hickey & Keller Canyon Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=22466				
	Location: UNIT - Glenwood Ranger District, Clifton Ranger District. STATE - Arizona, New Mexico. COUNTY - Greenlee, Catron, Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Allotments located along the stateline between the Clifton and Glenwood Ranger Districts.				

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R3 - Southwestern Region

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Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Public Motorized Travel Management Plan EIS	- Road management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/29/2010 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2019	Expected:03/2020	04/2020	Kevin Holmes 928-333-6340 kevinholmes@fs.fed.us
	Description: A Forest Service proposal to designate motorized travel routes (roads and trails) in areas on federal lands administered by the Forest Service within the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=22692				
Location: UNIT - Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Apache, Greenlee, Navajo. LEGAL - National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests (Forests). National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests (Forests).					

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Alpine Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Bear Wallow Fish Barrier Removal CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:03/2019	07/2019	Timothy Gilloon 928.333.6333 tgilloon@fs.fed.us
	Description: Fish barrier removal in support of native fish restoration activities in Bear Wallow Wilderness Area.				
	Location: UNIT - Alpine Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Greenlee. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bear Wallow Creek, Bear Wallow Wilderness.				

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Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests		Alpine Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region
Black River Restoration Project EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/21/2018	Expected:12/2019	01/2020	Sheila Williams 928-339-5055 sheilawilliams@fs.fed.us
Description: The Black River Landscape Restoration Project is a planning effort designed to restore forest resiliency and ecosystem function in the Project planning area on the Alpine and Springerville Ranger Districts.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52740					
Location: UNIT - Alpine Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Apache, Greenlee. LEGAL - Gila and Salt River Meridian, T4.5 N R29E; T4.5N R30E; T4N R27.5E; T4N R28E; T4NR29N; T4N R30E; T5N R27E; T 5N R28E; T5N R29E; T6N R29E; and T6N R28E. The Black River Restoration Project area is located approximately 12 miles south of Springerville, Arizona within Apache and Greenlee Counties, bordering the Fort Apache Reservation on the west.					
Navapache System Communication Tower CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Paul Schilke 928-339-5052 pschilke@fs.fed.us
Description: Install a less than 50ft tall communication tower (repeater) on Maness Peak adjacent to Forest System Roads 14A and 14G. The repeater would help ensure communication is feasible with isolated communities along the Blue River.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=42976					
Location: UNIT - Alpine Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Apache. LEGAL - T4N, R32E, Sec 17, NE1/4. Alpine Ranger District - near the 14A and 14G road.					

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests	Black Mesa Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R3 - Southwestern Region
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AZGFD Fairchild Draw Elk Enclosure Fence Permit Re-issue CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/22/2019	03/2019	Deborah Roznovak 928-535-7300 dlroznovak@fs.fed.us
	Description: To renew a permit issued to Arizona Game and Fish Department to allow the department to maintain an existing elk enclosure in Fairchild Draw. The fence protects approximately 16 acres of wet meadow east of FR115. Proposed term of permit is 20 years.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52891				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Sections 27 and 34 of T13N, R12E - Gila and Salt River Meridians. Black Mesa Ranger District of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests.					
Forest Lakes Green Waste Transfer Site Permit Renewal CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/30/2018	Expected:01/2019	02/2019	Deborah Roznovak 928-535-7300 dlroznovak@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue a permit to Forest Lakes Owner's Association, Forest Lakes Fire Dept., and Tri-Star / Novo Power to operate a Green Waste Transfer Site adjacent to the community of Forest Lakes on FR99A. The proposed action is to reissue for a 10 year term.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52888				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Section 12, T11N, R14E, Gila and Salt River Meridians. Green waste transfer site is located on an area that was previously permitted to ADOT as a materials storage site. Site is located on Forest Road 99A, immediately adjacent to Forest Lakes, AZ.					
Heber Allotment Analysis EA	- Grazing management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 ohatcher@fs.fed.us
	Description: Allotment analysis to determine re-issuance of a term grazing permit, what grazing management strategy will be implemented in the allotment management plan (AMP), treatments for grassland restoration and maintenance, and placement of tanks and fence.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43442				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - All or portions of T10 1/2N R15 1/2 E, T11N R15E, T12N R15E, T13N R15E, T14N R15E, T14N R16E, T13N R16E, T12N R16E, T11N R16E, T10 1/2N R16E, T11N R17E, T12N R17E, T13N R17E, T14N R17E, T10 1/2N R17E, T. The allotment is located around the community of Heber Overgaard. The southern boundary borders the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and the Northern Boundary is the forest boundary.					

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Heber Wild Horse Territory Plan EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders - Grazing management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 10/2018	Expected:09/2021	09/2021	Timothy Gilloon 928.333.6280 as_portal_comments@fs.fed.us
	Description: To develop a management plan for the Heber Wild Horse Territory				
	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/asnf/landmanagement/resourcemanagement/?cid=FSEPRD534229				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino, Navajo. LEGAL - Portions of T11N, R15E, T11N, R16E, T12N, R16E, G&SRM. South of Heber-Overgaard Arizona, west and south of Hwy 260.					
Navopache Electric Cooperative Trunk Line Addition CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Deborah Roznovak 928-535-7300 dlroznovak@fs.fed.us
	Description: NEC has proposed to amend existing permit, adding new trunk line extending from transfer station on FR488H to Buckskin Road in Heber, AZ. New line would occupy less than 1/4 mile total distance crossing forest, parallel to FR488H in a 20' corridor.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52893				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Sections 17 & 18 of T12N, R17E - Gila and Salt River Meridians. Extending from the NEC transfer station in Oilwell south to Heber, AZ.					
Okya Flat Farm Bill Insect and Disease CE CE *UPDATED*	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/29/2018	Expected:02/2019	03/2019	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 ohatcher@fs.fed.us
	Description: In this project, the USFS proposes to mechanically cut select trees across a ~3,000-acre project area around the community of Heber-Overgaard to reduce insect and disease occurrence and spread in the project area and address departed fire conditions.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55122				
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - T12N, R17E Sections 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 27, 32, 34; T12N, R16E Section 12; T11N, R16E Sections 1, 2, 3; T11N, R17E Sections 5, 6, 20, 11,12, Gila and Salt River Meridian. The project area will focus on the Wildland-Urban Interface around the community of Heber-Overgaard, as identified in the Sitgreaves Community Wildfire Protection Plan.					

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Wilson Right-of-Way CE	- Special use management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2018	Expected:09/2018	09/2018	Deborah Roznovak 928-535-7300 dlroznovak@fs.fed.us
Description: To issue a Right of Way permit for Forest System Roads 9853W and 9854F to allow a private property owner to maintain the road for access to his land.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52892					
Location: UNIT - Black Mesa Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Navajo County Parcel 208-23-004, a 5-acre parcel of private land, surrounded on all sides by National Forest System lands. Located south of Forest Road 46, a county maintained road.					

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests		Clifton Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region
East Eagle/Mud Springs Hazardous Fuels Reduction EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/24/2018	Expected:03/2019	03/2019	Justin Thompson (928) 687-8600 comments-southwestern-apache-sitgreaves-clifton@fs.fed.us
Description: Hazardous fuels reduction project to maintain and restore fire adapted ecosystems to their natural fire regimes condition classes, using vegetation treatments, mechanical and/or hand thinning and pretreatments, prescribed fire and managed wildfire.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50358					
Location: UNIT - Clifton Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Greenlee. LEGAL - Not Applicable. 91,029 acres bounded by the District boundary to the north, and west (along the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation), the east by Hwy 191, and the south by FR 515 (Pine Flat Rd).					
Stateline Range Allotments Analysis EA	- Grazing management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 11/01/2018	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Kent Ellett 928-687-1301 kellett@fs.fed.us
Description: Allotment analysis for development of Allotment Management Plans					
Location: UNIT - Clifton Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Greenlee. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Hickey, Blackjack, Lop Ear, Pleasant Valley, Copperas, Alma Mesa Allotments.					

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Wildbunch Allotment Management Plan (AMP) - 0103 EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 02/07/2019 02/07/2019	02/2019	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 ohatcher@fs.fed.us
	Description: AMP analysis for future livestock mgmt.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=5636				
Location: UNIT - Clifton Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Greenlee. LEGAL - T11S and T12S, R31E, G&SRBM. Confluence of Blue & San Francisco Rivers & continues N. approx. 7 mi. to just N. of Wildbunch Canyon & FR475.					

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Lakeside Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region		
Apache County Schools Fiber-Optic Project CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/28/2019	03/2019	Orry Hatcher 928-368-2108 ohatcher@fs.fed.us
	Description: The USFS is proposing authorization of a fiber broadband solution to underserved schools as well as public libraries in Apache County. Crews will attach the communication line to the existing overhead 69-kilovolt (kV) line.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55279				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Apache. LEGAL - Sections 34, 35, 25, and 26, Township 9 North, Range 24 East, and Sections 4, 8, 9, 17, 18, 19, 30, and 33, Township 9 North, Range 25 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline and Meridian. The project area consists of a total of 220 acres of land under ASNFs jurisdiction, which is composed of a linear right-of-way corridor that is approximately 9 miles long and 100 feet wide.					
City of Show Low Buried Utilities Special Use Permit Reissuance CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/06/2016	Expected:05/2018	05/2018	Tina Sorenson (928) 368-2100 ext 2119 tsorenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue a Special Use Permit for 20 years for the maintenance of the buried water/sewer lines ranging from 1-8 inches, r-o-w width 20 feet. These lines are part of the Show Low City Municipal Water System and will serve present and future landowners				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50546				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sections 11 & 14, T10N, R21E Gila & Salt River Meridian.					

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Four Springs Trail Realignment CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/31/2016	Expected:06/2018	06/2018	Lorna Mcneil-Cox 928-368-2117 lmneilcox@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reroute approximately 4.5 miles of the Four Springs Trail to improve trail sustainability, mitigate erosion and resource damage issues, and improve non-motorized recreational opportunities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48552				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Apache. LEGAL - T9N R24E Sections 3, 11, 14, 15, 19, 22, and 23. The Four Springs Trail section from Lake Mountain to the Mud Springs area.					
Lakeside District Office Conveyance EA	- Land ownership management - Facility management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Randall Chavez 928-368-2106 rchavez02@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analyze NF land at the Lakeside Ranger Station for sale under FS Facility Realignment & Enhancement Act (FSFREA, PL 109-54). This also involves analyzing the location of a new ranger station. There will be 2 decisions from this analysis.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=33916				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - T9N R22E Portions of Section 12-14 & 23, G&SR BM. Lakeside Rgr. Station and Lakeside CG within the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside. New site near junction Penrod & Porter Mtn. Rds.					
Lakeside Special Use Permit Reissuances- 2018 Group 1 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/30/2019	01/2019	Tina Sorenson (928) 368-5111 ext 763 tsorenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: This is a grouped NEPA analysis of special use permits that are set to expire, with no changes to the authorized facilities or increases in the scope of authorized activities. Additional details can be found in scoping documents on project page.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54877				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. See map documents- permits apply to various locations on the Lakeside Ranger District.					

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Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Lakeside Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
Pinetop-Lakeside Sanitary District Special Use Permit Reissuance CE	- Land management planning - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/18/2017	Expected:04/2018	04/2018	Tina Sorenson (928) 368-5111 ext 763 tsorenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue a Special Use Authorization for up to 30 years for a sewer collection system which includes: Lift Station, 6-18" pressure lines, 8-15" gravity sewer mains, a small outbuilding to house standby equipment, and an access road.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52884				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lakeside Ranger District.					
Show Low Airport Mitigation Wetlands Special Use Permit Reissuance CE	- Land management planning - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/18/2017	Expected:04/2018	04/2018	Tina Sorenson (928) 368-5111 ext 763 tsorenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue existing Special Use Permit that provides authorization for a created wetland north of the Show Low airport, the wetland enhancement at South Marsh, and access roads to each area. Project area total 2.5 acres of land and .3 miles of road.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52883				
Location: UNIT - Lakeside Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Navajo. LEGAL - Sections 4, 9, and 16 of T10 N, R22 E, Gila & Salt River Meridians. North of Show Low Airport, Navajo County, Arizona.					

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