



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2021 to 03/31/2021

Kaibab National Forest

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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 .					

R3 - Southwestern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

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Arizona National Scenic Trail Comprehensive Plan EA	- Recreation management - Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2016 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 05/2020	Expected:12/2020	01/2021	Laura White 520-388-8328 laura.white3@usda.gov
	Description: The comprehensive plan will establish the administrative objectives, policies, processes, and management guidelines necessary to fulfill the legislative requirements for national scenic trails under the National Trails System Act.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49535				
Location: UNIT - Coronado National Forest All Units, Kaibab National Forest All Units, Coconino National Forest All Units, Tonto National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Arizona National Scenic Trail goes from the Coronado National Monument to the Utah Border at Vermillion Cliffs- 800 miles south to north across the State of Arizona.					
Prescott College Academic Outfitter and Guide Priority Use (2015-2025) CE	- Recreation management - Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Julie Rowe 928-203-7516 jrowe@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to authorize Prescott College to conduct academic field courses year-round across forests in Arizona including adventure education, biology, human ecology, natural history, physical geography, & field ecology.				
	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.					

Kaibab National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R3 - Southwestern Region

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Kaibab National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)			R3 - Southwestern Region		
Forest-Wide Outfitter and Guide Capacity Analysis and Needs Assessment EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Chelsea Muise 928-635-8275 chelsea.muise@usda.gov
	Description: A forest-wide capacity analysis and needs assessment to identify potential new uses and new outfitter and guide operators and considering specific actions to more effectively manage uses in areas that experience high use.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58230				
Location: UNIT - Kaibab National Forest All Units. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project falls within the legal boundaries of the Kaibab National Forest.					

Kaibab National Forest	North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region	
Burnt Corral Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/25/2020	Expected:04/2021	05/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: The purposes of the Burnt Corral project is to improve forest health and vigor, while improving habitat conditions which are more resilient to change in the event of wildfire and/or other climatic condition changes. Project = 28,090 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44236				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Planning stage - General Description: Townships 35 - 37 North, Ranges 1 West to 1 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian, (Coconino County, Arizona). The Burnt Corral project area lies in the southwest portion of the Kaibab Plateau (i.e., south-southwest of Lookout Canyon and FS Road 22) on the North Kaibab Ranger District, Kaibab National Forest.					

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Kaibab National Forest North Kaibab Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R3 - Southwestern Region
House Rock Wildlife Area (HRWA) Bison Management Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Land ownership management - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2021	Expected:02/2021	02/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8100 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Construct a new wildlife water in the northwest portion of the HRWA, and rebuild/re-establish, construct and install approximately 12 miles of existing and new pasture fence-line (including associated cattle-guards) within the HRWA.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58903				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Townships 35 and 36 North, Ranges 4 and 5 East, Gila and Salt River Baseline and Meridian (Coconino County, AZ). The House Rock Wildlife Area (HRWA) is located within the southeast corner of the Kaibab National Forest - North Kaibab Ranger District (east of Saddle Mtn. Wilderness Area) in SW House Rock Valley.					
Kaibab Plateau (NKRD) Wireless Communications Sites Development -aka VT & Telephone Hill Comm. Sites CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/06/2018	Expected:01/2021	02/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: Construct or place two new 180 foot tall communication towers on the North Kaibab Ranger District to provide reliable wireless telephone/emergency service for the Highway 67 corridor from Jacob lake to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon National Park.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52587				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - The VT Hill site is in the SE 1/4, Section 26, T35N, R2E. and the Telephone Hill site is in the SE 1/4 of Section 3, T36N, R2E, Gila and Salt River Base Meridian. (Coconino County, Arizona). VT Hill site is near De Motte Park, at F.S. VT Hill Comm. site (~ 20 miles south of Jacob Lake, AZ); Telephone Hill site is on Telephone Hill (~ 12 miles south of Jacob Lake, AZ); in Coconino County.					

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Kaibab Plateau Ecological Restoration Project (KPEP) EA *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 11/18/2020	12/2020	David Vincelette 928-643-8143 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: The Forest Service is proposing vegetation thinning within a 518,000-acre project area on the NKRD by using prescribed fire and small-dia. tree thinning resulting in 319,000 acres of fuels treatments, and forest vegetation and watershed improvements.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54226				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project includes approximately 518,000 acres of the Kaibab Plateau on the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest. Wilderness and sensitive areas will be excluded from treatment.					
Mangum Fire Emergency Actions and Rehabilitation Project CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/25/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8100 david.vincelette@usda.gov
	Description: This project will remove/mitigate hazard trees along 40 miles of FS Roads and 50 miles of fence-lines, within 3,000 acres of moderate-to-severe burned area of the Mangum Fire.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58909				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - The project lies within the following Townships and Ranges: T37N, R1W & R1E; T38N, R1W, R1E & R2E; T39N, R1E & R2E; T40N, R1E & R2E; Gila and Salt River Baseline & Meridian. (Coconino County, AZ). The project area is located within the NW to north-central part of the NKRD, approximately 23 to 30 miles S/SE of Fredonia (W-SW of the Jacob Lake area, and N-NE of Hwy 89-A) on Forest Service land.					

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Warm Springs Tank to Mangum Springs, to Big Springs Waterline Project CE *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Land ownership management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/01/2017	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	David Vincelette 928-643-8100 djvincelette@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project will install 8.5 miles (/-) of new waterline from Warm Springs tank to Mangum Springs (Phase 1~6 .8 miles), to Big Springs (Phase 2~1.7 miles), to improve the Jacob Lake public water system and associated communications and control line.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47875				
Location: UNIT - North Kaibab Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Starting in Sec.17, T38N, R1E, running 1.8 miles west (parallel to FSR 462), thence running 4.7 miles south (parallel to FSR 422) to Mangum Camp, thence running south 1.7 miles south to Big Springs.					

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Kaibab National Forest Williams Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R3 - Southwestern Region		
Drake Pozzolan Project EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/11/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2021	Expected:11/2021	11/2021	Jeremy Haines 928-635-8367 comments-southwestern-kaibab@usda.gov
	Description: Drake Cement is proposing to mine natural pozzolan (a concrete additive) on mining claims it holds on the Williams Ranger District. The proposed mine is situated in and around Frenchy Pit, a location of previous mining and quarrying.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58789				
Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - T23N, R3E, Section 35, Gila and Salt River Meridian. In and around Frenchy Pit off of Forest Road 74 on the Williams Ranger District.					
Partridge Creek Allotment Livestock Authorization EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/25/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Marcos Roybal 928-635-8331 marcos.roybal@usda.gov
	Description: The purpose of this project is to determine if the KNF should authorize livestock grazing for the Partridge Creek Allotment.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56955				
Location: UNIT - Williams Ranger District. STATE - Arizona. COUNTY - Coconino. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Williams Ranger District.					

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