



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2021 to 03/31/2021

Bridger-Teton National Forest

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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
<p>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</p> <p>Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214</p>					
<p>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.</p>					

Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

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Amendments to Land Management Plans Regarding Sage-grouse Conservation EIS *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/02/2019	Expected:12/2020	01/2021	John Shivik 801-625-5667 johnshivik@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is considering amending its land management plans to address new and evolving issues arising since implementing sage-grouse plans in 2015. This project is in cooperation with the USDI Bureau of Land Management.				
	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r4/home/?cid=stelprd3843381				
Location: UNIT - Ashley National Forest All Units, Boise National Forest All Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest All Units, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest All Units, Dixie National Forest All Units, Fishlake National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest All Units, Manti-La Sal National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache All Units. STATE - Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming. COUNTY - Jackson, Moffat, Routt, Adams, Blaine, Bonneville, Camas, Caribou, Cassia, Elmore, Fremont, Madison, Churchill, Clark, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lincoln, Nye, Pershing, Washoe, White Pine, Beaver, Box Elder, Cache, Carbon, Daggett, Davis, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Morgan, Piute, Rich, Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Summit, Tooele, Uintah, Utah, Wasatch, Washington, Wayne, Weber, Platte, Sublette, Teton, Weston, Albany, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Crook, Laramie, Lincoln, Natrona, Niobrara. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sagebrush lands in National Forests of Nevada, Utah, southern Idaho, southwest Montana, southwest & south-central Wyoming and northern Colorado.					

Bridger-Teton National Forest	Big Piney Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region			
Cottonwood Aquatic Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2020	Expected:01/2021	06/2021	Kate Olsen kate.h.olsen@usda.gov
	Description: Improve hydrologic connectivity and aquatic organism passage throughout the North and South Cottonwoods watersheds. Habitat improvements including culvert replacement/removal will occur where road network is impeding or impounding natural flow path.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59139				
Location: UNIT - Big Piney Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Throughout the North and South Cottonwood Creek watersheds on the Big Piney Ranger District.					

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Hoback Ranches Gravel Pit CE *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/30/2020	Expected:02/2021	03/2021	Justin Snyder 307 367 5740 justin.snyder@usda.gov
Description: Hoback Ranches Service Improvement District (HRSID), proposes to extract, crush, and stockpile gravel at the northern end of the North Fork Fisherman Creek gravel pit. Total surface disturbance would be 5 acres.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56596					
Location: UNIT - Big Piney Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette. LEGAL - Not Applicable. NW of Section 21, Township 36 North, Range 113 West, 6th PM.					

Bridger-Teton National Forest	Buffalo Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R4 - Intermountain Region	
Blackrock Creek OHV Bridge CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/01/2020	Expected:01/2021	05/2021	David Wilkinson 307-739-5544 david.l.wilkinson@usda.gov
Description: A bridge would be constructed on FS Trail #6072 allowing 64 inch wide motorized vehicles to cross Blackrock Creek, winter and summer to connect with FS road #30100, protecting the designated Wild and Scenic Blackrock Crk.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57948					
Location: UNIT - Buffalo Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. OHV trail connecting the Togwotee Mountain Lodge to the Hatchet/Flagstaff Road system (via FS Rd #30100)away from Hwy 26/287.					
Blackrock Creek Restoration CE *UPDATED*	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/15/2020	Expected:01/2021	05/2021	Kelly Owens 307-7395598 kellyjowens@fs.fed.us
Description: Replace and realign dilapidated headgate on Hatchet Ditch; Replace riprap along levee with bioengineered bed and bank stability structures, install fish screen, consistent with Blackrock Creek's Wild and Scenic River designation.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58042					
Location: UNIT - Buffalo Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - 45 N 112 W Sec 31. Blackrock Creek, near ranger district office.					

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Gaffney Ditch Realignment CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/10/2020	Expected:01/2021	04/2021	Kelly Owens 307-739-5598 kelly.owens@usda.gov
Description: The Gaffney Irrigation Ditch would be realigned away from actively eroding Buffalo Fork River bank to limit potential for infrastructure damage and maintain water delivery systems, and include fully re-grading and re-planting with native vegetation.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59101					
Location: UNIT - Buffalo Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - 12T 550059mE 4853236mN. 115 ft to the west of the existing ditch and parallel to Highway 287 near Moran, WY.					
Heart 6 Ranch Sled Dog Rides CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/14/2020	12/2020	Richard Taylor 307-543-3911 richard.taylor@usda.gov
Description: For the winter 2020-2021 season, the Forest is evaluating a Heart 6 Ranch proposal to utilize a portion of their existing snowmobile service days for sled dog rides on the currently approved designated route upstream along Buffalo Fork River.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59103					
Location: UNIT - Buffalo Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Designated snowmobile trail between Heart 6 and Fir Creek Ranches, in Buffalo Valley near Moran, WY.					

Bridger-Teton National Forest	Greys River Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R4 - Intermountain Region	
Afton Star Power Line Special Use Permit CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/29/2020	Expected:11/2020	11/2020	Kara Purser 307-886-5306 kara.purser@usda.gov
Description: The Town of Afton is proposing to become the entity responsible for the historic Afton Star structure on a hillside above town. In this first phase of their proposal, they are seeking to install underground power from private to existing structure.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59037					
Location: UNIT - Greys River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Lincoln. LEGAL - T32 N R118 W Section 29 42.730348N 110.911740W. Directly east of the Town of Afton on hillslope just north of Swift Creek Canyon.					

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Wickiup Knoll Communications Site Expansion CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2021	Expected:03/2021	06/2021	Kara Purser 307-886-5306 kara.purser@usda.gov
	Description: To add an 80 ft. tower capable of a 20 ft. extension, a propane tank, an 8 x 16 foot generator building for emergency power and an 11 x 20 foot equipment shelter. This would use 100 x 100 feet within the current site footprint.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57773				
	Location: UNIT - Greys River Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Lincoln. LEGAL - Section 20, T31N, R118W. Wickiup Ridge, east of Osmond, WY, near trail #3191.				

Bridger-Teton National Forest	Jackson Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R4 - Intermountain Region	
Gros Ventre Corridor Livestock Trailing (formerly Robinson Trailing) CE *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/15/2020	Expected:02/2021	04/2021	Martina Keil 307-543-3909 martina.keil@usda.gov
	Description: Livestock trailing activities along Gros Ventre Road to private lands. May include temporary facilities and overnighting of herd on USFS lands. This review covers potential trailing requests from different operators. Each requires specific plan.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58044				
	Location: UNIT - Jackson Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Gros Ventre Road, outside Kelly, WY.				
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort Backcountry Guided Skiing Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/07/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	Jason Wilmot 307-739-5542 jason.wilmot@usda.gov
	Description: Jackson Hole Mountain Resort submitted a proposal to increase the number of guided backcountry skiing user days within the boundary of its current outfitter guide permit area, from 1,200 to 2,400 user days.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57618				
	Location: UNIT - Jackson Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, Teton Village, WY.				

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Proposed Dog Leash Amendment CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/13/2020	Expected:01/2021	02/2021	Timothy Farris 307-739-5414 timothy.farris@usda.gov
Description: The Jackson Ranger District is proposing to amend the leash law requirements enacted in 2016 in the Cache Creek, Nelson Drive and Teton Pass areas to be more consistent throughout the year.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58056					
Location: UNIT - Jackson Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Cache Creek, Nelson Drive, and Teton Pass Summit trailheads.					
Snow King Mountain Resort On-mountain Improvements EIS *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 10/09/2020	Expected:02/2021	02/2021	Sean McGinness 307-739-5400 sean.mcginness@usda.gov
Description: Snow King Resort proposes to update facilities and develop winter & summer recreation opportunities- includes permit boundary expansion, guest service building at summit, additional lifts & ski runs, bike park and trails. FEIS & draft ROD available.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54201					
Location: UNIT - Jackson Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Snow King Mountain Resort, Jackson, Teton County, WY 83001.					
Upper Gros Ventre Wildlife Habitat Enhancement CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2021	Expected:04/2021	09/2021	Jason Wilmot 307-739-5542 jason.wilmot@usda.gov
Description: To utilize prescribed burning for the regeneration of aspen stands, reinvigoration of forb communities, and the maintenance of grassland meadows in year-round habitat, winter range, and migration routes for a variety of big game species.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58474					
Location: UNIT - Jackson Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Teton. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Gros Ventre Drainage. Head of Haystack Creek, near Bear Paw Pass.					

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Grazing Authorization for Muddy Canyon Allotment EA	- Grazing management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Dave Booth 307-367-4326 dbooth@fs.fed.us
	Description: Forest Service decided to close Temple Creek and Bunion Creek allotments and proposes to reauthorize livestock grazing on Muddy Canyon Allotment. This project is currently on hold.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45980				
	Location: UNIT - Pinedale Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Southern Wind River Range.				
Grazing Authorization for Sweetwater, Blucher Creek and East Squaw Creek Cattle and Horse Allotments EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 12/12/2019	Expected:04/2021	05/2021	Dave Booth (307)367-5754 dbooth@usda.gov
	Description: Proposed reauthorization of grazing on the Sweetwater, Blucher Creek, and East Squaw Creek Cattle and Horse Allotments. Public comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment are being reviewed and responded to.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43343				
	Location: UNIT - Pinedale Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette, Fremont. LEGAL - T29, 30 and 31N; R101, 102, 103 and 104W. southern Wind River Range.				
New Fork Lake Dam Project EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/26/2020	Expected:03/2021	05/2021	Trevlyn Robertson 307-886-5317 trevlyn.robertson@usda.gov
	Description: New Fork Lake Irrigation District has proposed to rehabilitate the New Fork Lake Dam at current location to meet statewide safety requirements and increase water storage to improve the availability of legally-secured water to downstream users.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57080				
	Location: UNIT - Pinedale Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette. LEGAL - Not Applicable. New Fork Lake area east of Pinedale, WY.				

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Union Pass Farm Bill Salvage Project CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2021	Expected:09/2021	09/2021	Dundonald Cochrane III 307-276-5814 dundonald.cochraneiii@usda.gov
Description: Commercial timber harvests in a suite of silvicultural treatments using mechanized equipment; pre- and non-commercial thinning to improve stand condition, including whitebark restoration; aquatic organism passage and road re-alignment on FR370637.					
Location: UNIT - Pinedale Ranger District. STATE - Wyoming. COUNTY - Sublette. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Union Pass area north of Pinedale and south of Dubois, WY.					

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