



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2020 to 06/30/2020

### Dixie National Forest

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#### Projects Occurring Nationwide

<b>Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A</b> EIS *NEW LISTING*	- 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
	<b>Description:</b> 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				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations will be applicable to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the United States Mining Law.				

#### Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)

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<b>Projects Occurring in more than one Region (excluding Nationwide)</b>					
<b>Amendments to Land Management Plans Regarding Sage-grouse Conservation</b> EIS  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/02/2019	Expected:07/2020	07/2020	John Shivik 801-625-5667 johnshivik@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r4/home/?cid=stelprd3843381">https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r4/home/?cid=stelprd3843381</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					

<b>Dixie National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)</b>				<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>	
<b>Dixie National Forest Outfitter Guide Special Use Priority Permits</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/09/2020	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	McCall Davis 435-896-1038 msdavis@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Dixie National Forest Outfitter Guide Special Use Priority Permits. Issuance of priority permits to outfitter guides that have previously operated on the DNF.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57893">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57893</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Dixie National Forest All Units. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield, Iron, Kane, Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Activities would occur throughout the Dixie National Forest as permitted.					

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<b>Dixie National Forest Special Use Permit Reauthorizations</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/09/2019	Expected:04/2020	04/2020	Amy Sutton 719-221-4523 amylsutton@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Re-issuance of Special Use Permits throughout the Dixie National Forest.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57084">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57084</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Dixie National Forest All Units. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield, Iron, Kane, Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The permits would be re-authorized throughout the DNF.					

<b>Dixie National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>					<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
<b>Outfitter and Guide Special Use Permit Issuance</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Leslie Fonger 435-676-9360 lesliefonger@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reissue priority permits and issue new permits for outfitting and guiding.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=31662">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=31662</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District, Escalante Ranger District, Powell Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield, Iron. Escalante, Powell and Cedar City Ranger Districts.					
<b>South Central Communications Hogback to Boulder and Panguitch Lake Projects</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/30/2020	Expected:05/2020	05/2020	Jennifer Green 435-865-3729 jennifergreen@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> South Central Communications requests a right of way permit to place fiber optic cable in several locations on the Dixie National Forest. The line would primarily follow an existing road corridor and be trenched underground.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56716">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56716</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District, Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Escalante District - Hogback to Boulder, Cedar City Ranger District - near Panguitch Lake.					

<b>Dixie National Forest Cedar City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>	<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
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<b>Dixie National Forest Cedar City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
<b>Pass Creek Water Development Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/02/2019	Expected:05/2020	07/2020	Vaughn Thacker 719-852-5941 vjthacker@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project would drill a well in the Pass Creek area to provide water to wildlife and livestock in the area. A well will replace the current spring box and be attached to existing pipelines and tanks. Guzzlers may be installed depending on need.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57205">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57205</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - T36 S. R 7 W., section 2. Pass Creek Watershed, a tributary of the Sevier River System, approximately 1.5 miles due east of Panguitch Lake. Located on FSR 070 approximately 1.2 miles south of the junction with State Hwy 143.					

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<b>Dixie National Forest Escalante Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
<b>Chriss/Deer Creek Trail Connector</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Cindy Calbaum 435-826-5425 ccalbaum@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Develop a new trail connector between the Chriss Lake and Deer Creek Trails. This will provide users with the option of a loop trail.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40235">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40235</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. Off State Route 12 approximately 9 miles north of Boulder, UT, between trail numbers 34015 and 34016.					
<b>Coyote Hollow Pockets Pipeline</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/05/2019	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Jessica Warner 435-826-5433 jwarner@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The purpose of this project is to improve wildlife habitat by increasing livestock distribution on the Coyote Hollow allotment. There is a need to add & bury eight miles of water pipeline and a solar pump through the Pacer and Antimony Creek pastures				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53980">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53980</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - T32S R1W sections 2,3,4,10,11,12,13, and T32S R1E section 18. Coyote Hollow Allotment, Pacer and Antimony Creek Pastures.					

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<b>Dixie National Forest Escalante Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
<b>Escalante Ranger District Eastside Allotments</b> EA	- Grazing management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jessica Warner 435-826-5433 jwarner@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The purpose of this project is to continue to authorize livestock grazing in a manner that will continue to meet or satisfactorily move Dixie National Forest resources toward desired condition and meet Forest Plan objectives.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47936">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47936</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area includes the grazing allotments Boulder, Sand Creek and West Deer Creek.					
<b>Hungry Creek Farm Bill Project</b> CE  *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/31/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Terry DeLay 435-826-5401 tdelay@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposed Project Description: approximately 3,000 acres in the Dixie National Forest-Escalante Ranger District would receive vegetation treatments to improve forest health, reduce the threat of insect disease, and reduce fire threat and risk.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56851">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56851</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T35S R1E Section 13 and 24; and T35S R2E Sections 7-8, and 14-23.					
<b>Jacob's Valley Vegetation Management Project</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 02/04/2020	10/2020	Buddie Carroll 435-826-5421 buddiecarroll@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project proposes to address forest health at both the stand and landscape level to maintain and enhance ecosystem function, watershed characteristics, visual aesthetics, recreational and implementation of the motorized travel plan.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48406">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48406</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located approximately 19 miles north of Escalante, Utah on land surrounding Jacobs Reservoir.					

<b>Dixie National Forest Pine Valley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>	<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
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<b>Dixie National Forest Pine Valley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>		
<b>North Hills Wild Horse Water Development Project</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/03/2020	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Randolph Beckstrand 435-652-3101 rbeckstrand@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The project would provide additional water resources (one guzzler and two water catchments) to improve the distribution of wild horses and increase forage availability throughout the North Hills Joint Management Area.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57904">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57904</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Pine Valley Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Iron, Washington. LEGAL - T 36 S., R. 18 W, sections 14, 21-22 and 36. The water improvements would be on FS land within the North Hills Wild Horse Joint Management Area, 2 miles northwest of Enterprise, Utah.					
<b>Pine Valley Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/13/2019	Expected:05/2020	09/2020	Lyndsay Fonger 435-652-3172 lfonger@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The intent of this project is to improve habitat conditions for wildlife species associated with sagebrush and pinyon-juniper communities and to trend the existing habitat conditions to meet desired conditions established by the Forest Plan.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57110">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57110</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Pine Valley Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Iron, Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 320,000 acres of the Pine Valley Ranger District are under review for treatments including the 250,000 acres in IRA outside of wilderness areas.					

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<b>Dixie National Forest Powell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>		
<b>Paunsaugunt Plateau Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/17/2018	Expected:05/2020	07/2020	Michael Golden 435-865-3726 mgolden@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project would maintain and improve the status of the Paunsaugunt boreal toad population and other key wildlife species by increasing the availability of woody browse, such as aspen, adjacent to current, historic and potential use areas.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53784">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53784</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Powell Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Kane. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Treatment areas are all on the Paunsaugunt Plateau beginning approximately 14 miles southwest of Bryce Canyon City, UT and extending south.					

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<b>Dixie National Forest Powell Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R4 - Intermountain Region</b>
<b>Powell Travel Management Project</b> EIS	- Road management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 01/08/2015 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 01/2020	Expected:06/2020	06/2020	Christopher Wehrli 435-896-1053 clwehrli@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The Powell Ranger District of the Dixie National Forest is proposing to revise its system of motorized roads and trails. Some of the activities are proposed in Inventoried Roadless Areas.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44203">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44203</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Powell Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield, Kane, Piute. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Powell Ranger District.					

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