



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2021 to 03/31/2021

Dixie 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
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 .					

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.					

Dixie National Forest Cedar City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region				
Bear Flat Aspen Restoration Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/18/2020	Expected:12/2020	06/2021	Robert Lopez 435-865-3271 robert.r.lopez@usda.gov
	Description: The Cedar City Ranger District, Dixie National Forest, proposes treatment of approximately 135 acres to restore the health and vigor of aspen stands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58108				
Location: UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T 36 S R 9 W Sections 10,11,14,15. Watersheds: 6th Field HUCs, Summit Creek, Dry Lakes Creek, Ashdown Creek					

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Pass Creek Water Development Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 12/03/2020	12/2020	Vaughn Thacker 719-852-5941 vjthacker@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57205				
Location: 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.					
South Central Communications Panguitch Lake South Project CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/30/2020	Expected:12/2020	12/2020	Jennifer Green 435-865-3729 jennifergreen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Placement of a fiber optic line on the south side of Panguitch Lake. Line will be trenched in below ground.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58740				
Location: UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. South of Panguitch Lake, UT.					
Willis Farm Bill Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2020	Expected:02/2021	03/2021	Robert Lopez 435-865-3271 robert.r.lopez@usda.gov
	Description: Vegetation treatment and harvest of trees affected and stands threatened by insect and disease and wildfire potential.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59293				
Location: UNIT - Cedar City Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Iron. LEGAL - T38S R7W Sections 17-20, and 21; T38S R8W Sections 13-15, 22-27, 35-36 and T39S R8W Section 1 of the Salt Lake Base and Meridian. The project area is located about 30 miles southeast of Cedar City, UT, near Duck Creek.					

Dixie National Forest Escalante Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region
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Coyote Hollow Pockets Pipeline CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/05/2019	Expected:01/2021	03/2021	Jessica Warner 435-826-5433 jwarner@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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 Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53980				
	Location: 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.				
Upper Valley Guzzlers CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/05/2020	Expected:12/2020	02/2021	Lisa Young 435-826-5431 lisa.young@usda.gov
	Description: In 2017 the Dixie NF signed a DN/FONSI for the Upper Valley Landscape Improvement Project. Three guzzlers were scoped and analyzed but not carried to the decision due to no cultural surveys for the guzzler locations. SHPO concurrence is now complete. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59082				
	Location: UNIT - Escalante Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Garfield. LEGAL - T37S R1E Sect 4 and T36S R1E Sections 35 and 36. Upper Valley, south of Highway 12 and north of Canaan Peak.				

Dixie National Forest Pine Valley Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R4 - Intermountain Region
North Hills Wild Horse Water Development Project CE *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Completed	Actual: 12/14/2020	12/2020	Randolph Beckstrand 435-652-3101 rbeckstrand@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57904				
	Location: 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.				

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Pine Valley Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/13/2019	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Lyndsay Fonger 435-652-3172 lfonger@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57110				
Location: 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.					
Spring Hollow and Grass Valley Mountain Biking Project EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/19/2020	Expected:02/2021	03/2021	Charity Jessop 435-651-5970 Charity.Jessop@usda.gov
	Description: The Dixie National Forest proposes to construct two non-motorized mountain biking trail networks in the Pine Valley Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58618				
Location: UNIT - Pine Valley Ranger District. STATE - Utah. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The proposed Spring Hollow Network is situated to the north of St. George, Utah and the Red Cliffs Reserve. The proposed Grass Valley Network is situated to the northwest of Pine Valley, Utah.					

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Paunsaugunt Plateau Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/17/2018	Expected:12/2020	12/2020	Michael Golden 435-865-3726 mgolden@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53784				
Location: 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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