



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

04/01/2020 to 06/30/2020

Payette National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A EIS <p style="text-align: center; color: blue; font-weight: bold;">*NEW LISTING*</p>	- 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 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)

Rapid River Ecosystem Maintenance Burn CE <p style="text-align: center; color: blue; font-weight: bold;">*UPDATED*</p>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Dustin Doane 208-347-0336 dustin.doane@usda.gov
Description: To restore wildlife habitat and improve ecosystem health in the Rapid River watershed.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56471					
Location: UNIT - Salmon River Ranger District, New Meadows Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams, Idaho. LEGAL - Not Applicable. NFS lands among the northern portion of the New Meadow RD, west of Hwy 95. NFS lands among the southern portion of the Salmon River RD, west of Hwy 95. Private lands within and adjacent to NFS lands.					

R4 - Intermountain Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
R4 - Intermountain Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
South Fork Restoration and Access Management Plan EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/18/2019	Expected:06/2020	07/2020	Anthony Botello 208-634-0601 abbotello@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will address both restoration and public and private access needs to determine the minimum road system, improve watershed condition, provide ATV and motorcycle trail opportunities, and provide dispersed camping and parking opportunities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51257				
Location: UNIT - McCall Ranger District, Cascade Ranger District, Krassel Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Valley. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is the South Fork Salmon River corridor on the Payette NF with a short extension on the SFSR Rd on the Boise NF, located generally east of McCall, Idaho in Valley and Idaho Counties.					
Stibnite Gold Plan of Operations EIS EIS *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 06/05/2017 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/2020	Expected:09/2021	09/2021	Brian Harris 208-634-0784 bdharris@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest is processing a plan of operations for open pit mining, processing, new road construction, utility upgrades, reclamation, and restoration at the Stibnite mine site.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50516				
Location: UNIT - Cascade Ranger District, Krassel Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Stibnite mining district is located in Valley County Idaho, east of the community of Yellow Pine near the East Fork South Fork Salmon River.					
Payette National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					
R4 - Intermountain Region					
Wildlife Conservation Strategy (Forest Plan Amendment) [101] EIS *UPDATED*	- Land management planning - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Patricia Anderson Soucek 208-634-0812 psoucek@fs.fed.us
	Description: Short- and long-term management strategies and priorities for maintaining and restoring habitats associated with terrestrial wildlife species.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=28633				
Location: UNIT - Payette National Forest All Units. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams, Idaho, Valley, Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Payette National Forest.					

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Payette National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R4 - Intermountain Region
Taylor Outfitting LLC. DBA McCall Angler Special Use Permit Reissuance CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 01/06/2020	03/2020	Ann Hadlow 208-634-0401 ahadlow@fs.fed.us
	Description: Taylor Outfitting requests issuance of a new special use authorization for outfitter and guided day fishing trips during the general fishing season as identified by IDFG Regulations. This permit would replace the original permit terminated: 12/31/18.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57184				
Location: UNIT - McCall Ranger District, New Meadows Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams, Idaho, Valley. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lake:Coffee Cup,Disappointment,Ellis,GrassMtn,Frog,Hazard,Hidden,Horton,Lloyds,Scribner,Serene,Slab Butte.Reservoir:Brundage,Granite,Goose,Upper Payette.SFSR:China-Station.Creeks:Goose,Hazard,Hard.					
Granite Meadows EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 10/31/2018 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2020	Expected:11/2020	01/2021	Rita Bennett 208-347-0325 rita.l.bennett@usda.gov
	Description: This is the fifth project within the Payette National Forest's Weiser River - Little Salmon Headwaters Project area and part of the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54029				
Location: UNIT - McCall Ranger District, New Meadows Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams, Idaho, Valley. LEGAL - T18 N., R.2 E., S 2, 3; T.19 N., R.2 E., S 1-5, 9-16,21-28,34-36; T.19 N., R.3E. S 2-10, 15-22, 28-30; T.20 N., R.1 E., S 3-9, 13, 17-20, 24, 29-31; T.20 N., R.1 W., S 1, 12, 13, 24, 25, 36; T.20 N.,. The Granite Meadows Project is located north of New Meadows, Idaho, and north and west of McCall, Idaho.					

Payette National Forest Council Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region
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Cuprum Water Diversion CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/02/2018	Expected:07/2020	07/2020	Denise Cobb 208-634-0446 dfcobb@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of a new special use permit to Cuprum Benevolent Preservation Society for use of 120 feet of metal corrugated pipe that diverts water from Indian Creek to the concrete water diversion for irrigation, domestic, and fire protection use.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54071				
Location: UNIT - Council Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams. LEGAL - T20N, R3W section 10; Boise Meridian Adams County, Idaho. . The diversion is located in T20N, R3W section 10 at the end of the Cuprum town boundary on the Council Ranger District of the Payette National Forest.					
Huckleberry Landscape Restoration Project EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 02/28/2020	Expected:06/2020	07/2020	Ronda Bishop 208-253-0100 rmbishop@fs.fed.us
	Description: This is the forth project within the Payette National Forest's Weiser River - Little Salmon Headwaters Project area and part of the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program. The Project area is approx. 67,000 acres on the Council RD.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50218				
Location: UNIT - Council Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bear/Cuprum Area on the Council Ranger District.					

Payette National Forest	Krassel Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region
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Payette National Forest Krassel Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R4 - Intermountain Region
Big Creek Hazardous Fuel Reduction EA	- Fuels management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 12/05/2019	Expected:06/2020	06/2020	Anthony Botello 208-634-0601 abbotello@fs.fed.us
	Description: Community protection for Edwardsburg/Big Creek area using commercial and noncommercial treatments and Rx fire to reduce hazardous fuels. Treatments are on USFS lands along public roads and adjacent to private property, outside of wilderness.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54260				
Location: UNIT - Krassel Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho, Valley. LEGAL - T20N, R9E, Sections 2-4 and 10; and T21N, R9E, Sections 23, 26, 27, and 31 - 35; Boise Meridian. The project area is around the communities of Edwardsburg and Big Creek, Idaho, approximately 7 air miles northeast of the community of Yellow Pine, Idaho, and approximately 39 air miles NE of McCall.					
Morgan Ridge Exploratory Drilling Plan of Operations EA	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Anthony Botello 208-630-0601 abbotello@fs.fed.us
	Description: A Plan of Operations is being considered to conduct exploratory drilling for locatable minerals from four drill pads, including six 1500-ft core holes and the use/repair of 3.1 miles of existing routes as temporary road for motorized vehicle access.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49889				
Location: UNIT - Krassel Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - Not Applicable. On Morgan Ridge in the Big Creek area, approximately 11 miles north-northeast of the community of Yellow Pine, ID at T21N, R9E, sec 19 S ½, 20 S ½, 29, 30, 31 N ½, 32 N ½.					

Payette National Forest McCall Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region
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Sloans Point Forest Resilience Project CE *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/31/2020	Expected:05/2020	06/2020	Ann Hadlow 208-634-0401 ahadlow@fs.fed.us
	Description: The McCall Ranger District proposes to manage forest structure and species composition to recover from insect and disease disturbances and improve forest landscape resiliency by implementing a suite of vegetation management treatments on <3000 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57337				
Location: UNIT - McCall Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Valley. LEGAL - Sec 1 of T16N, R4E; Secs 5, 6, and 7 of T16N, R5E; Sec 25 of T17N, R4E; and Secs 19, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33 of T17N, R5E, Boise Meridian, Valley County, Idaho. The 2273 acre project area is in the Kennally Creek Subwatershed in and is accessed by the Paddy Flat Road east of Donnelly, Idaho.					
South Fork - Main Salmon Private Land Access CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/06/2019	Expected:06/2020	07/2020	Lisa Klinger 208-634-0401 lklinger@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest proposes to issue special use permits or long term easements for motorized access to private property owners near the confluence of the Main Salmon-South Fork Salmon Rivers with reciprocal easements to the USFS for public access.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55787				
Location: UNIT - McCall Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - Township 23N, Range 8E, sections 5, 6, 7; Township 24N, Range 8E, sections 29, 32; Idaho County, Idaho . Trail 120/122 from the Mackay Bar Bridge on the Main Salmon River to the private land on the South Fork Salmon River including the South Fork Salmon River Bridge. Public access for Trail 108/126.					

Payette National Forest	New Meadows Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R4 - Intermountain Region
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Payette National Forest	New Meadows Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R4 - Intermountain Region	
Rapid River Trails EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special area management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Rita Bennett 208-347-0325 rita.l.bennett@usda.gov
Description: Change trail use designation in and crossing Rapid R Wild River Corridor to non-motorized / -mechanized; investigate joining trails designated 2-wheel motorized to the W and E of the Corridor; and 2-wheel motorized access to Lick Cr Lookout.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=36507					
Location: UNIT - New Meadows Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Adams. LEGAL - R1W, T21N, Sec. 28, 29, 31, 32; R1W, T20N, Sec. 6, 7; R2W, T21N, Sec. 36. New trail construction and/or reconstruction in R2W, T20N, Sec. 1 and/or R1W, T30N, Sec. 6. Around the southern end of the designated Rapid River Wild River Corridor in the western portion of New Meadows Ranger District.					

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Payette National Forest	Weiser Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R4 - Intermountain Region	
Robinson Timber Stand Improvement Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/08/2019	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	David LaChapelle 208-549-4228 davidalachapelle@fs.fed.us
Description: The Forest Service proposes to use a combination of non-commercial thinning and prescribed fire to manage a 12,660 acre project area within the Adams, Stacy, Fourth of July Creek, and Monroe Creek drainages.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55983					
Location: UNIT - Weiser Ranger District. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Washington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Adams, Stacy, Fourth of July Creek, and Monroe Creek drainages on the Payette National Forest, Weiser Ranger District, Washington County, Idaho.					

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