



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2019 to 12/31/2019

### Malheur National Forest

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#### R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Regionwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Region)

<b>Regional Aquatic Restoration Project</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 07/13/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	James Capurso 503-808-2847 jcapurso@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> The USFS is proposing a suite of aquatic restoration activities for Region 6 to address ongoing needs, all of which have completed consultation, including activities such as fish passage restoration, wood placement, and other restoration activities.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53001">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53001</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - R6 - Pacific Northwest Region All Units. STATE - Oregon, Washington. COUNTY - Adams, Asotin, Benton, Chelan, Clallam, Clark, Columbia, Cowlitz, Douglas, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Kittitas, Klickitat, Lewis, Lincoln, Mason, Okanogan, Pacific, Pend Oreille, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Skamania, Snohomish, Spokane, Stevens, Thurston, Wahkiakum, Walla Walla, Whatcom, Whitman, Yakima, Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Crook, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco, Washington, Wheeler, Yamhill. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project will span all national forests in Region 6.					

#### R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

<b>Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision</b> EIS	- Land management planning	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Gene Yates 541-523-1290 gyates@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> The revised Land Management Plans (Forest Plans) for the Malheur, Umatilla, and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests (Blue Mountains) provide an updated framework to guide the management of approximately 5.5 million acres of National Forest System lands.					
<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/BlueMountainForestPlanRevisionComments">http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/BlueMountainForestPlanRevisionComments</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Malheur National Forest All Units, Wallowa Valley Ranger District, Eagle Cap Ranger District, La Grande Ranger District, Umatilla National Forest All Units, Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon, Washington. COUNTY - Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, Walla Walla, Baker, Grant, Harney, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wheeler. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forest-wide for Malheur, Umatilla, & Wallowa-Whitman (except for the HCNRA).					

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<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)</b>					
<b>Ragged Ruby</b> 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 09/25/2019	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Katherine Cueno 541-575-3031 katherine.cueno@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> The project includes a suite of activities to restore forest resiliency and function, including: upland restoration activities; watershed, fisheries, and wildlife restoration; prescribed burning; road activities; and recreation system changes.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49392">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49392</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District, North Fork John Day Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - T10S, R33E, sec 7-10, 13, and 15-36; T10S, R34E, sec 9-24 and 27-33; T11S, R33E, sec 1-5, 9-15, and 23-26; and T11S, R34E, sec 5-9, 16-21, and 28-30, W.M. The planning area is located in Grant County approximately 9 miles north of Prairie City, Oregon.					

<b>Malheur National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>				<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>	
<b>2019 Issuance of New Road Access Special Use Permits</b> CE  *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:10/2019	10/2019	Stacia Kimbell 541-575-3349 skimbell@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The purpose of the project is to issue two new road access special use permits.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District, Prairie City Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Township 12 South, Range 34 East, sections 1 and 2; Township 11 South, Range 35 ½ East, section 25; Township 11 South, Range 36 East, section 30.				

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<b>Malheur National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)</b>			<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>		
<b>Austin EIS</b>  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recreation management</li> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Forest products</li> <li>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)</li> <li>- Fuels management</li> <li>- Watershed management</li> <li>- Road management</li> </ul>	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/08/2019 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 05/2020	Expected:12/2020	01/2021	Katherine Cueno 541-575-3031 katherine.cueno@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> This project includes a suite of activities to restore forest and watershed resiliency, including: upland, riparian, and wildlife restoration, and associated road system changes; fuels treatments and prescribed burning; and recreation system changes.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53678">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53678</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District, Prairie City Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Various sections in T10S, R35E; T 10S, R35-1/2E; T11S, R35E; T11S, R35-1/2E; T11S, R36E; T12S, R34E; T12S, R35E; T12S, R35-1/2E; T12S, R36E; T13S, R35E; T13S, R35-1/2E; Willamette Meridian. The project is located approximately 9 miles northeast of Prairie City, Oregon and borders the Wallowa Whitman National Forest.					
<b>OTC Fiber Overblow and Extension to ODOT/Austin House</b>  <b>CE</b>  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 08/15/2019	08/2019	Stacia Kimbell 541-575-3349 skimbell@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project proposes to reinforce existing fiber optic cable from the OTC Station in Bates to Prairie City & add new conduit to Austin House & the ODOT maintenance yard to provide better telephone/internet access to local communities & businesses.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56610">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56610</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District, Prairie City Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Township 11 south, Range 35 east, sections 28, 32, and 33; Township 12 south, Range 35 east, sections 5, 7, and 8; and Township 11 south, Range 34 east, sections 10 through 16, 21, 28, 32, and 33.					

<b>Malheur National Forest</b>	<b>Blue Mountain Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>	<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>
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<b>Bark EIS</b>  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recreation management</li> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Forest products</li> <li>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)</li> <li>- Fuels management</li> <li>- Watershed management</li> <li>- Road management</li> </ul>	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 04/2020	Expected:11/2021	12/2021	Bethany Parker 541-575-3187 bethany.parker@usda.gov
<p><b>Description:</b> This project includes a suite of activities to restore forest and watershed resiliency, including: upland, riparian, and wildlife restoration, and associated road system changes; fuels treatments and prescribed burning; and recreation system changes.</p> <p><b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56089">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56089</a></p> <p><b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - T14SR28E,S21-22,26-35;T14SR29E,S20-22,26-29,31-35;T15SR27E,S1,12-14,22-27,34-36;T15SR28E,S1-36;T15SR29E,S2-24,26-32;T15SR30E,S7-8,17-19;T16SR27E,S1-3,10-15,22-25;T16SR28E,S1-35;T16SR29E,S5-8,17-19,30. The planning area encompasses the Upper, Middle, and Lower South Fork John Day River, Murderers Creek, Laycock Creek, &amp; Fields Creek Watersheds, &amp; Silvies River headwaters.</p>					
<b>Camp Lick EA</b>  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recreation management</li> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Forest products</li> <li>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)</li> <li>- Fuels management</li> <li>- Watershed management</li> <li>- Road management</li> </ul>	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sasha Fertig 541-575-3061 sashafertig@fs.fed.us
<p><b>Description:</b> The Camp Lick Project includes a suite of activities to restore forest resiliency, including silviculture and fuels treatments, riparian restoration, range improvements, recreation site development, and associated road activities.</p> <p><b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46219">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46219</a></p> <p><b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - T.10 S., R.32 E., sec. 19-36; T.10 S., R.33 E., sec. 18, 19, and 30-32; T.11 S., R.32 E., sec. 1-36; T.11 S. R.33 E., sec. 4-10, 15-22, and 28-32; T.12 S., R.32 E., sec. 1-5 and 8-12, Willamette Mer. The project planning area is located in Grant County approximately 10 miles northeast of John Day, Oregon.</p>					

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<b>Malheur National Forest Blue Mountain Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>		<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>			
<b>Murderers Creek Wild Horse Joint Management Area, Herd Management Area Plan</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Special area management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/17/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 12/2019	Expected:06/2020	06/2020	Marion Mahaffey 541-575-3302 marion.mahaffey@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Establish a Herd Management Area Plan including appropriate management level. Objectives are to guide progress toward attaining the proposed population and habitat objectives, along with monitoring and adaptive measures to adjust management over time <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44570">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44570</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Township, Range and Section information is available by calling 541-575-3302. The area lies between Dayville, Seneca, & Mt. Vernon, Oregon covering approximately 143,000 acres of National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife & private lands.				
<b>Roundtop Complex Grazing Allotments Project</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Sasha Fertig 541-575-3061 sashafertig@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The purpose of this project is to authorize livestock grazing in a manner that moves management of the Roundtop Complex allotments towards objectives and desired conditions identified in the Malheur Forest Plan, as amended. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54067">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54067</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Blue Mountain Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Roundtop Complex planning area consists of five allotments located in Grant County between 5 and 19 miles north of John Day, Oregon.				

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<b>Malheur National Forest Emigrant Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>		<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>			
<b>Campground Improvement CE</b> CE  *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 07/17/2019	07/2019	Melissa Ward 541-573-4300 mward@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Extend Devine Summit Interpretive trail and Idlewild Loop Trail to begin trailheads at the new entrance to the campground. Replace wayfinding signs in campground. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56342">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56342</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Emigrant Creek Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Harney. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Devine Summit Interpretive Trail adjacent to the Idlewild Campground, on Emigrant Creek Ranger District. Campground on Hwy 395.				

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<b>Malheur National Forest Emigrant Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>		
<b>Rattlesnake Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 09/13/2019	10/2019	Lori Bailey 541-573-4300 labailey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Remove hazardous fuels from the Rattlesnake project area. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50792">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50792</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Emigrant Creek Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Harney. LEGAL - See attached map. Coffeepot, Cow, and Rattlesnake subwatersheds.				
<b>South Silvies Complex Grazing Allotments Project</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/14/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Marion Mahaffey 541-575-3302 marionmahaffey@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Evaluation of livestock grazing on three existing allotments: Big Sage Hen, Bridge Creek, and Silvies. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52366">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52366</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Emigrant Creek Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant, Harney. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The South Silvies planning area is located about 22 miles north of Burns, Oregon and includes approximately 38,759 acres of National Forest System lands.				

<b>Malheur National Forest Prairie City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>		
<b>Cliff Knox</b> EIS  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 07/20/2018 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 02/2020	Expected:10/2020	10/2020	Kenneth Boucher 541-820-3403 kenneth.boucher@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Vegetation management, wildlife habitat improvement, and watershed restoration activities including timber harvest and fuels treatments and associated road activities. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50433">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50433</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Prairie City Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant, Harney. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project area is 40,000 acres in size and is located about 30 miles southeast of Prairie City, Oregon.				

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<b>Malheur National Forest Prairie City Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>			<b>R6 - Pacific Northwest Region</b>		
<b>Grant County Amateur Radio Emergency Services Sheep Mountain Repeater</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/13/2019	10/2019	Stacia Kimbell 541-575-3349 skimbell@fs.fed.us
CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	<b>Description:</b> Special use permit for the installation of a repeater and additional solar panels and antennas at the exiting Sheep Mountain Communication Site.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56650">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56650</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Prairie City Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Sec. 23, T. 15 S., R. 35 E., W.M. Sheep Mountain Communication Site within Sec. 23, T. 15 S., R. 35 E., W.M., (Lat. 44.2505; Long.-118.4831).				

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