



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)
10/01/2020 to 12/31/2020

Wallowa-Whitman 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 .				

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

Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision EIS	- Land management planning	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Gene Yates 541-523-1290 gyates@fs.fed.us
	Description: 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.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/BlueMountainForestPlanRevisionComments				
Location: 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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R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Forest Management Direction for Large Diameter Trees in Eastern Oregon EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/11/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	Emily Platt 503-808-2970 SM.FS.EScreens21@usda.gov
	Description: The USFS will evaluate alternatives to the wildlife standard of the Eastside Screens that limits harvest of trees greater than 21 inches for the Umatilla, Wallowa-Whitman, Malheur, Ochoco, Deschutes, and Fremont-Winema National Forests.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58050				
Location: UNIT - Bend/Fort Rock Ranger District, Crescent Ranger District, Sisters Ranger District, Bly Ranger District, Lakeview Ranger District, Paisley Ranger District, Malheur National Forest All Units, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest All Units, Silver Lake Ranger District, Ochoco National Forest All Units, Umatilla National Forest All Units, Chiloquin Ranger District. STATE - Oregon, Washington. COUNTY - Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, Walla Walla, Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forests in Oregon, east of the Cascade Mountain Range.					

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Grande Ronde Rappel Base Lease Agreement EA *UPDATED*	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 03/28/2017	03/2017	Noel Livingston 541-523-1270 nlivingston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Provide office & ware house space, vehicle & helicopter parking, for newly formed Grande Ronde Rappel Crew at La Grande airport. Facility would be constructed by Union County on county-owned lands; to be leased by USFS.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50423				
Location: UNIT - Wallowa-Whitman National Forest All Units. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T3S, R38E, Sec. 24, NW1/4 of SW1/4. La Grande/Union County Airport.					

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)	R6 - Pacific Northwest Region
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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Travel Management Plan EIS	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Cindy Christensen 541-962-8501 cjchristensen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Comprehensive plan for motorized recreation on the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest (except for HCNRA). Will include designated routes for all motorized vehicles except snowmobiles.				
	Location: UNIT - Wallowa Valley Ranger District, La Grande Ranger District, Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker, Grant, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa. Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.				

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest		Eagle Cap Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Lostine Falls Fish Entrapment Mitigation CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed		09/2020	Alan Miller 541-820-3860 amiller@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Lostine Falls Entrapment Mitigation project is intended to reduce the mortality of bull trout and Chinook salmon at Lostine Falls. The project is proposing to move the boulders at the head of the falls that divert fish into the pocket pools.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57710				
	Location: UNIT - Eagle Cap Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Wallowa. LEGAL - T2S, R43E, Section 15. The Lostine Falls Fish Entrapment Mitigation is located upstream from the Pole Bridge recreation site, approximately eight miles south of Lostine, Oregon.				

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest		Hells Canyon NRA (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Circle C Administrative Site Housing Facility EA *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/29/2019	Expected:12/2020	12/2020	Andrea Holmquist 541-426-5533 acholmquist@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to issue a special use permit which would provide terms and conditions under which Idaho Power Company could build and operate a housing facility on approximately 3.5 acres of National Forest Service lands at Circle C.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54261				
	Location: UNIT - Hells Canyon NRA. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - Township 27N Range 1W Section 33. The project area is in the vicinity of the USFS Pittsburg Landing recreational access area within the HCNRA on the Idaho side of the Snake River, approximately 17 miles northwest of Riggins, Idaho.				

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Hells Canyon NRA (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Hells Canyon NRA Private Land Use Regulations EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Dea Nelson 541-523-1316 dnelson09@fs.fed.us
	Description: Conduct a NEPA analysis on the Private Land Use Regulations (36 CFR 292.20-25) for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. On hold pending further direction.				
	Location: UNIT - Hells Canyon NRA. STATE - Idaho, Oregon. COUNTY - Adams, Idaho, Nez Perce, Baker, Wallowa. LEGAL - Portions of T5N-7S, R46E-51E WM; T27N-22N, R1W-3W and 1E BM. Hells Canyon National Recreation Area in Baker and Wallowa Counties in Oregon and Adams, Idaho and Nez Perce Counties in Idaho.				
Kirkwood Bridge Replacements CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/09/2020	Expected:10/2020	10/2020	Sweyn Wall 541-426-5523 swall@fs.fed.us
	Description: This proposal includes two different bridges located at the Kirkwood Historic Ranch. The Kirkwood Pack Bridge and the Kirkwood Foot Bridge. The bridges are rotting and in need of replacement.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57862				
Location: UNIT - Hells Canyon NRA. STATE - Idaho. COUNTY - Idaho. LEGAL - T26N, R1W, Sec 30. The Kirkwood Historic Ranch is located approximately 18 air miles NW of Riggins, Idaho.					

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest La Grande Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
5125 Large Wood Stream Restoration CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Joe Platz 541-962-8571 jplatz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Mechanically place large wood and structures into 1 mile of the upper Grande Ronde River.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57384				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T6S R36E S9, 10. 5125 Reach of the upper Grande Ronde River.					

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest La Grande Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Beaver Creek TSI CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	David Komlosi 541-962-8561 dkomlosi@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project has been cancelled due to a change in the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest program of work priorities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53039				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T4S R36E Sections 21-35. Southern boundary: 4305 Rd to Park Saddle, Northern boundary: forest boundary adjacent to private lands, Eastern boundary: 4305 220 Rd, Western boundary: 5110 Rd.					
Catherine Creek Summit Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 06/01/2017	06/2017	Thomas Burry 541-962-8537 tburry@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project proposes harvest for thinning in two units, to achieve stocking level. The two units were treated with prescribed burning in South Fork WUI project. The units are South Fork WUI Unit 2, 14 acres, and South Fork WUI Unit 1, 31 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48509				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T5S, R41E, Section 27. Catherine Creek Summit, near Highway 203.					
Hourglass Soil Rehabilitation CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 08/13/2020	10/2020	Mary Young 541-962-8510 maryyoung@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restore user created routes by tree felling, decompacting soils, and installing berms. Actions would protect sites from illegal dumping and invasive species as well as enhance cultural resources, fish and wildlife habitat, and quiet recreation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57853				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T5S R41E Sections 35 and 36. T5S R42E Sections 32 and 33. T6S R42E Sections 4, 5 and 6. Near NFS Road 7700.					

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest La Grande Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Middle Fly Creek Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 08/2020	Expected:10/2020	07/2021	Joe Platz 541-962-8571 jplatz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Increase stream channel complexity by adding large wood, coarse substrate, and quality pool habitat.				
	Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T 5S, R 35.5E, S 3, 4, 8, 9. Lower Fly Creek Watershed.				
Riparian Livestock Exclusion by Wood II CE	- Grazing management - Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Joe Platz 541-962-8571 jplatz@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would exclude livestock from streams by placing wood within the riparian area, allowing the riparian area to recover and streambank stabilization. Listed fish species are present.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=34479				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T4S, R36E, section 18 and 19. Little Beaver Creek within the Lower Beaver Creek subwatershed.					
Sheep Creek Vegetation Management EA	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/14/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 09/2020	Expected:02/2021	08/2021	Brianna Carollo 541-962-8588 briannacarollo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation management using commercial harvest, non-commercial thinning, and prescribed burning.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57625				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - T 5&6S, R 35E. 22 miles SW of La Grande, OR.					
Two Eagle Vegetation Management Project EA	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 08/23/2019	Expected:01/2020	06/2020	Brianna Carollo 541-962-8588 briannacarollo@fs.fed.us
	Description: Mechanical thinning, slash busting, prescribed fire, piling and burning to manage and improve vegetative health and sustainability and to treat fuels near wildland urban interface, private lands, and the Eagle Cap Wilderness.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49749				
Location: UNIT - La Grande Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - T5-6S, R42-43E. Project area is from Flagstaff Butte and West Eagle Meadows to Eagle Creek, Two Color Guard Station and Tamarack Campground in the West Eagle, Upper Eagle, and Eagle-Bennett subwatersheds.					

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest one District) WALLOWA VALLEY RANGER DISTRICT (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Buck Creek Fence CE *NEW LISTING*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/30/2020	Expected:10/2020	10/2020	Shawn Mork 541-426-5593 smork@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Wallowa Valley Ranger District is proposing to construct 3.8 miles of permanent fence on the Buck Creek Allotment in the Orchard and McCubbin pastures.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58513				
Location: UNIT - Wallowa Valley Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Wallowa. LEGAL - Project area is located at Township 3 North, Range 44 East, parts of sections 16, 21, 20 and 29, Willamette Meridian, Wallowa County, Oregon. The project area is located at Township 3 North, Range 44 East, parts of sections 16, 21, 20 and 29, Willamette Meridian, Wallowa County, Oregon.					
Muddy Sled Prescribed Fire CE *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/28/2020	Expected:10/2020	10/2020	Gabriel Hale 541-426-5652 gabriel.hale@usda.gov
	Description: The Wallowa-Whitman National Forest proposes to prescribe burn approximately 1,123 acres within the Muddy Sled Prescribed Fire Project area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58544				
Location: UNIT - Wallowa Valley Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Wallowa. LEGAL - Township 3N, Range 44E, Sections 16,20,21,28-34. The Muddy Sled Prescribed Fire Project is located on the Wallowa Valley Ranger District. Approximately 23 miles north of Enterprise, Oregon.					

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Whitman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District) R6 - Pacific Northwest Region					
Baker City Watershed Fuels Management Project EA *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/10/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2021	Expected:08/2021	08/2021	Adrian Cuzick 541-523-1340 adrian.cuzick@usda.gov
	Description: The purpose of this project is to reduce hazardous fuels between the Baker City Watershed and nearby private land.				
	Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - T 09 S R 38 E Sec 2,3,4; 9,10,11,12; 13,14,15,16; 22, 23,24; 25,26; 36 T 09 S R 39 E Sec 17, 18, 19, 20, 30, 31 . This project is located in the Baker City Municipal Watershed.				
Beers Mine Exploration CE	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2020	Expected:04/2020	04/2020	Raymond Lovisone 541-523-1343 rslovisone@fs.fed.us
	Description: 1-year mining CE for exploration of 1000 cubic yards to locate locatable material in compliance with CFR 228.4.				
	Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - Township 9 south, Range 37 East, Section 27. Beer Gulch.				
Eagle Telephone CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2020	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Raymond Lovisone 541-523-1343 rslovisone@fs.fed.us
	Description: East Eagle Fiber Optic Project: Maintenance of existing fiber optic cable, replacing with new cable for approximately 11.5 miles on National Forest Lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - Township 7, Range 43 East, Multiple Sections. National Forest System roads 7000, 7020, 7745, 7010, and 7010-125.				
ODOT Summit Point Communication Site, SUP PIN201802 CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/18/2019	Expected:05/2019	01/2020	Jay Moore 541-742-6701 jbmoore@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of communication tower lease.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55440				
Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - T7S, R45E, Sec 5, WM. Approximately 10 miles northwest of Halfway, Oregon.					

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ODOT Summit Ridge Communication Site SUP Renewal 100903 CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/27/2019	Expected:07/2019	01/2020	Jay Moore 541-523-1383 jbmoore@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issue ODOT a new Communications Use Lease at the Summit Point Communication Site for a 20-year term, allowing ODOT to continue to maintain and operate the facility.				
	Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. approximately 3 miles southwest of Halfway, Oregon on the Whitman Ranger District.				
O TEC Beaver Mountain Rebuild CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2020	Expected:04/2020	05/2020	Raymond Lovisone 541-523-1343 rslovione@fs.fed.us
	Description: Propose to replace existing power poles and overhead lines with buried fiber optic cable for approximately 2.5-3 miles on National Forest Lands.				
	Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - Township 11 south, Range 40 East, Sections 11,14,and 23. Near Beaver Creek.				
Patrick Vegetation Management Project EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/04/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Roy Cuzick 530-523-1327 rdcuzick@fs.fed.us
	Description: Improve forest health, the landscape's resiliency to disturbance, and increase the structural complexity and species diversity of vegetation to provide habitat for a wider range of wildlife species.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55477				
Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - 9S35 1/2E,9S36E,10S35 1/2E, 10S35E,10S36E, 11S35 1/2E, 11S36E,11S37E, 12S36E,12S37E . Approximately 3 air miles southwest of Sumpter, Oregon and approximately 21 air miles southwest of Baker City, Oregon.					

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Whitman Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Pine Valley Range Allotment Management Plans EA *UPDATED*	- Grazing management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/23/2016 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2021	Expected:06/2021	06/2021	Adrian Cuzick 541-523-1340 alcuzick@fs.fed.us
	Description: Four grazing allotments on the Whitman Ranger District of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest and Hells Canyon National Recreation Area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48919				
Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker, Wallowa. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Pine Creek Watershed.					
Powder River Mining EIS *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 03/23/2018 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2020	Expected:04/2021	04/2021	Raymond Lovisone 541-523-1345 rslovisone@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analyze proposed mining plans of operations within the Powder River watersheds.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45945				
Location: UNIT - Whitman Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - T 8,9,10S, R 36,37,38,39E. Powder River watersheds.					

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