



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2019 to 03/31/2019

National Forests in Alabama

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National Forests in Alabama		Bankhead Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region
2019 Bankhead Southern Pine Beetle Mitigation and Restoration Project CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2018	Expected:01/2019	01/2019	Jason Harris 205-489-5111 jasonjharris@fs.fed.us
	Description: Nearly 3000 acres of at risk pine and mixed pine and hardwood stands will be managed to reduce susceptibility to southern pine beetle or begin process to restore these stands to the appropriate desired future condition.				
	Location: UNIT - Bankhead Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Franklin, Lawrence, Winston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project will include the entire Bankhead National Forest.				
Special Use Permit - Reggie Watts Right-of-way CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Shane Hoskins 205-489-5111 shaneahoskins@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issue a special use permit for right-of-way to Reggie Watts for driveway and utility installation to private property.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40043				
Location: UNIT - Bankhead Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Winston. LEGAL - Section 23, T10S, R7W. Bankhead National Forest, Horseshoe Bend Area, Houston, Alabama, FS Road 123D1 and unnamed woods road.					
National Forests in Alabama		Conecuh Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region
Blue Spring West EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 07/11/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Tim Mersmann 334-222-2555 ext. 101 tmersmann@fs.fed.us
	Description: Thin stands to increase early successional habitat, mostly located within the Blue Springs WMA, west of Highway 137. The project area is approximately 9,000 acres of National Forest Land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49198				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington, Escambia. LEGAL - T1N, R14E, Sections 1,5,6,12,19,20,24,25,30,31,32,36. T2N, R14E, Sections 7,8,12,13,17,18. The project area is located west of Highway 137, which majority of the project is within the Blue Springs Wildlife Management Area.					

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Conecuh Compartment 12 Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/12/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Jaime Hernandez 334-222-2555 x103 jahernandez@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercially thin approximately 70 acres of overstocked pine stands to improve forest health and wildlife habitat and to reduce fuel loading and the risk of SPB infestation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51442				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 12 north of Dixie off of Highway 29.					
Conecuh Compartment 4 Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/12/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Jaime Hernandez 334-222-2555 x103 jahernandez@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercially thin approximately 70 acres of overstocked pine stands to improve forest health and wildlife habitat and to reduce fuel loading and the risk of SPB infestation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51439				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 4 east of County Road 31.					
Conecuh Compartment 40 Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/12/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Jaime Hernandez 334-222-2555 x103 jahernandez@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercially thin approximately 70 acres of overstocked pine stands to improve forest health and wildlife habitat and to reduce fuel loading and the risk of SPB infestation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51460				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 40 west of County Road 11 and south of County Road 53.					

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Conecuh Compartment 67 Thinning Project CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 01/12/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Jaime Hernandez 334-222-2555 x103 jahernandez@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercially thin approximately 70 acres of overstocked pine stands to improve forest health and wildlife habitat and to reduce fuel loading and the risk of SPB infestation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51464				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 67 is southwest of Parker Springs and south of County Road 11.					
Conecuh Gopher Tortoise Relocation Pen CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Tim Mersmann 334-222-2555 tmersmann@fs.fed.us
	Description: Develop a relocation recipient site on Conecuh National Forest to protect gopher tortoise rescued from sites permitted for development in the state of Alabama.				
	Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 30 south of County Road 24.				
Frank Taylor Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/10/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special Use Permit for private land access				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54282				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest in Alabama, Conecuh Ranger District, Covington County, off FS/County Road 310.					
Jeffery Hill Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/10/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
	Description: special use permit for access to private land				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54272				
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest in Alabama, Conecuh Ranger District, Escambia County.					

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Marcus Holcomb Road and Powerline ROW CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/10/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
	Description: Private landowner has submitted special use application for crossing National Forest land to access property, Southern Pine EC submitted application to install overhead powerline across National Forest land to provide power to a private landowner Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54160				
	Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Conecuh National Forest, Escambia County AL.				
Martin Spencer Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/10/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
	Description: Special User Permit for right-of-way to access private land across national forest property Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54662				
	Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - NW1/4 - NE1/4, Section 22, Township 1 North, Range 13 East. National Forest in Alabama Conecuh Ranger District, Escambia County AL.				
Open Pond Day Use Area Bathhouse Decommission EA *UPDATED*	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 11/14/2018	11/2018	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
	Description: Decommissioning of the existing cement block bathhouse, removal and restoration of the adjacent parking lot, and installation of a double SST facility. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54079				
	Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Open Pond Recreation Area.				
Parker Springs Tower CE CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/04/2016	Expected:04/2019	04/2019	Tim Mersmann 334-222-2555 tmersmann@fs.fed.us
	Description: Approve and modify current use of the radio facilities at Parker Springs Tower by Escambia County Sheriff. Modification is needed to add back-up power generation. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49288				
	Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Township 1N, Range 12E, Section 13. Located off of County Road 11 in Compartment 63, Township 1N, Range 12E, Section 13.				

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Tony Wells Special Use Permit - Access CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/10/2018	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Daks Kennedy 334-222-2555 dbkennedy@fs.fed.us
Description: Special Use Permit for access to private land					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54286					
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. National Forest in Alabama, Conecuh Ranger District, Escambia County, off FS 311D.					
Wolf Pit Upland Habitat Improvement Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:09/2019	09/2020	Chantz Birch 334-222-2555 chantzbirch@fs.fed.us
Description: Thin overly dense stands to increase wildlife habitat development, tree growth, forest health and to reduce susceptibility to southern pine beetle. Project area is approximately 4,000 acres.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54789					
Location: UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington, Escambia. LEGAL - Township 1 North, Range 13 East, Section 13-25. Compartments 15, 16, and 39. The project area is located south of U.S. Highway 29 and Escambia County Road 11 and north of Forest Service Road 305.					

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National Forests in Alabama	Shoal Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
2017 Corax Crotalus Ivory (CCI) EA	- Forest products	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/16/2017	Expected:10/2018	12/2018	Jonathan Stober 256-463-2272 jstober@fs.fed.us
Description: To restore and maintain the native longleaf and shortleaf pine ecosystem and provide habitat for native flora and fauna.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52239					
Location: UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various locations scattered across the Shoal Creek Ranger District.					

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National Forests in Alabama	Shoal Creek Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
2017 Warden Station Chemical Release EA	- Recreation management - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2018	Expected:02/2019	05/2019	Lesley Hodge 256-463-2273 lhodge@fs.fed.us
	Description: Vegetation management along Warden Station Multiuse Trails				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52534				
	Location: UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Warden Station Multiuse Trails located on the Shoal Creek Ranger District.				
2018 East End HFRA CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/04/2018	Expected:11/2018	12/2018	Jonathan Stober 256-463-2272 jstober@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to increase forest health on approximately 297 acres of Forest Service Lands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54626				
	Location: UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Vicinity of County Rd 61/FS Rd 553 to the FS Rd 548 intersection.				
2018 Pinhoti 100 Ultra Marathon (Recreation Special Use) CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/01/2018	11/2018	Gregory Scull 256-463-2273 gregorylscull@fs.fed.us
	Description: This event is a 100 mile foot race utilizing the Pinhoti National Recreation trail and forest service roads. The event is scheduled for 11/03/2018 and 11/04/2018.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54933				
	Location: UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Cleburne, Talladega. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Pinhoti Trail and FS Roads from Pine Glen Recreation area to boundary of Cheaha State Park. FS Roads and trails from the Boundary of Cheaha State Park to Sylaward Bike Trails in Sylacauga.				

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2018 Shoal Creek HFRA SPB CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 11/01/2018	12/2018	Jonathan Stober 256-463-2272 jstober@fs.fed.us
Description: Treatment of stands at risk for southern pine beetle infestation.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54298					
Location: UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Shoal Creek Ranger District.					

National Forests in Alabama	Talladega Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
2018 Lake Chinnabee Dredging CE	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Land ownership management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2018	Expected:12/2018	02/2019	Lesley Hodge 056-463-2272 lhodge@fs.fed.us
Description: Dredging of Lake Chinnabee to improve aquatic habitat.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54297					
Location: UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lake Chinnabee located on the Talladega Ranger District.					
Clay Slate Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/13/2018	Expected:10/2018	11/2018	Gregory Scull 256-463-2273 gregorylscull@fs.fed.us
Description: To provide access to private land owner's property across Forest Service lands.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54499					
Location: UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T18S R7E Sec 2.					

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National Forests in Alabama	Talladega Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Dog Retrieval Access on Unclassified portion of NFSR 637U CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/16/2018	11/2018	Gloria Nielsen 256-362-2909 x121 glorianielsen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Temporary access to the public for 4752 feet of non-system unclassified road which is currently designated as the administrative use only portion of NFSR 637U. The travel way will be open from 11/17/2018 to 01/15/2019.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55104				
	Location: UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Not Applicable. West of Cheaha Wilderness Area.				
Taylor Mill/Sherman Cliff Environmental Assessment EA	- Forest products	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/14/2018	Expected:11/2018	01/2019	Art Henderson 256-362-2909 arthenderson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Talladega Ranger District is proposing activities in the Sherman Cliffs and Taylor Mill analysis areas to restore and maintain longleaf pine and associated native forest communities.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53353				
	Location: UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Talladega. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located near Germany and Horn Mountains, generally between National Forest System Road (NFSR) 615 and NFSR 600-1, south of State Highway 77.				

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National Forests in Alabama	Tuskegee Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
Tuskegee Rx Burning FY 19-22 CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2018	Expected:12/2018	12/2018	Cameron Seals 334-727-2652 cseals@fs.fed.us
	Description: Conduct approximately 8315 acres of prescribe burning on the Tuskegee National Forest in Compartments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,13,14, and 15 for fuel reduction and wildlife habitat improvement.				
	Location: UNIT - Tuskegee Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Macon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,13,14, and 15.				

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National Forests in Alabama	Tuskegee Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
Tuskegee Upland Pine Restoration Project Phase2 EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/01/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Cameron Seals 334-727-2652 cseals@fs.fed.us
Description: Restoration and improvement of Upland Pine Stands using timber harvest, midstory removal, herbicide application, prescribed fire, and integrated NNIS control.					
Location: UNIT - Tuskegee Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Macon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tuskegee Ranger District.					

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