



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2019 to 12/31/2019

### National Forests in Alabama

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| <b>National Forests in Alabama</b> | <b>Bankhead Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b> | <b>R8 - Southern Region</b> |
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| <b>2019 Bankhead Southern Pine Beetle Mitigation and Restoration Project</b><br><br>CE<br><br><div style="color: blue; font-weight: bold;">*UPDATED*</div>                                                                                      | - Vegetation management (other than forest products) | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 07/26/2018 | Expected:10/2019 | 10/2019 | Jason Harris<br>205-489-5111<br>jasonjharris@fs.fed.us   |
| <b>Description:</b> Nearly 2500 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. |                                                      |                                          |                  |         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Bankhead Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Franklin, Lawrence, Winston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project will include the entire Bankhead National Forest.                                                 |                                                      |                                          |                  |         |                                                          |
| <b>Special Use Permit - Reggie Watts Right-of-way</b><br><br>CE                                                                                                                                                                                 | - Special use management                             | On Hold                                  | N/A              | N/A     | Shane Hoskins<br>205-489-5111<br>shaneahoskins@fs.fed.us |
| <b>Description:</b> Issue a special use permit for right-of-way to Reggie Watts for driveway and utility installation to private property.                                                                                                      |                                                      |                                          |                  |         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40043">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40043</a>                                                                                                                      |                                                      |                                          |                  |         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> 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.                      |                                                      |                                          |                  |         |                                                          |

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| <b>National Forests in Alabama</b> | <b>Conecuh Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b> | <b>R8 - Southern Region</b> |
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| <b>Conecuh Gopher Tortoise Relocation Pen</b><br><br>CE                                                                                                                             | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants | On Hold | N/A | N/A | Tim Mersmann<br>334-222-2555<br>tmersmann@fs.fed.us |
| <b>Description:</b> Develop a relocation recipient site on Conecuh National Forest to protect gopher tortoise rescued from sites permitted for development in the state of Alabama. |                               |         |     |     |                                                     |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 30 south of County Road 24.                               |                               |         |     |     |                                                     |

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| <b>National Forests in Alabama</b>                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Conecuh Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>                                                                                                                                            |                                                   |                    | <b>R8 - Southern Region</b> |                                                                 |
| <b>Covington Electric SUP - Powerline Relocation CE</b><br><br><b>*NEW LISTING*</b>                                                                                                                        | - Special use management                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Developing Proposal<br>Est. Scoping Start 11/2019 | Expected:01/2020   | 01/2020                     | LaToya Soto<br>334-222-2555 EXT 105<br>lmsoto@fs.fed.us         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Description:</b> Relocate existing powerline closer to Covington County Road 4 Rights-of-Way for approximately one mile along the county road to reduce safety issues with powerline maintenance in Compartments 26, 9, and 46. |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56890">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56890</a>                                                                                                         |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. County Road 4 and 14.                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
| <b>Gopher Tortoise, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, and Bog Habitat Improvement EA</b><br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                    | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants<br>- Vegetation management<br>(other than forest products)                                                                                                                                           | Developing Proposal<br>Est. Scoping Start 10/2019 | Expected:10/2020   | 10/2020                     | DEREK COLBERT<br>334-222-2555 ext.102<br>derekcolbert@fs.fed.us |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Description:</b> For the benefit of gopher tortoise, red-cockaded woodpecker and sensitive bog plants, improve habitat within tortoise, woodpecker, and bog focal areas.                                                        |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55475">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55475</a>                                                                                                         |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington, Escambia. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forest-wide.                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
| <b>Herman Bass Special Use Permit - short term one year or less</b><br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                | - Special use management                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Completed                                         | Actual: 09/20/2019 | 10/2019                     | Daks Kennedy<br>334-222-2555<br>dbkennedy@fs.fed.us             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Description:</b> Special Use Permit for private landowner to use a non-system road to access property for timber harvest operations. This permit will be a short term for one year or less.                                     |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55728">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55728</a>                                                                                                         |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located in Covington County Alabama, Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 15 East. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                   |                    |                             |                                                                 |

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| <b>National Forests in Alabama</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Conecuh Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b> |                  |                         | <b>R8 - Southern Region</b>                           |
| <b>Road Closure for Forest Service Road 331E</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | - Road management                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | In Progress:<br>Comment Period Public Notice<br>07/01/2019                              | Expected:10/2019 | 10/2019                 | Daks Kennedy<br>334-222-2555<br>dbkennedy@fs.fed.us   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Description:</b> The current condition of FSR 331E is not passable due to flooding and the location being in a wet bottomland area. This project is associated with the Reciprocal Special Use Permit with Wayne Bass, which will provide administrative access. |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55730">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55730</a>                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project located in Covington County Alabama - Section 14, Township 1 North, Range 15 East.                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
| <b>Wayne Bass Special Use Permit - ROW/Easement Reciprocal</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | - Special use management                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | In Progress:<br>Comment Period Public Notice<br>07/01/2019                              | Expected:07/2019 | 07/2019                 | Daks Kennedy<br>334-222-2555<br>dbkennedy@fs.fed.us   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Description:</b> Reciprocal Special Use Permit - ROW/Easement with a private landowner to allow access across national forest land                                                                                                                               |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55729">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55729</a>                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project located in Covington County Alabama - Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 15 East.                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
| <b>Wolf Pit Upland Habitat Improvement Project</b><br>EA<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | - Recreation management<br>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants<br>- Forest products<br>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)<br>- Fuels management                                                                                                         | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 04/03/2019<br>Est. Comment Period Public Notice 11/2019   | Expected:04/2020 | 04/2020                 | Chantz Birch<br>334-222-2555<br>chantzbirch@fs.fed.us |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Description:</b> 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 6,000 acres.                                                  |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54789">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54789</a>                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                         |                  |                         |                                                       |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Conecuh Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Covington, Escambia. LEGAL - Township 1 North, Range 13 East, Section 13-25. Compartments 15, 16, 17, 18 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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| <b>2017 Warden Station Chemical Release</b><br>EA                                                                                                                                           | - Recreation management<br>- Vegetation management<br>(other than forest products)                                                  | On Hold                                                                                     | N/A              | N/A                     | Lesley Hodge<br>256-463-2273<br>lhodge@fs.fed.us         |
| <b>Description:</b> Vegetation management along Warden Station Multiuse Trails                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52534">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52534</a>                                                                  |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Warden Station Multiuse Trails located on the Shoal Creek Ranger District. |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>2018 East End HFRA</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                     | - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants<br>- Forest products<br>- Vegetation management<br>(other than forest products)<br>- Fuels management | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 09/04/2018                                                    | Expected:10/2019 | 11/2019                 | Jonathan Stober<br>256-463-2272<br>jstober@fs.fed.us     |
| <b>Description:</b> Proposal to increase forest health on approximately 1977 acres of Forest Service Lands.                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54626">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54626</a>                                                                  |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> 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.    |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>2019 Shake-n-Brake Gravel Grinder</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*NEW LISTING*</b>                                                                                                                  | - Recreation management<br>- Special use management                                                                                 | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 09/24/2019                                                    | Expected:10/2019 | 10/2019                 | Gregory Scull<br>256-463-2273<br>gregorylscull@fs.fed.us |
| <b>Description:</b> 44 mile mountain bike race utilizing USFS gravel roads on 10/12/2019.                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56910">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56910</a>                                                                  |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Shoal Creek Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Cleburne. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FSR 540, FSR 500, FSR 548, FSR 531 and Warden Station Campground.          |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                             |                  |                         |                                                          |

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| <b>2019 AAW &amp; Hella Hundo Cyclocross</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*NEW LISTING*</b>                                                                                                                                                             | - Special use management                                                                  | Completed                                         | Actual: 09/24/2019 | 09/2019                 | Gregory Scull<br>256-463-2273<br>gregorylscull@fs.fed.us |
| <b>Description:</b> A bicycle race consisting of a 44 mile option (AAW) and a 100 mile option (Hella Hundo).                                                                                                                               |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56813">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56813</a>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Cleburne, Talladega. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FSR 607, FSR 651, FSR 644, FSR 637, FSR 600-2, FSR 600-3, FSR 615.                                         |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>2019 Alabama Power Transmission Line to Private Land West</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*NEW LISTING*</b>                                                                                                                                         | - Special use management                                                                  | Developing Proposal<br>Est. Scoping Start 09/2019 | Expected:10/2019   | 11/2019                 | Gregory Scull<br>256-463-2273<br>gregorylscull@usda.gov  |
| <b>Description:</b> Long term special use request to install, operate & maintain a underground power distribution line to private property.                                                                                                |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56738">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56738</a>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T 20S R 5E Sec 16.                                                                                                              |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>2019 Rebecca Mountain 50 Mile Ultra Marathon</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*NEW LISTING*</b>                                                                                                                                                      | - Special use management                                                                  | Completed                                         | Actual: 09/06/2019 | 09/2019                 | Gregory Scull<br>256-463-2273<br>gregorylscull@fs.fed.us |
| <b>Description:</b> 50 Mile Foot Race.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56737">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56737</a>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay, Talladega. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Pinhoti Trail from Porters Gap South, FS 603, FS 601, FS 601D, FS 609B and Sylaward Multi Use Trails at Lake Howard. |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>2019 Turnipseed Policy Changes</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                        | - Regulations, Directives, Orders<br>- Recreation management<br>- Facility management     | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 06/06/2019          | Expected:10/2019   | 10/2019                 | Lesley Hodge<br>256-463-2273<br>lhodge@fs.fed.us         |
| <b>Description:</b> Establishment of Standard Operating Procedures, Rules and Policies at Turnipseed Campground                                                                                                                            |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56286">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56286</a>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Township 18S Range 8E Section 19. Turnipseed Campground.                                                                                        |                                                                                           |                                                   |                    |                         |                                                          |

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| <b>Lake Chinnabee Improvements</b><br>CE<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recreation management</li> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Watershed management</li> <li>- Land ownership management</li> </ul>                          | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 06/06/2019                                                  | Expected:10/2019 | 11/2019                 | Lesley Hodge<br>056-463-2272<br>lhodge@fs.fed.us        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Description:</b> Dredging of Lake Chinnabee to improve aquatic habitat along with the relocation of SST and fee tube.                                                                                       |                                                                                           |                  |                         |                                                         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54297">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54297</a>                                                                                     |                                                                                           |                  |                         |                                                         |
| <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Talladega Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Clay. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lake Chinnabee located on the Talladega Ranger District.                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                           |                  |                         |                                                         |
| <b>Taylor Mill/Sherman Cliff Environmental Assessment</b><br>EA<br><br><b>*UPDATED*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants</li> <li>- Forest products</li> <li>- Vegetation management (other than forest products)</li> <li>- Road management</li> </ul>            | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 07/13/2018<br>Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2019     | Expected:11/2019 | 12/2019                 | Art Henderson<br>256-362-2909<br>arthenderson@fs.fed.us |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Description:</b> 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. |                                                                                           |                  |                         |                                                         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53353">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53353</a>                                                                                     |                                                                                           |                  |                         |                                                         |
| <b>Location:</b> 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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| <b>National Forests in Alabama</b>                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Tuskegee Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b> |                  |         | <b>R8 - Southern Region</b>                       |
| <b>Tuskegee Upland Pine Restoration Project Phase2</b><br>EA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul> | In Progress:<br>Scoping Start 02/01/2018<br>Est. Comment Period Public Notice 07/2018    | Expected:12/2018 | 01/2019 | Cameron Seals<br>334-727-2652<br>cseals@fs.fed.us |
|                                                              | <b>Description:</b> Restoration and improvement of Upland Pine Stands using timber harvest, midstory removal, herbicide application, prescribed fire, and integrated NNIS control.                                                   |                                                                                          |                  |         |                                                   |
|                                                              | <b>Location:</b> UNIT - Tuskegee Ranger District. STATE - Alabama. COUNTY - Macon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Tuskegee Ranger District.                                                                                                 |                                                                                          |                  |         |                                                   |

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