



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)
10/01/2018 to 12/31/2018

Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests

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Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R8 - Southern Region
U.S. Forest Service Recreation Fee Changes in Georgia CE *UPDATED*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/18/2017 This project has changed to a CE that does not require a written decision document and will be removed from the SOPA.	Expected:02/2019	04/2019	Kyle Grambley 770-297-3066 kgrambley@fs.fed.us
Description: USDA Forest Service officials propose to change recreation fees at several sites on the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest. The public is invited to provide input on proposed fees changes until September 18, 2017.					
Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/conf/2017recfeeproposals					
Location: UNIT - Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest All Units. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Clayton, Fannin, Lumpkin, Rabun. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in North Georgia.					

Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R8 - Southern Region
Five Years Recreation Event Permits CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/20/2018	09/2018	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
Description: To convert three recreation events from temporary permits to five-year term special use permits on National Forest System (NFS) lands administered by the Blue Ridge and Chattooga River Ranger Districts.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54747					
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District, Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin, Gilmer, Rabun, Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The SUP for these three events are located in the Blue Ridge Ranger district and Chattooga River Ranger District.					

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Foothills Landscape Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 10/30/2017	Expected:12/2019	02/2020	Stephanie Israel 770-297-3095 sisrael@fs.fed.us
	Description: The purpose of this project is to maintain or restore biologic integrity, connectivity, resilience, and soil and water quality on the 143,419 acres of the Foothills Landscape. www.tinyurl.com/foothillslandscapecollaborate				
	Web Link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52509				
Location: UNIT - Conasauga Ranger District, Blueridge Ranger District, Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Dawson, Fannin, Gilmer, Habersham, Lumpkin, Murray, Rabun, White. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests. It includes a portion of the Cohutta WMA, and Dawson, Fannin, Gilmer, Habersham, Lumpkin, Murray, Rabun and White Counties.					

Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests Blueridge Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Aska Beginner Trail CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:03/2019	06/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54784				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Fannin county.					
Big Stamp Overflow Parking at Springer Mountain CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:03/2019	06/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54783				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin, Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Union and Fannin county.					

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Bryant Creek Re-route and Foot Bridge Replacement - BRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-route and replace foot bridge at Bryant Creek. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53699				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bryant Creek in Union County, Georgia.				
Cooper Creek Watershed Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 08/14/2018	10/2018	Jason McGaughey 706-745-6928 jasonamcgaughey@fs.fed.us
	Description: The primary focus of the Cooper Creek watershed project is to make the forest more resilient and sustainable by reestablishing a healthy range of age and diversity of tree species, improving wildlife habitat and increasing watershed function.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44385 Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Union County, Georgia. For more information, see Cooper Creek Watershed Project.				
DNR Boat Storage Facility at Lake Blue Ridge - BRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/14/2018	10/2018	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: DNR access to boat storage facility at Lake Blue Ridge.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53701 Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lake Blue Ridge in Union County, Georgia.				

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Fish Hook Point Dock Modifications CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54787				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Fannin county.					
Jake and Bull RTP (Jones Crk. Dam Reroute) CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/04/2017	Expected:11/2018	05/2019	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Trail reroute at Jake and Bull RTP (Jones Crk. Dam)				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50440				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Lumpkin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lumpkin County, Georgia.					
Lake Chatuge and Lake Blue Ridge Accessible Trail Project - BRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Trail maintenance to Lake Chatuge and Lake Blue Ridge to make it more accessible to the public.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53700				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Towns. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lake Chatuge and Lake Blue Ridge in Towns County, Georgia.					
Lake Winfield Scott Water & Electric Expansion CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2018	Expected:03/2019	07/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54781				
Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Union county, Georgia.					

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Lakewood Landing Parking Lot Expansion CE *UPDATED*	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/05/2018	Expected:10/2018	03/2019	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Expand the parking lot at Lakewood Landing on the Blue Ridge RD. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53070				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Fannin County, Georgia.				
NC. Rocky Top Communications Site (SUP) - BRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:11/2018	11/2018	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: NC. Rocky top for access to communications site. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53702				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. NC. Rocky Top communications site in Union County, Georgia.				
Outfitter/Guide Permits CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:01/2019	02/2019	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: 2017 Outfitter/Guide Permits for the Blue Ridge RD Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50442				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Fannin County, Georgia.				
Recreation Residence Modification at Lake Winfield Scott For Driveway Handicap Access CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/20/2018	Expected:10/2018	11/2018	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Ms. Moore is authorized to remove one Hemlock tree (approximately 6 inches in diameter), add three loads of dirt to raise elevation of driveway to level of cabin entrance, and gravel the 8x4 parking place. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54548				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The site is located approximately 23 miles South of Blairsville, Georgia.				

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Right-of-way Road Use Modifications CE *NEW LISTING*	- Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54791				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin, Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Union and Fanning counties.				
Salvage/Sanitization Right-of-way Harvest CE *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:04/2019	08/2019	Towdy Tipton (706)745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54782				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Union county, Georgia.				
Two Lakes Accessible Trails Project-BRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/16/2018	Expected:01/2019	05/2020	Towdy Tipton 706-745-6928 towdytipton@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct accessible trails at Lake Blue Ridge on the Blue Ridge RD. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50441				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin, Towns. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in the Blue Ridge Ranger District in Fannin and Town Counties, Georgia.				
Union County Target Range Project EA *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Special use management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2018	Expected:05/2019	06/2019	Nelson Gonzalez-Sullow 770-297-3051 nelsongonzalezsullow@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed action consists of authorizing Union County Government to construct a target range on National Forest lands. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54559				
	Location: UNIT - Blueridge Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The proposed site for this project is located off Highway 180 between mile markers 18 and 19 on Landlot 212, District 16, Section 1 south of FS Road 292 and consists of approximately 15 acres of NFS land.				

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Haywood EMC Distribution Line - Glade Road CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:11/2018	12/2018	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Install distribution line on Glad Road. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53653				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Rabun. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Glad Road in Rabun County, Georgia.				
Installation of tower by Southern Linc Wireless at Glassy Mtn. Communications Site - SUP CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/18/2018	Expected:11/2018	12/2018	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Install a tower at Glassy Mtn. Communications Site by Southern Linc Wireless Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52604				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Rabun. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Glassy Mtn. Communications Site in Rabun County, GA.				
Outfitter/Guide - James Hames III for Guided Horse Riding - CRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:02/2019	03/2019	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Outfitter/Guide permit for guided horseback riding tours. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53118				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Habersham, Rabun, Stephens. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Habersham, Rabun and Stephens Counties, GA on the Chattahoochee National Forest.				
Outfitter/Guide - New Vision East (Blue Ridge and Chattooga River Ranger Districts) CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Outfitter/Guide SUP (New Vision East) Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52127				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Fannin, Lumpkin, Union, White. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Multiple counties in Georgia.				

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Outfitter/Guide - Outdoor Climbing Adventures, LLC for use of Currahee Mountain - CRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Outfitter/Guide permit for use of Currahee Mountain on the Chattahoochee National Forest. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53119				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Stephens. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Stephens County, GA on the Chattahoochee National Forest.				
Proposed Commercial Salvage Project - CRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/10/2018	Expected:11/2018	12/2018	Jason McGaughey 706-745-6928 jasonamcgaughey@fs.fed.us
	Description: Tornado damage due to wind that impacted 60 acres of NF. Looking to only salvage 25 acres that affected the Chattahoochee WMA and the Upper Chattahoochee campground, FS Road 44. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54034				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - White. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Chattahoochee WMA and the Upper Chattahoochee Campground, FS Road 44.				
Satolah Fire House Relocation - Special Use Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Blaine Boydston 706-754-6221 bboydstun@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocate the Satolah Fire House on Forest Service land. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50856				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Rabun. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Rabun County, Georgia.				
Soque River Fishing Pier - CRRD CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2018	Expected:05/2019	06/2020	David Vinson 706-782-3320 dtvinson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Soque River fishing pier on the CRRD. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53654				
	Location: UNIT - Chattooga River Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Habersham. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Soque River located in Habersham County, Georgia.				

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Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests Conasauga Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Georgia Jewel SUP Multi-year Re-issue - CRD CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/20/2018	09/2018	Jerome Bennett 770-297-2936 jeromebennett@fs.fed.us
	Description: Re-issue of a multi-year SUP for Georgia Jewel on the Conasauga RD.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54231				
Location: UNIT - Conasauga Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Chattooga, Walker, Whitfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Chattooga, Walker and Whitfield Counties, GA (Conasauga RD).					
Mountain Skullcap Prescribed Burn - Conasauga RD CE *UPDATED*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:11/2018	03/2019	Ruth Stokes 706-695-6736 rbstokes@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed burn at Mountain Scullcap on the Conasauga RD.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54233				
Location: UNIT - Conasauga Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Walker County, Georgia on the Conasauga RD.					
Songbird Trail Reroute CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/30/2017	Expected:11/2018	03/2019	Karen Larsen 715-373-2667 ext 238 kalarsen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reroute the Songbird Trail.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49389				
Location: UNIT - Conasauga Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Murray. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Murray County, Georgia.					

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Ocmulgee Bluff Equestrian Trail Maintenance CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/19/2018	Expected:01/2019	02/2019	Jeff McDonald 770-485-7110, Ext. 103 jmcdonald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to install a trail bridge along the Ocmulgee Bluff Equestrian Trail, at Crows Creek, Oconee Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51179				
Location: UNIT - Oconee Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Jasper. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Jasper County, Monticello, Georgia, south to the intersection of Highway 83 and the Ocmulgee River.					
Town Creek ATV Trail Improvement Project. CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/26/2018	Expected:01/2019	02/2019	Jeff McDonald 770-485-7110, Ext. 103 jmcdonald@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to install a boardwalk, install 3 small bridges and harden approximately 300 ft. of trail surface (The Project) across creeks, tributaries and wet depressions intersecting the Town Creek ATV Trail (TCATV).				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51180				
Location: UNIT - Oconee Ranger District. STATE - Georgia. COUNTY - Greene. LEGAL - Not Applicable. , FSR1241 between Penfield Road and Hensley Road surrounding Town Creek, 12 miles north of Greensboro, Greene County, Georgia.					

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