



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2019 to 09/30/2019

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R8 - Southern Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

Southern Region Cave and Underground Abandoned Mine Closure CE <p style="color: blue; font-weight: bold;">*NEW LISTING*</p>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 06/14/2019	06/2019	Dennis Krusac 404-347-4338 dkrusac@fs.fed.us
Description: Short-term (up to 2 years) closure order for all caves and abandoned mines in the Southern Region (2 exceptions)to minimize transmission potential of the fungus that continues to cause white nose syndrome in bats that has affected populations.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56195					
Location: UNIT - Cherokee National Forest All Units, National Forests In Florida All Units, Kisatchie National Forest All Units, Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest All Units, National Forests In North Carolina All Units, National Forests In Mississippi All Units, Ouachita National Forest All Units, Francis Marion and Sumter National Forest All Units, National Forests In Texas All Units, Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area All Units, George Washington and Jefferson National Forest Units, Daniel Boone National Forest All Units, George Washington and Jefferson National Forest All Units, National Forests in Alabama All Units, Ozark-St. Francis National Forest All Units. STATE - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia. COUNTY - Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Region-wide except El Yunque NF and Blanchard Springs Cavern in AR.					

National Forests In Florida, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)

R8 - Southern Region

Apalachicola Route Designation Revision EA	- Recreation management - Road management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Harold Shenk 850-926-3561 x 6502 hshenk@fs.fed.us
Description: The Apalachicola National Forest is evaluating monitoring information and public comments received during the first year of implementation of the 2007 Apalachicola National Forest Motorized Route Designation for a possible revision.					
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District, Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Calhoun, Leon, Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Aplachicola National Forest.					

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Big Gully Analysis Area EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management 	Completed	Actual: 04/08/2019	06/2019	Branden Tolver 936-344-6205 btolver02@fs.fed.us
Description: The proposed action would include treatments such as first thinning of young pine plantations, intermediate thinning of mature slash and longleaf stands, and herbicide application for timber stand improvement.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50776					
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located in compartments 15, 16, and 23 and is within the Apalachicola Ranger District, Apalachicola National Forest, Liberty County, FL.					
Briar Patch Analysis Area EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Road management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/24/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2019	Expected:04/2019	04/2019	Branden Tolver 936-344-6205 btolver02@fs.fed.us
Description: The Forest Service proposed to conduct timber management and wildlife habitat improvement activities on 3,600 acres of the Apalachicola National Forest. The proposed action include 2,800 acres of thinnings and 800 acres of modified group selection.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54557					
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 73, 74, 75, and 96 of the Apalachicola National Forest, Apalach Ranger District.					
Brickyard Analysis Area EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management 	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/18/2015 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 12/2015	Expected:04/2016	04/2016	Michael Bodziak 850-926-3561 mbodziak@fs.fed.us
Description: The Forest Service is proposing to treat approximately 3312 acres of forest land on the Apalachicola National Forest.					
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in compartments 106, 107 and 108 of the Apalachicola Ranger District.					

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National Forests In Florida Apalachicola Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
FR 103 Widening and Paving Project EA	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2018	Expected:09/2019	10/2019	Sherry Gaston 850-523-8584 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Widening and paving of existing Forest Road. Improvements are needed to support increased traffic on the road by Telogia Power for hauling materials to and from mill.				
	Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. SR 65 and FR 103 Liberty County.				
Holmes Easement for access to private inholding. CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/12/2018	Expected:10/2018	10/2018	Sherry Gaston 850-523-8500 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of Special Use permit for legal access to their property.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54406				
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Easement will located off Springhill Road adjacent to OH Hudson road.					
Liberty Analysis Area EA	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/24/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Branden Tolver 936-344-6205 btolver02@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes to conduct 4,800 acres of timber management treatments on the Apalachicola National Forest. Proposed activities include thinnings, clearcuts and modified group selection.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54558				
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 3, 7, 8, and 11 of the Apalachicola National Forest.					

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Workcenter Timber Stand Improvement Project CE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 11/2018	Expected:11/2018	11/2018	Branden Tolver 936-344-6205 btolver02@fs.fed.us
Description: The primary purpose of this project is to reduce the fuel loading and restore forest health in areas that were damaged by Hurricane Michael by removing downed and damaged trees.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55002					
Location: UNIT - Apalachicola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Liberty. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 4 and 13 of the Apalachicola National Forest, Apalach Ranger District.					

National Forests In Florida	Lake George Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
Florida National Scenic Trail improvements on the Ocala National Forest (2018) CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/05/2018	Expected:09/2018	10/2018	Shawn Thomas 850-523-8586 shawncthomas@fs.fed.us
Description: The Forest Service proposes improvements to an 11mi FNST segment on the western side of the forest in partnership with the Florida Trail Assoc. Specific work includes replacing and adding puncheons in wet areas and a short reroute around Hull Creek.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54609					
Location: UNIT - Lake George Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Marion. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The trail segment is in the western Ocala National Forest north of State Road 40 around Lake Charles.					
Ocala 2019 Post-fire Wildlife Habitat Improvement CE *NEW LISTING*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management 	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2019	Expected:08/2019	08/2019	Michael Papa 907-228-4126 mpapa@fs.fed.us
Description: The US Forest Service proposes activities to improve open scrub conditions following three wildfires, including authorization of commercial timber sale for habitat improvement and hazardous fuels reduction.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56402					
Location: UNIT - Lake George Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Marion. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Areas within and adjacent to stands burned in the Powerline, Refuge and Island Pond fires in May 2019.					

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Ocala Helispots CE *NEW LISTING*	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 04/04/2019	05/2019	Jared Nobles 352-625-2520 jared.nobles@usda.gov
Description: Creating 6 additional helispots utilizing existing infrastructure and areas with past disturbance. To increase the overall helicopter operational safety and our capacity to carry out the Forest Service mission.					
Location: UNIT - Lake George Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Lake, Marion, Putnam. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project is Forest Wide.					
Outfitter and Guide Request for Canoe/Kayak tours CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special area management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2019	Expected:06/2019	07/2019	Heather Ellison 352-625-2520 x2526 hellison@fs.fed.us
Description: Canoe and Kayak tours for children and general public at Juniper and Alexander Springs Rec Areas.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56232					
Location: UNIT - Lake George Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Lake, Marion. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Juniper and Alexander Springs Rec Areas.					
Silver Glen Springs Recreation Enhancement Project EA	- Recreation management - Heritage resource management - Facility management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Antoinette Davis 352-625-2520 aldavis@fs.fed.us
Description: Improve upon the land-based management capabilities of the Silver Glen Recreational Area.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=37488					
Location: UNIT - Lake George Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Marion. LEGAL - Section 25&30. Township 14. Range 26E and 27E. State Road 19, approximately 6 miles north of State Highway 40.					

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National Forests In Florida Osceola Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R8 - Southern Region			
Columbia County Communications Tower EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special use management - Facility management 	Completed	Actual: 05/28/2019	08/2019	Sherry Gaston 850-926-3561ex t6511 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Columbia County has requested a Special Use Permit for the construction, maintenance and year-round use of a 250-foot public safety communications tower to improve fire and law enforcement communications in the Sandlin Bay Area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54193				
Location: UNIT - Osceola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Columbia. LEGAL - Township 1N, Range 17W, S15. In Columbia County north of the Benton Tower Road (Forest Road 291)and west of Forest road 287.					
Maple Creek Ecosystem Restoration Project EA *UPDATED*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management 	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 06/08/2019	Expected:09/2019	10/2019	Cynthia Thompson 386-752-2577 cynthiathompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: We are developing a proposal to continue ongoing restoration activities in the Saint Marys Landscape Analysis Area. Proposed treatments will include timber thinning and converting some slash pine plantations to longleaf pine.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55342				
Location: UNIT - Osceola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Baker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is in the east central portion of the Osceola National Forest north and east of the Olustee Battlefield State Park.					
Osceola Forestwide Restoration Project EA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) 	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/20/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 06/2019	Expected:09/2019	10/2019	Cynthia Thompson 386-752-2577 cynthiathompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Osceola NF proposes to evaluate and select pine stands across the forest for timber thinning and re-establishment of longleaf pine to reduce hazardous fire fuels, improve plant and wildlife habitat, and to establish healthy ecosystem processes.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53988				
Location: UNIT - Osceola Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Columbia, Baker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project covers all pine flatwood stands within the Osceola NF. The forest is approximately 45 miles west of Jacksonville Florida.					

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Apalachicola Administrative Office EA	- Facility management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Harold Shenk 850-926-3561 hshenk@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct a new administrative office for the Apalachicola National Forest in Leon County across from the forests Wakulla Work Center.				
	Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Leon County, Florida, Bloxham Cutoff Rd.				
Capital City to the Sea Trail Proposal EA	- Recreation management - Road management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Chandra Roberts 850-926-3561 ext. 6509 chandaroberts@fs.fed.us
	Description: The FS is evaluating a 15-mile segment of a paved (12 ft wide) , multi-use trail, proposed by Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) that crosses the Apalachicola National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://cc2st.com/				
Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon, Wakulla. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 219, 223, 227, 247, 248.					
City Of Tallahassee Solar Farm 2 Connector. CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/06/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	Sherry Gaston 850-926-3561ex t6511 sherry.gaston@usda.gov
	Description: Connector into existing Right Of Way for City of Tallahassee transmission line. Three new utility poles will be placed with width of 106 feet.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55044				
Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Within Existing Right Of Way(ROW) for City Of Tallahassee transmission line and southwest corner of airport adjacent to the ROW.					

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Groom Tract Temporary Access for Harvesting Timber CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/22/2018	Expected:11/2018	12/2018	Sherry Gaston 850-926-3561ex t6511 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access from a private inholding for harvesting of timber on their land.				
	Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Wakulla. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Use of FR 394B, 313E, 313, and portion of unnumbered road to complete route into property.				
Phase One RCW Core Analysis Area EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/17/2013 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:07/2019	07/2019	Branden Tolver 936-344-6205 btolver02@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service proposes silvicultural and restoration treatments on approximately 2,000 acres within the Red Cockaded Woodpecker (RCW) Core Analysis Area.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=42241				
Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon, Wakulla. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The RCW Core Area is located in Township 1S Range 2W and Township 3S Range 3W.					
Silver Lake Home Owners Association Easement CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/10/2018	Expected:01/2019	01/2019	Sherry Gaston 850-926-3561ex t6511 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Easement for access to private land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55222				
Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Off of Aenon Church Road.					

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Silver Lake OHV Trailhead project CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/02/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Tashunda Williams 850-926-3561 Ex 6509 tashundawilliams@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Apalachicola National Forest proposes to reconstruct the parking area in the Silver Lake Recreational Area. Actions include repaving and expanding existing OHV parking, installing signage and fencing, and enclosing a work shed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55667				
Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Silver Lake Recreational Area is located in compartment 202 of the Apalachicola National Forest in Leon County, FL.					
Southern Light, LLC fiber Optic Line CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/29/2015	Expected:10/2015	10/2015	Sherry Gaston 850-926-3561ex t6511 sgaston@fs.fed.us
	Description: Installation of approximately 3 miles of underground fiber optic line adjacent to major roads within Leon and Wakulla County.				
	Location: UNIT - Wakulla Ranger District. STATE - Florida. COUNTY - Leon, Wakulla. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Fiber line within Right of Ways of Highway 319 in Leon and Wakulla County.				

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