



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

07/01/2020 to 09/30/2020

Kisatchie National Forest

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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Locatable Mining Rule - 36 CFR 228, subpart A. EIS *UPDATED*	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/13/2018 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 11/2021	Expected:12/2021	12/2021	Nancy Rusho 202-731-9196 nancy.rusho@usda.gov
	Description: The U.S. Department of Agriculture proposes revisions to its regulations at 36 CFR 228, Subpart A governing locatable minerals operations on National Forest System lands.A draft EIS & proposed rule should be available for review/comment in late 2020				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57214				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. LEGAL - Not Applicable. These regulations apply to all NFS lands open to mineral entry under the US mining laws. More Information is available at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/science-technology/geology/minerals/locatable-minerals/current-revisions .				

Kisatchie National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)

R8 - Southern Region

Kisatchie National Forest Wind Event EA EA *UPDATED*	- Special area management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 04/14/2020	04/2020	Holly Morgan 318-473-7194 holly.morgan@usda.gov
	Description: Reduce hazardous fuels, improve RCW habitat, and restore native communities on up to 20,000 acres per year after a wind event by timber removal, mulching, lop and scatter, shear and windrow, chopping, herbicide, fire, and regeneration				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57551				
Location: UNIT - Kisatchie National Forest All Units. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Claiborne, Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides, Vernon, Webster, Winn. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Up to 20,000 acres on KNF following a wind event.					

Kisatchie National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)

R8 - Southern Region

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Kisatchie National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R8 - Southern Region
Louisiana Pearlshell Mussel Conservation Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 05/28/2020	06/2020	Tedmund Soileau 318-473-7121 tedmund.soileau@usda.gov
	Description: Various management actions to enhance Louisiana pearlshell mussel populations and habitats to maintain reproducing, self-sustaining populations Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56198				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District, Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant, Rapides. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Specific sub-watersheds in T7N R2W, T6N R2W, T6N R1W, in the Catahoula RD and T4N R3W, T3N R3W, T3N R2W, T2N R3W, T2N R2W, and T2N R1W in the Calcasieu RD.				
Vegetation Management along Cleco Rights-of-way on the Kisatchie National Forest EA *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Special use management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 04/08/2020	Expected:05/2020	06/2020	Shanna Mccarty (318) 473-7154 shanna.mccarty@usda.gov
	Description: Project proposes to amend existing special use permit governing vegetation maintenance in rights-of-way along Cleco distribution lines within Kisatchie National Forest. Permit allows mechanical methods; amendment requests addition of chemical methods Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57780				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District, Calcasieu Ranger District, Kisatchie Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides. LEGAL - Not Applicable. portions of Grant, Rapides, and Natchitoches parishes where Cleco maintains approximately 178 miles of ROWs within KNF.				

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CGG'S BAYOU BOEUF 3D SEISMIC SURVEY CE	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2019	Expected:07/2019	07/2019	Marilyn Spencer 318-793-9427 marilyn.spencer@usda.gov
	Description: CCG proposes to conduct a 3D seismic survey, which encompasses approx. 16.74 square miles of the KNF within 12 compartments in Rapides Parish, LA. The purpose of the survey is to provide a high resolution image of the subsurface geological features. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56260				
	Location: UNIT - Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Rapides. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Calcasieu Ranger District, Rapides Parish, Compartments 46-55, 57, and 374 located on the Evangeline Unit.				

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Kisatchie National Forest Calcasieu Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Calcasieu Prescribed Burning Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Russ Marchion 318-793-9427 comments-southern-kisatchie-calcasieu@fs.fed.us
	Description: District wide prescribed burn EA				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47375				
Location: UNIT - Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Rapides, Vernon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. District wide.					
Calcasieu Ranger District Habitat improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2020	Expected:02/2020	02/2020	Charles Fontenot 318-793-9427 charles.fontenot@usda.gov
	Description: Timber stand improvement and wildlife habitat improvement across the entire Calcasieu Ranger District.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57476				
Location: UNIT - Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Rapides, Vernon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Calcasieu Ranger District in Rapides and Vernon parishes.					
Control Aquatic Invasive and Non-Desirable Plant Species Project EA	- Heritage resource management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Charles Fontenot 318-472-8512 comments-southern-kisatchie-calcasieu@fs.fed.us
	Description: Control aquatic invasives in Little Cypress Pond, Government Pond, Fullerton Lake, and Valentine Lake. Control non-desirable plant species at Fullerton Recreational Area and Camp Claiborne.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46134				
Location: UNIT - Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Rapides, Vernon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Little Cypress Pond, Government Pond, Fullerton Lake and Fullerton Historic Site on the Vernon Unit. Valentine Lake, Longleaf Pond, James Pond, and Camp Claiborne on the Evangeline Unit.					

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Kisatchie National Forest Calcasieu Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Pipeline for BLM Petro Hunt USA 23 CE	- Minerals and Geology	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Gretchen Moore 318-473-7144 gretchenmoore@fs.fed.us
	Description: 2.87 miles of 4 inch pipeline to connect wells on proposed Petro Hunt USA 32 into existing Petro Hunt USA 34 wells. Pipeline would be buried 3 feet deep; 9,077 feet would be trenched in the road right-of-way, 6,080 feet would be horizontally drilled.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49284				
Location: UNIT - Calcasieu Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Vernon. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 104 on the Vernon Unit of the Calcasieu RD. NE 1/4 of section 23, T1S, R8W. Vernon Parish. Approximately 6.75 miles SE of Fort Polk, Louisiana.					

Kisatchie National Forest Caney Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
TURTLESLIDE DECOMMISSION EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/06/2020	Expected:05/2020	05/2020	James Williams 318-927-2061 james.williams3@usda.gov
	Description: PROJECT WILL CONSIST OF DECOMMISSIONING THE TURTLESLIDE CAMPGROUND REMOVING FOUR FACILITIES, ALL CAMPSITES/PADS, AND CAMPGROUND ROAD. SITE WILL BE RETURNED TO A NATURAL STATE ONCE DECOMMISSION IS COMPLETE.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57651				
Location: UNIT - Caney Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Webster. LEGAL - Not Applicable. CANEY LAKES RECREATION AREA, TURTLESLIDE CAMPGROUND IN MINDEN, LA.					
XTO CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/31/2018	Expected:12/2018	01/2019	James Williams 318-927-2061 jaimewilliams@fs.fed.us
	Description: REISSUE EXISTING EXPIRED PERMIT				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53269				
Location: UNIT - Caney Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Claiborne, Webster. LEGAL - Not Applicable. REPLACE EXPIRED EXISTING SPECIAL USE PERMIT.					

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Kisatchie National Forest	Catahoula Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R8 - Southern Region
AT&T Amendment #16 CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/23/2019	Expected:11/2019	12/2019	Camelia Steward 318-765-3554 cameliasteward@fs.fed.us
	Description: ATT proposes to place buried fiber optic cable within Kisatchie National Forest boundary along the LA DOTD R/W of LA HWY 3130. Approx. 3.3 ft. of La HWY 3130 shows to be within KNF boundary.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56896				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Rapides. LEGAL - Not Applicable. LA DOTD Right-of-way of LA Hwy 3130.				
Fontenot Special Use Permit CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/06/2019	Expected:12/2019	01/2020	Camelia Steward 318-765-3554 camelia.steward@usda.gov
	Description: Improving FS roads 146B & CO87B to allow for all-weather or year-round access to private property.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56369				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FS roads 146B & CO87B.				
Goat livestock utilization for understory brush and non-native invasive plant species control CE *NEW LISTING*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2020	Expected:08/2020	04/2021	Nathan Miller (318) 765-3554 nathan.c.miller@usda.gov
	Description: Utilizing goats to control understory brush and non-native invasive plant species on approximately 55 acres.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58437				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Township 6 North, Range 1 West. Compartment 87 in stands 6 & 35.				
North Gray Creek Farm Bill Project CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/27/2019	Expected:10/2019	11/2019	Nathan Miller 601-384-5876 x256 nathanmiller@fs.fed.us
	Description: To reduce the risk of SPB epidemic and damage, increase the resilience to SPB outbreaks, and reduce the amount of NNIS all the while restoring native pine species (longleaf and/or shortleaf).				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55920				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - T6N R2W. Compartments 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93.				

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Socia Branch Trail EA	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2020	Expected:11/2020	09/2021	Camelia Steward 318-765-3554 cameliasteward@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct a single-track, multi-directional trail for motorcycles, bicycles, and hikers including two trailheads, signs, etc.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=41298				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - T7N R1W, T8N R1W and T8N R2W. Compartments: 50, 51, 52, and 58.				
South Gray Creek Ecosystem Management Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/21/2020 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2020	Expected:09/2020	12/2020	Anthony Page 318-765-3554 anthony.page@usda.gov
	Description: The project area is approximately 6,931 acres which includes activities of thinning, clearcutting, site preparing, planting of yellow pine, releasing seedlings, mechanical fuel reduction, herbicide application, RCW cavity installation, etc.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57754				
	Location: UNIT - Catahoula Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Grant. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartments 82, 83, 84,85,90, 91, 93,94, 95, 96, 97, 100, 103.				

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C-11 Louisiana Pine Snake Habitat Restoration CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Fuels management - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 05/12/2020	02/2021	Kelly Boles 318-472-1840 kboles@fs.fed.us
	Description: first thinnings, intermediate thinnings, and clear cuts with longleaf pine reserves. RCW habitat improvement and colony maintenance, hardwood midstory control and artificial cavity installation.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55494				
	Location: UNIT - Kisatchie Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Natchitoches. LEGAL - Natchitoches Parish in: Sections 17, 18, 19, and 20 of Township 6 North, Range 7 West; and Sections 11, 13, 15, 22, 23, and 24 of Township 6 North, Range 8 West. C-11.				

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C-29 Southern Pine Beetle Hazard Reduction CE *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management	Completed	Actual: 05/12/2020	09/2020	Jason Launius 318-472-1840 jasonlaunius@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposed actions include first thinnings, intermediate thinnings, and clear cuts with longleaf pine reserves. The thinning of these stands and promotion of longleaf pine will reduce the hazard rating for southern pine beetle (SPB) outbreaks.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56861				
Location: UNIT - Kisatchie Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Natchitoches. LEGAL - Sections 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, and 28 of Township 6 North, Range 8 West. Kisatchie Ranger District Compartment 29.					
Kisatchie Ranger District RCW Cluster Maintenance Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/24/2020	Expected:06/2020	06/2020	Albert Brazzel 318-472-1840 albert.brazzel@usda.gov
	Description: On the Kisatchie Ranger District, within the red-cockaded woodpecker Habitat Management Area, perform mechanical removal of midstory vegetation on RCW nest and foraging habitat, artificial cavity installation and cluster maintenance.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57873				
Location: UNIT - Kisatchie Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Natchitoches. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Township 5 North, Range 7 and 8 West; Range 6 North, Range 6-8 West; Township 7 North, Range 7-8 West; Natchitoches Parish Louisiana.					

Kisatchie National Forest Winn Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R8 - Southern Region
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Kisatchie National Forest Winn Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Cat35 Amendment #17 Winn RD Fiber Optic CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/29/2020	Expected:03/2020	05/2020	Charity Damron 318-628-4664 Charity.Damron@usda.gov
	Description: AT&T proposing to bury a fiber optic line from Gum Springs Rd to tower site off the Lakeshore Dr, for a distance of 30585 feet on USFS lands in Road ROW. Along Hwy156, Tom Carson RD, Coldwater Rd, Lakeshore Dr.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57563				
Location: UNIT - Winn Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Winn. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Sec. 7 T11N, R4W; Sec 12, 14, 15, 22, 28, 33 & 37 T11N, R5W; Sec. 4 T10N, R5W in Winn Parish.					
Chestnut CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/26/2019	Expected:05/2020	08/2020	Brian Rudd 318-628-4664 brudd@fs.fed.us
	Description: Treatment of off-site species by commercial timber harvesting, invasive species treatment and replanting of native species to improve resiliency to insect and disease.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56362				
Location: UNIT - Winn Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Natchitoches. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located approximately 3 miles from Goldonna, LA.					
City of Winnfield SUP Renewal CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/27/2013	Expected:10/2016	10/2016	Barbara Poole 318-682-4664 blpoole@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renew or re-issue a special use permit to City of Winnfield for maintenance and operation of a 6" waterline to the CCA or Prison Facility on the Gum Springs Rd.				
	Location: UNIT - Winn Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Winn. Section 25, 35 & 36 T11N-R4W, and sections 3 & 9 of T10N-R4W In Winn Parish.				

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Enable Gas Transmission LLC Gas Pipeline Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/09/2019	Expected:05/2019	06/2019	James Williams 318-927-2061 jaimewilliams@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissuance of a special use permit for a Right-of-Way of various widths a distance of 3.4 miles to Enable Gas Transmission, LLC, Gas Pipeline for a gas transmission pipeline. No new construction or timber removal is proposed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56040				
Location: UNIT - Winn Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Claiborne, Webster. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T20N, R9W, SEC 33, 34, in Webster Parish, Louisiana and T23N, R6W, SEC 34, T23N R4W, SEC 20, 21, 27, 28 in Claiborne Parish.					
Lane Road CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/16/2020	Expected:09/2020	10/2020	Brian Rudd 318-628-4664 brudd@fs.fed.us
	Description: Treatment of 2,966 acres of commercial harvest treatments including restoration, thinning, and Nonnative invasive species. This will reduce the SPB risk in these areas.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57963				
Location: UNIT - Winn Ranger District. STATE - Louisiana. COUNTY - Winn. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Winn Parish approximately 15 west of Winnfield.					

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