



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

10/01/2018 to 12/31/2018

National Forests In Texas

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National Forests In Texas, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R8 - Southern Region
Texas Plan Revision EIS	- Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 04/27/2017 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 03/2020	Expected:06/2021	07/2021	Theresa Mathis 936-639-8586 tjmathis@fs.fed.us
Description: The National Forests and Grasslands propose to revise their land management plan as guided by the 2012 Planning Rule.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50032					
Location: UNIT - National Forests In Texas All Units. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina, Fannin, Houston, Jasper, Montague, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, Walker, Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The National Forests and Grasslands in Texas are comprised of approximately 675,000 acres of public land across fifteen counties in east and northeast Texas.					

National Forests In Texas Angelina Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
North Angelina RCW Habitat Improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/01/2016	Expected:03/2018	04/2018	Ronald Hasken 662-873-6256 rhasken@fs.fed.us
Description: Red-cockaded woodpecker (<i>Picoides borealis</i>) (RCW) habitat improvement project on the Angelina National Forest in compartments 1, 2, 6, and 7.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49991					
Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - San Augustine. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 0.6 mile north of the intersection of State Highway 103 and State Highway 147, in Management Area (MA) 2 2013 Red-cockaded Woodpecker Emphasis, and MA 4 Streamside Management Zones (SMZ).					

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National Forests In Texas Angelina Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
North Zavalla First Thinning CE	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/02/2016	Expected:10/2016	11/2016	James Chumley 936-897-1068 jchumley@fs.fed.us
	Description: Pine first thinning in stands 20-40 years old in compartments 44,45,46,47, and 50 on the Angelina National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49409				
Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 5 miles east of Zavalla, Texas, 6 miles west of Huntington, Texas, within Angelina County.					
Sandy Creek Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/11/2016	Expected:04/2018	05/2018	Earlene Jackson 936-897-1068 earlenejackson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Watershed EA consists of commercial pine thinning, longleaf pine restoration, wildlife habitat improvement, road work, NNIPS, midstory removal				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=37403				
Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina, Jasper. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Compartment 73, 74, 75, & 78, 8 miles southeast of Zavalla, TX and south of Sam Rayburn Reservoir.					
W.H. Gulley Private Road Special Use Permit Transfer CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2018	Expected:03/2018	03/2018	Tom Zimmerman 409-625-1940 tzimmerman@fs.fed.us
	Description: Transfer road permit to the new property owner and change the expiration date.				
	Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina. LEGAL - Not Applicable. administrative compartment 100. The existing road is 458 feet long and 30 feet wide.				

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National Forests In Texas	Angelina Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
White City First Thinning Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/05/2018	Expected:11/2018	02/2019	Barton Davis 936-655-2299 bjdavis@fs.fed.us
Description: Commercially thin approximately 3,530 acres of 77 overstocked pine stands ranging in age from about 20 to 40 years in age, to an average basal area of 60-70 square feet per acre.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54631					
Location: UNIT - Angelina Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Angelina. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The White City First Thinning Project is located from two miles northeast of Broadus, Texas to the south end of FM 705 and the north side of Sam Rayburn Reservoir in San Augustine County.					

National Forests In Texas one District)	Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands (excluding Projects occurring in more than			R8 - Southern Region	
Bois d'Arc Open Areas Restoration Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/30/2018	Expected:10/2018	10/2018	Robert Sewell 940-627-5475 rasewell@fs.fed.us
Description: Restore open areas on the Bois d'Arc unit of the Caddo National Grassland to better represent historic conditions of native prairies and oak savannas using mechanical, fire and seeding methods.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54621					
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Fannin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bois d'Arc Unit of the Caddo National Grassland, about 15 miles north of the city of Honey Grove in Fannin County, Texas.					
LBJ Prairie Savanna Restoration Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 08/01/2017	Expected:03/2018	03/2018	Robert Sewell 940-627-5475 rasewell@fs.fed.us
Description: The FS proposed to accelerate the transition of degraded lands and streams to properly function and healthy prairies, savannas, and streams across the entire LBJ National Grassland through the use of a variety of management techniques (e.g., fire).					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50961					
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montague, Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is located in Wise and Montague counties in North-Central Texas. The nearest cities are Alvord and Decatur.					

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National Forests In Texas Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
TADRA Blue Trail Reroute Project CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/31/2017	Expected:07/2017	01/2018	Marc Pons 940-627-5475 mpons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reroute portions of the TADRA Blue Trail by modifying approximately three miles of trail. Also decommission 3,100 feet of TADRA Orange Trail. This is due to the flooding events during 2015 in Wise County, TX.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50969				
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Units 27, 28 and 75 of the Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands, Wise County, Texas.					
Wise Electric Cooperative Powerline ROW Special Use Permit Reissuance CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 06/2017	Expected:11/2017	12/2017	Marc Pons 940-627-5475 mpons@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissuance of an expired special use authorization for an existing powerline ROW for Wise Electric Cooperative within the Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51792				
Location: UNIT - Caddo - Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Wise. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands, Wise County, TX.					

National Forests In Texas Davy Crockett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Mt. Vernon Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 03/05/2018	Expected:05/2018	11/2018	Alex Grant 936-655-2299 ext. 232 abgrant@fs.fed.us
	Description: There is a need for active management of overstocked stands within MA-2 to provide suitable nesting and foraging habitat for the endangered Red-cockaded Woodpecker (RCW). The purpose of the Mt. Vernon Vegetation Project is to create and maintain suit				
	Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project is west of FM 227 and on the east by FM 511. The project area continues south to Hwy 7 and north to CR 1170. The project area encompasses Compartments 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.				

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National Forests In Texas Davy Crockett Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Timberwood Management Corp., c/o Voyager Group Ltd. Road Access Permit CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Frank Stranimier 936-344-6205 Ex. 6244 fstranimier@fs.fed.us
	Description: Issuance of a Special Use Permit for the use of NFSR 526 located in Compartment 7 of the Davy Crockett NF. The road is located approximately 8 miles northwest of Kennard, TX.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46330				
Location: UNIT - Davy Crockett Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Houston. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located in compartment 7 of the Davy Crockett NF, approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of FM 1733 and NFSR 526, 8 miles northwest of Kennard, TX.					

National Forests In Texas Sabine Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
North Boles Field First Thinning CE	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/07/2017	Expected:05/2018	07/2019	Barton Davis 936-655-2299 bjdavis@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercially thin approximately 3,000 acres of 66 overstocked pine stands ranging in age from about 20 to 40 years in age, to an average basal area of 60-70 square feet per acre.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52360				
Location: UNIT - Sabine Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Shelby. LEGAL - Not Applicable. north of FM 2694 in Shelby County, includes stands in Compartments 1 - 6, 8 -14, and 21.					
SRA Recreation Area Capital Improvements and Maintenance Project CE	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/30/2015	Expected:07/2017	08/2017	Tom Zimmerman 409-625-1940 tzimmerman@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Sabine River Authority as part of their obligations under their recently re-issued Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license, is proposing to implement a plan involving improvements to 4 recreation areas on the Sabine NF.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48045				
Location: UNIT - Sabine Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Sabine, Shelby. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Administrative Compartments 38, 102, 110, and 138.					

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National Forests In Texas	Sam Houston Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R8 - Southern Region	
DCP Southern Hills, LLC Pipeline Permit CE	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/28/2012	Expected:12/2017	01/2018	Frank Stranimier 936-344-6205 comments-southern-texas-samhouston@fs.fed.us
Description: Proposal to to issue a special use permit for an already existing interstate liquid gas pipeline					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=39923					
Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery, Walker. LEGAL - Compartments 20, 21, 23, 24, 34, 35 and 36 are located approximately 11 miles west of New Waverly, TX. Compartments 20, 21, 23, 24, 34, 35 and 36.					
Midsouth 101 Special Use Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Frank Stranimier 936-344-6205 comments-southern-texas-samhouston@fs.fed.us
Description: Proposal to combine and re-issue three Special Use Permits for approximately 25.75 miles of already existing powerlines to Mid-South Synergy. The lines provide service to multiple private land inholdings in several compartments and two counties.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40071					
Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery, Walker. Compartments 4-6, 11, 14, 15, 17, 30, 31, 33, 35-38, 44-47, 49-51.					
Montgomery County Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/12/2018	Expected:07/2018	01/2021	Thomas Lowell 503-367-0606 tlowell@fs.fed.us
Description: The National Forests and Grasslands propose to alter existing stand structures within the project area, to move the stands towards the desired conditions for RCW habitat and reduce Forest susceptibility to SPB.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54137					
Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area lies on National Forest System lands within compartment 31, 32, and 33. The project area is located west of the north end of Lake Conroe and west of New Waverly, TX.					

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National Forests In Texas Sam Houston Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R8 - Southern Region
Montgomery and Walker 1st Thinning CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/20/2017	Expected:09/2017	09/2017	Thomas Lowell 541-367-9235 tlowell@fs.fed.us
	Description: First thinning project focused on improvement of red-cockaded woodpecker habitat and overall forest health.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51846				
Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery, Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area is located around the north end of Lake Conroe and west of the town of New Waverly, Texas. Highway 1375 bisects the project area on an East/West axis.					
Sam Houston RD 10-Year Rx Burn Program CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2018	Expected:04/2018	05/2018	Charles Sharp 970-403-6174 charlesmsharp@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed burning to create/improve good quality foraging habitat for the red-cockaded woodpecker in Management Area 2. Desired conditions: open, mature pine-dominated forests with diverse grass and forb ground cover, maintained by frequent fire.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52247				
Location: UNIT - Sam Houston Ranger District. STATE - Texas. COUNTY - Montgomery, San Jacinto, Walker. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Management Area 2 of the Forest Plan.					

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