



## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2019 to 03/31/2019

### Shawnee National Forest

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<b>Shawnee National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
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<b>Shawnee Vegetation Management Strategy</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/30/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2019	Expected:06/2019	06/2019	Chad Deaton 618-833-8576 cdeaton@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This proposed project includes the use of several commonly available herbicides to maintain or restore oak-hickory forests and natural habitats by controlling nonnative invasive plants and undesirable, shade-tolerant or intrusive native vegetation.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54816">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54816</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Shawnee National Forest All Units. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Gallatin, Hardin, Jackson, Johnson, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Williamson. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forestwide.					
<b>Waterline Permit Renewals</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This proposals renews existing special-use permits that would allow the continued maintenance and operation of underground water transmission pipeline on Forest land right-of-way.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Shawnee National Forest All Units. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Alexander, Gallatin, Hardin, Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various locations in Alexander, Gallatin, Hardin, and Union Counties.				

<b>Shawnee National Forest</b>	<b>Hidden Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>				<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
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<b>Cain's Campground</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/09/2018	Expected:01/2019	01/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This proposal would authorize five RV hook-ups on lands adjacent to the Shawnee National Forest with the understanding that customers would subsequently use National Forest System trails for equestrian activities.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Pope. LEGAL - Pope County near Shelterville. SWSE, Section 7, Township 12 South, Range 7 East, Pope County.				

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<b>Shawnee National Forest Hidden Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Cretaceous Hills Ecological Restoration</b> EIS  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Completed	Actual: 10/22/2018	10/2018	Leonard Pitcher 618-833-8576 ext. 116 lpitcher@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project proposes about 3,000 acres of pine thinning, 15,000 acres of prescribed fire, treatment of invasive species, maintenance of barren habitats, development of vernal ponds and roadwork.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45129">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45129</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Massac, Pope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Southeastern Pope and eastern Massac Counties About 7 miles south- southwest of Golconda, Illinois.					
<b>EK Road Permit</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/10/2018	Expected:01/2019	01/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Renewal of an existing special-use permit, which allows use of a 1,960 feet long by 20 feet wide right-of-way across Forest land for ingress and egress to private property.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Hardin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Hardin County.				
<b>FY19 Collaborative Prescribed Fire</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:02/2019	03/2019	David O'Neil 618-253-1034 doneil@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal that would apply prescribed fire on National Forest System lands in conjunction with partners who would use prescribed fire on adjoining private lands.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Pope, Saline. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Just south of Old Town & west of Burden Falls Wilderness; south & east of Lusk Creek, west of Eddyville Blacktop, & north of Beatty Creek; & west of Somerset Road, north & east of Wamble Mountain.				

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<b>Shawnee National Forest Hidden Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Invasive Species Management at Dixon Springs Agricultural Center</b>	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 01/03/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 02/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Matthew Lechner 618-253-1016 mlechner@fs.fed.us
EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	<p><b>Description:</b> A proposed project to actively manage, with pesticides, invasive species on Forest Service land operated under special permit by the University of Illinois and the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center.</p> <p><b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50693">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50693</a></p> <p><b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Pope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Dixon Springs Agricultural Center.</p>				
<b>Little Cache Ecological Restoration and Habitat Enhancement</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 09/02/2018	Expected:03/2019	04/2019	Leonard Pitcher 618-833-8576 ext. 116 lpitcher@fs.fed.us
EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	<p><b>Description:</b> The proposed actions will encourage resilient forest conditions through silvicultural treatments that will enhance the presence of the oak-hickory hardwood forest-type.</p> <p><b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48943">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48943</a></p> <p><b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Johnson. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Little Cache area about 5 miles north of Vienna, Illinois.</p>				
<b>Millstone Water District Permit Amendment 2</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:04/2019	06/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	<p><b>Description:</b> Millstone Water District would be issued a permit amendment to allow for the installation, maintenance, and operation of an underground water transmission pipeline.</p> <p><b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Johnson, Pope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Northwest side of Reagan Road in Pope County and northwest side of Renshaw Road in Johnson County.</p>				

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<b>Shawnee National Forest Hidden Springs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>R.P. Road Permit Renewal</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/12/2018	10/2018	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposal is to renew an existing special-use permit which would allow for the continued use of a 2,000 foot by 20 foot or 0.92 acre right of way across Forest land for ingress and egress to private property.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Hardin. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project is located in Hardin County, Illinois.				
<b>Road Renewals</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:02/2019	02/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Reissue of existing special use permits.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Hardin, Pope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various locations in Pope and Hardin Counties.				
<b>The Southern Illinois Fat Tire Festival Permit Amendment</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/11/2018	10/2018	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposal is to amend the Southern Illinois Fat Tire Festival Event permit, to include 8.1 miles of user created trails south of Lake Glendale as part of their annual October bicycling event.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54294">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54294</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Pope. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Located in Pope County, Illinois.					
<b>ZC Timber Haul Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposal is to issue a temporary special-use permit to authorizing the construction and use of a right-of-way 500 feet across National Forest System land. The terrain is steep and contains a stream crossing.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Hidden Springs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Johnson. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Johnson County.				

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<b>Shawnee National Forest Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Dirty South Gravel Ride Permit Amendment</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:02/2019	03/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Proposal to amend current permit to include approximately 0.5 miles of National Forest System road to annual bicycling event.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Union County.				
<b>Egyptian Electric Cooperative Association Permit Amendment</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/04/2018	10/2018	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposal is to amend a special-use permit issued to Egyptian Electric to install, operate, and maintain an underground electric line and related structures.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54287">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54287</a>				
<b>Illinois Bell Telephone Company Permit Renewal</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:03/2019	03/2019	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This proposal would all for the continued operation and maintenance of buried and overhead telephone lines on right-of-way across National Forest System lands.				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Alexander. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lands located in Alexander County.				
<b>JS Road Use Permit</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/27/2018	12/2018	Angela Adame 618-658-1318 angelaadame@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The proposal is to issue a new permit which would allow for the continued use and maintenance of a 1.09 acre, right-of-way across National Forest System land for ingress and egress to private property (1,900 feet long by 25 feet wide).				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located in Union County, Illinois.				

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<b>Shawnee National Forest Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Makanda Area Prescribed Fire</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2019	Expected:02/2019	03/2019	Jarred Gordon 618-253-1046 jarredgordon@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Prescribed fire for Forest Service and adjacent non-federal lands.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52641">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52641</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Jackson, Union. LEGAL - Not Applicable. near Makanda.					
<b>Waterfall Stewardship Pilot Project</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/19/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2019	Expected:05/2019	06/2019	Justin Dodson 618-658-1316 jddodson@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> This project proposes to improve forest health and sustainability of the oak-hickory ecosystems, improvement of wildlife habitat, and reduction/control of non-native species.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54704">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54704</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District. STATE - Illinois. COUNTY - Jackson. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project area is north of Illinois Route 3, east of Illinois Route 151, south of Gum Ridge Road, and west of Buttermilk Hill Road.					

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