



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2020 to 03/31/2020

Superior National Forest

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Superior National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)				R9 - Eastern Region	
School Trust Land Exchange EIS *UPDATED*	- Land ownership management	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/11/2017 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 09/2020	Expected:09/2020	09/2020	Peter Taylor 218-626-4368 prtaylor@fs.fed.us
Description: This project would exchange federal Superior National Forest lands located outside the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) for Minnesota School Trust land located inside the BWCAW.					
Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45943					
Location: UNIT - Superior National Forest All Units. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - multiple lands within Cook, Lake and Saint Louis Counties, Minnesota. multiple lands within Cook, Lake and Saint Louis Counties, Minnesota.					

Superior National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)				R9 - Eastern Region	
Wilderness Boundary Fuels Reduction Project EA *NEW LISTING*	- Fuels management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2020	Expected:06/2021	07/2021	Linda Merriman 2183652095 linda.merriman@usda.gov
Description: The primary purpose of this project is to reduce the risk of severe wildfires and reduce hazardous fuels along the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (Wilderness) boundary. Treatment areas would be inside and outside the wilderness boundary.					
Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District, Kawishiwi Ranger District, Tofte Ranger District, LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Forestwide project including Forest System Lands along the edge of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. Project proposes treatments inside and outside the Wilderness boundary.					

Superior National Forest Gunflint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R9 - Eastern Region
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Superior National Forest Gunflint Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R9 - Eastern Region			
Assinika West Gravel Pit CE	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2018	Expected:10/2019	10/2019	John Olson 218-387-3219 jmolson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposal to expand currently existing gravel pit area for gravel sources to be used on as resource for nearby forest roads.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T63N, R2E, Sec 7. T63N, R2E, Sec 7.				
Chik Wauk Overlooks and Trapper Cabin Access CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/15/2019	Expected:01/2020	10/2020	Ryan Blaisdell 218-387-3220 ryan.blaisdell@usda.gov
	Description: Chik Wauk Museum and Nature Center is proposing to construct two overlooks in surrounding special use permit area as well a staircase/trail to Trappers Cabin interpretive site.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Township 64N Range 4W Section 30. Projects located within Chik Wauk Museum special use permit area located off of Moose Pond Drive.				
Cook County Snowmobile Fun Run CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/26/2019	02/2020	Ryan Blaisdell 218-387-3220 rblaisdell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Cook County Snowmobile Club hosts an annual fundraiser for the maintenance and trail grooming of snowmobile trails located on Forest Service Land.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Use of Cook County Snowmobile Trails. There is no specific route.				
DNR Warden Cabin Vault Toilet CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of permit for DNR Warden cabin site, as well as a new addition of a pit privy.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Section 30, Township 66 North, Range 4 West, 4th Principal Meridian. Section 30, Township 66 North, Range 4 West, 4th Principal Meridian.				

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East Zone Trails and Roads Management Project EA	- Recreation management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/24/2018 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 01/2020	Expected:08/2020	08/2020	Marshell Moy 2183873247 mmoy@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will authorize a series of trails, and decommission other trails no longer in use on the East Zone. In addition, culvert removal, reclassification, and decommissioning of roads will restore streams and wetlands.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54973				
Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Trails and roads in the Tofte and Gunflint Ranger Districts.					
Ester Lake Campsite Closure and Opening CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/04/2017	Expected:12/2019	05/2020	Cathleen Quinn 218-387-3240 cquinn@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would close down Ester Lake #3 and open a new campsite on Ester Lake (see map below). Ester Lake #3 is located too close adjacent campsites and impacts wilderness character, impacting visitor opportunities for solitude.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Township 66N Range6W Section 35 %u2013 Current campsite. Township 66N Range 6W Section 26 - Proposed campsite . In the BWCAW on the East side of Ester Lake.				
GUN107309 (Stevens Lake) CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Minnesota DNR has requested a temporary access road to access State timber sales.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T63N, R4E, Section 30 NENW.				

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GUN107310 (Pine Mtn) CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Minnesota DNR has requested a temporary access road to access State timber sales.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T63N, R1E, Sec. 29 SWSW, 30 SESE, 31 NENE, 32 NENW & NWNE. Near Pine Mountain Road.				
GUN107311 (Shoe Lake) CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Minnesota DNR has requested two temporary access roads to access State timber sales				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T64N, R3E, Sec. 17 SESE & 18 SWSE. Near Shoe Lake.				
GUN726903 Reroute CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reroute proposal for end of Private Special Use Road.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Section 30, Township 63 North, Range 1 East, 4th Principal Meridian. Section 30, Township 63 North, Range 1 East.				

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Kimball EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 04/27/2019	Expected:03/2020	04/2020	Marshall Moy 2183873247 mmoy@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Kimball Project aims to promote diverse, resilient forest ecosystems. This will be accomplished through hazard fuels reduction, vegetation management, and wildlife habitat improvement.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54279				
Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The project area encompasses Devils Track, Northern Lights, Elbow, and Trout Lakes, as well as portions of the Gunflint Trail.					
Motor Vehicle Use Map Update-Gunflint CE	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 12/2019	Expected:02/2020	02/2020	Jonathan Benson 218-663-8085 jabenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project is designed to make some administrative changes to roads that are open/ closed to OHV use.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T 62N, R2E, Sec 8 T 62N, R2E, Sec 8 T62N, R1W, Sec 28 T62N, R1W, Sec 28 T62N, R1E, Sec 32 . Near Kimball Lake, Devil Track and Two Island Campgrounds.				
Night Sky Photography Workshop CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/26/2019	01/2020	Ryan Blaisdell 218-387-3220 rblaisdell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Applicant is applying to host a night sky photography and astronomy workshop on multiple locations on the Gunflint Ranger District.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Workshop locations are along on the Gunflint Trail on National Forest Land.				

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Stream Trout Access Improvement and Signage CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/11/2018	Expected:12/2019	05/2020	Amy Wilfahrt 218-387-3211 awilfahrt@fs.fed.us
	Description: Improve existing access to the following lakes: Turnip, Thrush, Kraut, Cucumber, Little Portage, Pancore, Lima, Olson and North Shady Lakes. Brushing, clearing, and signage is proposed to already existing access for anglers and fish-stocking.				
	Location: UNIT - Gunflint Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Turnip, Thrush, Kraut, Turnip, Cucumber, L. Portage, Pancore, Lima, Olson, and Shoofly Lakes.				

Superior National Forest Kawishiwi Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Babbitt Beach Water and Sewer Lines CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/02/2019	11/2019	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 bthompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The City of Babbitt is proposing to extend city water and sewer to the Babbitt Beach in support of a new campground. Approximately 2,700 linear feet will cross NFS lands south of Hwy 70 in the ROW, between road and stony spur trail.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. East of Babbitt along SC 70 ROW - south side of road.				
Forest Road 383 Mixed Motorized Use Project CE	- Recreation management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/20/2019	Expected:12/2019	06/2020	John Pierce 218-365-7606 jpierce@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Kawishiwi Ranger District would like to consider opening 4 miles of FR 383 (Bandanna Lake Rd) to OHV use from MN Highway 1 to FR 378 junction, creating a riding loop with FR 378.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FR383 from MN Highway 1 to FR 378 junction.				

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Prospector Trail Reroute CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/01/2019	Expected:01/2020	05/2020	John Pierce 218-365-7606 jpierce@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Prospector ATV Club has requested the Forest Service to consider a needed 196 foot trail reroute to connect the City of Ely with the rest of the Prospector ATV trail. The reroute is around private land. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57010				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T63N, R11W, section 30. Superior National Forest, Lake County, MN. Legal T63N, R11W, section 30.				
Teck America Access - FR113C CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/19/2019	01/2020	Barbara Thompson 218-365-7600 bthompson@fs.fed.us
	Description: TAI will be completing baseline environmental work in the area of FR113C over the course of the next several years. All season use of FR113c is for access to work areas not on federal land. No new construction is needed.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T59R12 Sections 18/7/5.				
Twin Metals Minnesota Hydrogeologic Study Special Use Permit EA	- Minerals and Geology - Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Matthew Judd 218-626-4300 mjudd@fs.fed.us
	Description: Twin Metals Minnesota has requested special use permit for access to collect baseline hydrogeologic environmental data to data to assist the company's prefeasability study for a mining project to ensure that the environment is appropriately protected. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=40756				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - T 60N R12W S4, T 61N R12W S11, T 61N R12W S13, T 61N R11W S18, T 61N R11W S6, T 62N R11W S23, T 62N R11W S24, T 62N R11W S26, T 62N R11W S28, T 62N R11W S31, T 62N R11W S32, T 62N R11W S33. Approximately seven miles Southeast of Ely, Minnesota near Birch Lake and the Kawishiwi River.				

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Superior National Forest Kawishiwi Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
White Iron Lake Campsite Construction CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/21/2019	Expected:12/2019	06/2020	John Pierce 218-365-7606 jpierce@fs.fed.us
	Description: The USFS Kawishiwi Ranger District is proposing to add one dispersed campsites on White Iron Lake to meet the needs of the recreating public.				
	Location: UNIT - Kawishiwi Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. White Iron Lake, near Ely, MN. Legal T62N, R12W, section 24.				
Superior National Forest LaCroix Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2019 LaCroix Reissues CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/12/2019	Expected:11/2019	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue of existing special use permits				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various areas across district.				
AT&T co-locating at Meander Communications Site CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/05/2019	Expected:08/2019	08/2019	James Davis 218-246-3486 jamesdavis@fs.fed.us
	Description: AT&T proposing to co-locate at the Meander Communication Site.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T65N R17W sec 17. 16.5 miles east of Buyck, MN.				
Edwards Access CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 08/05/2019	10/2019	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T63N R15W sec 35. 17 miles west of Ely, MN.				

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Jeanette EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	Completed	Actual: 11/25/2019	01/2020	Michael Johnson 218-666-0033 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: The LaCroix Ranger District proposes to create young forest, manage forest roads, reduce hazardous fuels, increase wildlife habitat, and conduct vegetation management through harvest, nonharvest, and planting.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50194				
Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. LaCroix Ranger District of the Superior National Forest.					
LaCroix Landscape Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2020	Expected:02/2021	03/2021	Michael Johnson 907-288-7729 mwjohnson@fs.fed.us
	Description: Collaborative effort between resource managers, stakeholders, and land owners to improve forest conditions using an all lands approach. Forest management treatments to address natural resource priority objectives across multiple land ownerships.				
	Location: UNIT - LaCroix Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Approximately 500,000 acres of federal, state, county, tribal, industrial and private lands in Northeast Minnesota.				

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Superior National Forest Laurentian Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)		R9 - Eastern Region			
2019 Laurentian Reissues CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/10/2019	Expected:10/2019	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reissue of existing special use permits				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Various areas across district.				

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Corso Access CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/21/2019	10/2019	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R17W sec 8. 13 miles north of Virginia, MN.				
Giants Ridge Single Track Mountain Bike Trails CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/20/2019	Expected:01/2020	06/2020	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 tengrav@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct several segments and loops of single track mountain bike trails on National Forest lands adjacent to Giants Ridge to enhance mountain biking opportunities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T59N R16W sec 12,13,24,25. National Forest lands west and north of the Giants Ridge Area. Generally in the same area as existing Nordic trails.				
Laurentian Divide OHV Trail Connection CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2020	Expected:04/2020	06/2020	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 tengrav@fs.fed.us
	Description: Upgrade and reconstruct the Laurentian Trail where necessary from Hwy 53 to CR303 and designate open to OHV use to enhance OHV riding opportunities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T59N R17W Sec 19,20,21. Laurentian Trail from Hwy 53 east to CR303 located north of the Laurentian Divide/Lookout Mt.				
MN DNR - Eveleth LAU 1071-64 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2020	Expected:05/2020	05/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: MN DNR - Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake, St. Louis. LEGAL - T58N R12W sec35; T58N R11W sec30. 7 miles NE of Fairbanks.				

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MN DNR Access Request LAU1070-38 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/12/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: MN DNR - Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T57N R10W sec 8. 2 miles north of intersection of Lake Co. 2 and Lake Co. 15.				
MN DNR Access Request LAU1070-39 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/12/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T58N R10W sec 29. 2 miles south of Greenwood Lake.				
MN DNR Access Request LAU1070-40 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/12/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to State land for management activities				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T58N R8W sections 18 & 21. 6 miles NW of Finland, MN.				
MN DNR Request LAU1070-37 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/12/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: MN DNR - Access to State land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T58N R9W sec 7 & 18. 17 miles North West of Silver Bay.				

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Polymet Mining Inc. LAU 4034-01 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/21/2019	11/2019	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Install stream gauge in Partridge River and access to monitor stations.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T58N R13W sec 14,15,22. Monitoring wells and stream gauging station on the Partridge River.				
Seppi Gravel Pit Expansion Project EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 12/02/2019	05/2020	Nancy Moundalexis 218-365-7600 nmoundalexis@fs.fed.us
	Description: Authorize gravel pit prospecting and expansion of the existing Jammer Lake gravel pit to provide mineral materials to meet future demand.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56464				
Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Existing Seppi operation at the Jammer Lake Gravel Pit off of Hwy 53 north of Virginia, MN.					
Seven Beavers Snowmobile Trail Re-route CE	- Recreation management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 tengrav@fs.fed.us
	Description: To construct a new snowmobile trail re-route in the Skibo road area (Forest Road 120).				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T58N-R13W Sections 20,21,22,23,24,29,30; T58N-R14W Sections 22,23,24,25,26. In the Skibo Road area, County Road 569 and Forest Road 120.				
Sipila Access CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/03/2017	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R17W sec 5 & 6. 10 miles N of Virginia, MN.				

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St. Louis County LAU1002-65 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/12/2019	Expected:01/2020	01/2020	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to county land for management activities.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T57N R14W sec 5 & 6. 6 miles south of Hoyt Lakes.				
Sung Kang LAU6107 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 11/18/2019	11/2019	Janel Portz 218-365-7608 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Access to private land across federal.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - T57N R9W sec1. Off the Heffelfinger Road.				
Taconite Trail Snowmobile Reroutes and OHV Designation CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 08/22/2019	11/2019	Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 tengrav@fs.fed.us
	Description: Construct two reroutes for snowmobile trail use to improve trail conditions and upgrade trail where necessary. Designate a segment open to OHV use from FR533 west to CR65 to enhance OHV riding connections.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T60N R18W sec11; T60N R19W sec10,15,16,17,8. T60N R20W sec 12,13,14,15,17,20. Two snowmobile trail segments, one north of the Big Aspen Trail area and the other near CR65. Upgrade and allow OHV use on the trail from FR533 west to CR65.				
US Steel Minntac LAU4020-02 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 10/16/2019	11/2019	Janel Portz 218-229-8823 jportz@fs.fed.us
	Description: To drill several groundwater wells and access road to construct/monitor wells.				
	Location: UNIT - Laurentian Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - St. Louis. LEGAL - T59N R18W sec10. 5 miles north of Mountain Iron.				

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Arrowhead Electric Access Roads CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
	Description: Arrowhead Electric is proposing two access roads to allow for maintenance of existing power/fiber lines. They are requesting to gate each access.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T60N, R4W, S2 & 3; T61N R4W S35. Tofte Ranger District, Superior National Forest.				
East Zone wildlife Openings CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/10/2019	Expected:11/2019	11/2019	David Grosshuesch 218-663-8076 dgrosshuesch@fs.fed.us
	Description: Revisit and update the existing Wildlife Openings CE for the zone and to provide clear objectives for maintaining or improving openings. Objectives are varied with some having a specific plant or animal species benefit.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The Tofte and Gunflint Districts of the Superior National Forest.				
Hofer Maple Tap and Access Project EA	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Marshell Moy 2183873247 mmoy@fs.fed.us
	Description: A private landowner has requested to construct and maintain a road for access to private property to conduct maple tapping operations on federal land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53074				
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - Township 59 North, Range 4 West, Sections 3, 4, & 5; Township 60 North, Range 4 West, Section 34. Township 59 North, Range 4 West, Sections 3, 4, & 5; Township 60 North, Range 4 West, Section 34.					
Lutsen Mountains Ski Area Expansion Project EIS *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. NOI in Federal Register 01/2020	Expected:01/2021	01/2021	Matthew Judd 218-626-4300 mjudd@fs.fed.us
	Description: Lutsen Mountains has requested a special use permit to expand their ski resort onto 550 acres of adjacent National Forest System lands administered by Superior National Forest.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52440				
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T60N R3W S28, T60N R3W S29, T60N R3W S30, T60N R3W S31, T60N R3W S32. Lutsen Resort in Cook County, Minnesota.					

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Superior National Forest Tofte Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
MnDNR TOF107783 CE	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	Christina Tampio 218-663-8080 christinatampio@fs.fed.us
Description: MnDNR is requesting an access road to State timber sales.					
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Section 7, Township 58 North, Range 8 West, 4th Principal Meridian. Section 7, Township 58 North, Range 8 West, 4th Principal Meridian.					
Motor Vehicle Use Map Update-Tofte CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/08/2019	Expected:02/2020	02/2020	Jonathan Benson 218-663-8085 jabenson@fs.fed.us
Description: This project is designed to evaluate the needs for OHV use on Forest Roads					
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - T 60N, R 5 W, Sec 4 T 60N, R 5 W, Sec 4 T 60 N, R 6 W, Sec 29 T 61N, R6W, Sec 25 . Select roads on the Tofte Ranger District.					
North Shore State Trail- Barker Lake Reroute CE	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/08/2019	Expected:10/2019	10/2019	Jonathan Benson 218-663-8085 jabenson@fs.fed.us
Description: This proposal would relocate 0.26 miles of the trail so it is no longer co-located on the road with the exception of the bridge that crosses the Poplar River.					
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook. LEGAL - T 60N, R 3 W, Sec 4 . Near Barker Lake.					

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Tofte Landscape Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/01/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 03/2020	Expected:09/2020	09/2020	Marshell Moy 2183873247 mmoy@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Tofte Landscape Project will help improve forest conditions and achieve vegetation management objectives on the district over the next 15 years, using a 'flexible toolbox' approach.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55216				
Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Cook, Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project will cover the entire Tofte Ranger District, excluding the Boundary Water's Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW).					
Tomahawk Trail Reroute CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/07/2019	Expected:10/2019	10/2019	Jonathan Benson 218-663-8085 jabenson@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project reroutes approximately 3,600 feet of snowmobile trail off private land and onto Forest Service land. The new trail will pass through a recently logged area.				
	Location: UNIT - Tofte Ranger District. STATE - Minnesota. COUNTY - Lake. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Township 59 North, Range 8 West, Sections 5 & 6.				

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