



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)
04/01/2019 to 06/30/2019

Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					R9 - Eastern Region
Recreation Facility Strategy CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/30/2017	Expected:05/2019	06/2019	Timothy Vetter 715-748-4875 (34) tvetter@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Recreation Facility Strategy prioritizes developed recreation site investments. Proposal has varying actions at 82 sites (from increased amenities to decreased maintenance) and removal of amenities at 22 sites to convert them to general forest.				
	Location: UNIT - Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest All Units. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland, Bayfield, Florence, Forest, Langlade, Oconto, Oneida, Price, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Developed recreation sites on all ranger districts across the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.				

Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R9 - Eastern Region
2019 Stream-Road Crossing Repair and Maintenance Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping Start 02/26/2019	Expected:04/2019	06/2019	Sara Sommer 715-362-1365 sarasommer@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would replace ineffective culverts on the Eagle River-Florence and Lakewood-Laona Ranger Districts in Forest, Langlade, and Oconto Counties.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55464				
2019 West Side Special Use Road Renewals CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2019	Expected:09/2019	01/2020	Jonathan McNeill 715-762- jonathan.mcneill@usda.gov
	Description: Renewal of 4 special use Forest road permits to access private land.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55715				
Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District, Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield, Price, Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located in four locations on the Medford-Park Falls and Washburn Ranger Districts. More detailed maps will be provided on the project web page.					

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest, Occurring in more than one District (excluding Forestwide)					R9 - Eastern Region
2019 Wisconsin Public Service Projects CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/26/2019	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Jonathan McNeill 928-467-3200 jdmcneill@fs.fed.us
	Description: Wisconsin Public Service (WPS) is replacing overhead with underground electric lines in Forest, Oconto, Oneida, and Vilas Counties.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55631				
Location: UNIT - Eagle River-Florence Ranger District, Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest, Oconto, Oneida, Vilas. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Road right of way in Forest, Oconto, Oneida, and Vilas Counties.					
North Country Trail Dispersed Campsite Development and Improvements CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 04/2019	Expected:07/2019	07/2019	Katherine LeMoine 715-634-4821 x2326 kalemoine@fs.fed.us
	Description: Eight to 10 backpacker campsites would be developed or improved to provide long-distance hikers a consistent experience when they hike the North Country Trail in Wisconsin.				
	Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District, Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland, Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Multiple sites along the North Country Trail in Great Divide and Washburn Ranger Districts.				

Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Eagle River-Florence Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Fourmile Vegetation Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/15/2017 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 04/2019	Expected:07/2019	07/2019	Kristine Vollmer 715-362-1346 kvollmer@fs.fed.us
	Description: Move forest vegetation to desired conditions, provide an efficient road system, continue Forest research projects, maintain public safety related to wildfire, maintain hunter hiking trails, and contribute toward wood products demand.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51959				
Location: UNIT - Eagle River-Florence Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest, Oneida, Vilas. LEGAL - T40N, R11E; T40N, R12E; T39N, R11E; T39N, R12E; T38N, R11E; and T38N, R12E. 7 miles east of Eagle River, stretching south from Highway 70 to Highway 32 (or the southern border of the Argonne Exp. Forest) and stretching approximately 4-7 miles wide.					

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Great Divide Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Beaverdam Lake Lodge Complex Decommissioning, Maintenance and Access Repairs CE *UPDATED*	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2018	Expected:05/2019	05/2019	Michael Martin Glidden Office: 715-264-2511 Hayward Office: 715-634-4821 mikemartin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Proposed action/undertaking: decommission dilapidated Beaverdam Lake buildings; designate and/or repair access roads for dam and spillway testing, inspection, maintenance, or repair; and implement ongoing dam maintenance and repairs.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53737				
Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Beaverdam Lodge Complex is located about six miles west of Mellen in northern Wisconsin, Township 45 North, Range 4 West, section 36.					
Districtwide Gravel Pit Expansion and Development EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2019	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Nicole Molitor 715-634-4821 nicolegmolitor@fs.fed.us
	Description: Creation and expansion of district gravel pits to use for future infrastructure improvement.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55340				
Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland, Bayfield, Sawyer. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project proposal is still in development.					
Helms Point Special Use Road Access Permit CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 02/15/2019	03/2019	Jonathan McNeill (715) 762-5154 jdmcneill@fs.fed.us
	Description: A special use permit authorizing the use and maintenance of an existing road (24-foot right-of-way) to access private land for a 20-year time period is proposed. Additional gravel will be placed and grading done on the existing roadway.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55295				
Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T43N R6W Section 17.					

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Relocation of FR 201 and FR 213 intersections with C.T.H. D EA	- Road management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Debra Proctor 715-634-4821 debralproctor@fs.fed.us
	Description: Relocate the intersections of County Highway D with Forest Road 201 and Forest Road 213 north of the current locations. Construct new sections and decommission unneeded sections of Forest Roads 201 and 213 (new and old approaches to intersection)				
	Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Township 44 North Range 6 West Section 11. Intersection of County Highway D with Forest Roads 201 and 213 in Bayfield County approximately 5 miles south of Grand View, Wisconsin.				
Restoration of Flood Damaged Road and Trail Segments and River Bank Stabilization EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Watershed management - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 02/09/2019	Expected:04/2019	05/2019	Michael Martin Glidden Office: 715-264-2511 Hayward Office: 715-634-4821 mikemartin@fs.fed.us
	Description: As a result of the July 11, 2016, flood damage, the district is proposing to decommission and restore segments of Forest Road 383 and Forest Road 150, realign a segment of Snowmobile Trail 25, and stabilize a section of the Marengo River bank.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53743				
Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland, Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. FR 383 segment from North Country Trail to FR 383B. FR 150 segment south of FR 199. Snowmobile Trail 25 segment north of FR 199C to FR 187. Marengo River Bank southwest of FR 384C.					
Snowmobile Trail 15 Reroute CE *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Completed	Actual: 03/08/2019	03/2019	Katherine LeMoine 715-634-4821 x2326 kalemoine@fs.fed.us
	Description: Avoid springs and steep slopes by constructing 320 feet of new trail and installing two water bars.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55296				
Location: UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T44N R6W Sections 1 and 12.					

Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Lakewood-Laona Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Lakewood-Laona Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2019 WPS/Centurylink Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/13/2019	04/2019	Jonathan McNeill 928-467-3200 jdmcneill@fs.fed.us
	Description: WPS wants to energize the newly installed Centurylink cable near Sunrise Lake and north of Wabeno. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55441				
	Location: UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest, Oconto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Surprise Lake T32N, R17E, Section 32 and North Branch Of The Oconto (north of Wabeno)T32N, R14E, Section 1.				
2019 Waupee Dam Repair CE *NEW LISTING*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/06/2019	Expected:04/2019	08/2019	Todd Trapp 715-674-4481 x228 ttrapp@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will repair Waupee Dam by replacing the pipe, filter material, drop inlet, and wing walls. It will also repair the emergency spillway. Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55541				
	Location: UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Oconto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Waupee Dam Repair is located at Township 32 North, Range 17 East, Section 21.				
Lakewood-Laona Early Successional Habitat Project EA *UPDATED*	- Forest products	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 12/06/2018	Expected:03/2019	04/2019	John Lampereur 715-276-6333 jlampereur@fs.fed.us
	Description: Correct aspen age to meet the forest plan Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48644				
	Location: UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Lakewood-Laona Ranger District.				

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Cheesehead19 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 03/01/2019	05/2019	Jane Darnell 715-748-4875, ext 38 jane.darnell@usda.gov
	Description: Cheesehead19 is a proposal from the University of Wisconsin to conduct research to better determine how forest vegetation and management influence the atmosphere and affect weather patterns on a local scale.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55038				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Price. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Township 40 North, Ranges 1 and 2 East, Town of Eisenstein, Price County, Wisconsin.					
Chippewa Lowland Ash Stand Regeneration CE *UPDATED*	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 03/21/2019	05/2019	Brian Bergman 715-748-4875, x29 brian.bergman@usda.gov
	Description: Treat some lowland ash stands by under-planting other lowland hardwood and conifer species in anticipation of over-story loss of ash trees from Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), a non-native, invasive pest that results in mortality of all native ash species.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55208				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Town of Cleveland, Township 32 North, Range 3 West, Section 25; Town of Grover, Township 32 North, Range 2 West, Section 30; and Town of Ford, Township 31 North, Range 3 West, Sections 12, 13, and 24.					
John's Creek Gravel Pit Expansion EA *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2019	Expected:10/2019	11/2019	Greg Knight 715-748-4875 ext 26 greg.knight.3@usda.gov
	Description: This project consists of expansion of an existing gravel pit to meet road construction, re-construction, and maintenance needs in the project vicinity. This is an existing pit that has an additional source of gravel that has not been developed.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54736				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Town of Grover, Township 31 North, Range 2 West, Section 7, Taylor County, Wisconsin.					

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Medford-Park Falls Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
Price Electric 501 Rebuild 2019 CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 02/11/2019	02/2019	Jonathan McNeill 715-762-5154 jonathan.mcneill@usda.gov
	Description: Amend Special Use Utility Permit to allow replacement of existing electric line in Price County.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55217				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. This project is located in Township 37 North, Range 3 East, Sections 13-15, Price County, Wisconsin.					
Round Lake Fish Passage and Water Level Control CE *NEW LISTING*	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2019	Expected:12/2019	03/2020	Sue Reinecke 715-762-5185 sreinecke@fs.fed.us
	Description: The project will consist of reestablishing a two-way fish passage and reconnect the ecosystems of the Pike Lake Chain of Lakes and the South Fork Flambeau River.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55358				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Price. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T40N, R3E, Sections 23-26, Price County, WI.					
Taylor Electric Special Use Amendments CE *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 12/19/2018	01/2019	Jonathan McNeill 715-762-5154 jonathan.mcneill@usda.gov
	Description: Amendments to an existing permit issued to Taylor Electric Cooperative that would allow an upgraded electric line to be installed, a new buried line to be installed, and Special Use Permits to private landowners for road access to their property.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54737				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Town of Molitor, Township 32 North, Range 1 West, Section 17 and in the Town of Chelsea, Township 32 North, Range 1 East, Section 16, Taylor County, Wisconsin.					

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Winter Sports Road Electric Line Burial CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jonathan McNeill 715-762-5154 jdmcneill@fs.fed.us
	Description: This is a proposal by Clark Electric Cooperative to convert about 4 1/4 miles of overhead electric line to underground electric wires within their existing utility corridor in order to provide a safer and more reliable electric service.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51504				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located in the Town of Grover (T32N, R2W) along Winter Sports Road (FR 119) starting at Spruce Lake Road going north to Beaver Creek Road (FR 121) and then a short distance east.					
Xcel Energy W3477 Electric Line Rebuild CE *NEW LISTING*	- Special use management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 03/2019	Expected:08/2019	09/2019	Jonathan McNeill 715-762-5154 jonathan.mcneill@usda.gov
	Description: Xcel Energy is planning to rebuild their W3477 electric transmission line, a portion of which is located on National Forest. The line would be the same voltage (69 kV), but taller poles would be installed to meet current line requirements.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55709				
Location: UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Taylor. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Transmission line is located in Price and Taylor Counties with the portion on National Forest being on the eastern side of the Taylor County portion of the Medford-Park Falls Ranger District.					

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Washburn Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					R9 - Eastern Region
2018 Flood Repair CE *NEW LISTING*	- Recreation management - Road management	Completed	Actual: 03/22/2019	05/2019	Sarah Holmes 715-373-2667 sarahholmes@fs.fed.us
	Description: Repair and maintenance of roads throughout the District and a bridge replacement on the North Country Trail following the 2018 flood event in Bayfield County, WI. Actions on the roads include resurfacing, grading, culvert replacement and ditch work.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55531				
Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. A number of roads across the Washburn District in Bayfield County and the North Country Trail.					
Birch Grove Campground Group Site Project EA *UPDATED*	- Recreation management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 jmaziasz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Creation of a new group camping site(s) near Birch Grove Campground on the Washburn Ranger District				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52637				
Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Bayfield County, WI. T49N, R6W, Section 36. Birch Grove Campground on FR435 on the Washburn Ranger District near Washburn WI.					
Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership SUP CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/07/2016	Expected:07/2019	08/2019	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 comments-eastern-chequamegon-nicolet-washburn@fs.fed.us
	Description: The proposal is to re-issue a special use authorization for a new term for Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership's existing pipeline system, pumping station, and associated improvements.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44889				
Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project includes 11.5 miles of existing pipeline system, the pumping station, and associated improvements on Forest Service lands north of US Highway 2.					

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Greenwood Vegetation Project EA *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management - Road management	In Progress: Objection Period Legal Notice 02/09/2019	Expected:04/2019	04/2019	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 ext. 5235 jennifer.maziasz@usda.gov
	Description: Vegetation and transportation management in the northern part of the District. Management actions would include clearcut and shelterwood systems to regenerate oak, aspen, and pine, and thinnings to promote growth and vigor in pine plantations.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47446				
Location: UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Townships 47, 48 and 49 North Ranges 6, 7 and 8 West, 4th Principal Meridian . Project is located approximately seven miles northeast of Iron River, Wisconsin and in the Townships of Barksdale, Clover, Iron River, Keystone, Pilsen, Port Wing, Tripp, and Washburn.					

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