



**Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)**  
10/01/2019 to 12/31/2019

**Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest**

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Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)				R9 - Eastern Region	
<b>Recreation Facility Strategy</b> CE  *UPDATED*	- Recreation management - Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/30/2017	Expected:12/2019	12/2019	Timothy Vetter 715-362-1373 timothy.vetter@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55748">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55748</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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	
<b>2019 Bayfield Electric Line Burial</b> CE  *UPDATED*	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/27/2019	09/2019	Nicole Molitor 715-634-4821, x 2327 nicole.g.molitor@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> An amendment to the Special Use Permit to replace existing overhead powerline with a new underground line within the existing utility corridor right-of-way. Proposal includes the removal of overhead supporting infrastructure.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56339">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56339</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Washburn Ranger District, Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Multiple locations on Great Divide and Washburn Ranger Districts.					

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<b>2019 West Side Special Use Road Renewals</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 09/12/2019	01/2020	Mary Scheuerman 715-362-1331 mary.scheuerman@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> Renewal of 4 special use Forest road permits to access private land. Renewal of 1 special use well permit to provide water to private residence.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55715">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55715</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					
<b>2020 Stream-road Crossing Repair and Maintenance</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:10/2019	02/2020	Sara Sommer 715-362-1365 sarasommer@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Replace culverts in Forest and Oconto Counties.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56822">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56822</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Eagle River-Florence Ranger District, Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest, Oconto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The culverts are in the Townships of Hiles and Townsend.					
<b>North Country Trail Dispersed Campsite Development and Improvements</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/12/2019	Expected:06/2020	07/2020	Katherine LeMoine 715-634-4821 x2326 kalemoine@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55297">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55297</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					

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<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Eagle River-Florence Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					
<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>					
<b>Fourmile Vegetation Project</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Forest products	In Progress: Comment Period Public Notice 05/28/2019	Expected:12/2019	03/2020	Kristine Vollmer 715-362-1346 kvollmer@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51959">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51959</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					

<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Great Divide Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					
<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>					
<b>Beaverdam Lake Lodge Complex Decommissioning, Maintenance and Access Repairs</b> CE	- Facility management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/01/2018	Expected:10/2019	11/2019	Michael Martin Glidden Office: 715-264-2511 Hayward Office: 715-634-4821 mikemartin@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53737">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53737</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					

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<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Great Divide Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Districtwide Gravel Pit Expansion and Development</b> EA  *UPDATED*	- Minerals and Geology	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/26/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 10/2019	Expected:01/2020	02/2020	Nicole Molitor 715-634-4821 nicolegmolitor@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> To provide mineral material for the next 10-20 years for infrastructure maintenance and other activities, we propose to expand 4 existing gravel pit sites, develop 7 new gravel pit sites and do final reclamation of 1 temporary borrow pit site.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55340">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55340</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Great Divide Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Ashland, Bayfield, Sawyer. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project proposal is still in development.					
<b>Relocation of FR 201 and FR 213 intersections with C.T.H. D</b> EA	- Road management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Debra Proctor 715-634-4821 debralproctor@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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)				
	<b>Location:</b> 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.				
<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Lakewood-Laona Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>2019 Blowdown Project</b> EA  *NEW LISTING*	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/07/2019 Est. Comment Period Public Notice 12/2019	Expected:03/2020	03/2020	John Lampereur 715-276-6333 jlampereur@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Salvaging timber from the storm damaged areas in Langlade and Oconto Counties.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56538">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56538</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Langlade, Oconto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Langlade and Oconto Counties.					

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<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Lakewood-Laona Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>Camp One and Diamond Roof Gravel Pit Expansion</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 08/14/2019	08/2019	Greg Knight 715-748-4875 ext 7484826 greg.knight3@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> This project would expand current gravel pits to provide needed road maintenance material and for other uses. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56282">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56282</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Forest, Oconto. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Diamond Roof and Otter Lake areas.				
<b>Mountain Bike Parking Area and Trail Connector</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/08/2019	Expected:10/2019	10/2019	Greyling Brandt 218-663-8084 gbrandt@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> Parking lot and trail connector construction <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56378">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56378</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Lakewood-Laona Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Langlade. LEGAL - Not Applicable. The connector trail would be from the current bike trail to Boulder Lake boat landing parking lot. The parking area would be just south of Highway 64 on Van Alstine Road (Forest Road #3268).				

<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Medford-Park Falls Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>John's Creek Gravel Pit Expansion</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2019	Expected:06/2020	06/2020	Greg Knight 715-748-4875 ext 7484826 greg.knight.3@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> 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. <b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54736">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54736</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> 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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<b>Kidrick</b> EA  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2020	Expected:09/2020	10/2020	Jane Darnell 715-748-4875, ext 7484838 jane.darnell@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> This project is primarily a vegetation management project with focus on mid to late successional hardwood forest. Primary purpose is to maintain forest health and diversity. Project will also include a transportation analysis.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50889">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50889</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Price. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Project is located in the northwest portion of the Forest within Taylor County in T32N, R2-3W and T33N, R1-3W.					
<b>Round Lake Fish Passage and Water Level Control</b> CE	- Watershed management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Sue Reinecke 715-762-5185 sreinecke@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> **On hold until water modelling/engineering plans are complete** 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 Rive				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55358">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55358</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Medford-Park Falls Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Price. LEGAL - Not Applicable. T40N, R3E, Sections 23-26, Price County, WI.					
<b>Winter Sports Road Electric Line Burial</b> CE	- Special use management	On Hold	N/A	N/A	Jonathan McNeill 715-762-5154 jdmcneill@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51504">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51504</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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.					

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<b>Chequamegon / Nicolet National Forest Washburn Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)</b>					<b>R9 - Eastern Region</b>
<b>2019 Bayfield Electric Pigeon Lake Line Burial</b> CE  <b>*NEW LISTING*</b>	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/31/2019	08/2019	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 ext. 5235 jennifer.maziasz@usda.gov
	<b>Description:</b> An amendment to the Special Use Permit to relocate an existing powerline that is being affected by high water in Pigeon Lake with a new underground line along FR228. Proposal includes the removal of old infrastructure.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56552">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56552</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Bayfield County T45N, R8W, Sections 26 and 35.					
<b>Bayfield Peninsula Hydrogeology Project</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Minerals and Geology	Completed	Actual: 09/30/2019	09/2019	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 jmaziasz@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> The Forest Service and Wisconsin Geological Natural History Survey (WGNHS) are proposing to drill two boreholes, collect and describe the sediment, and install monitoring wells in the Bayfield Peninsula to better understand the area hydrogeology				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56403">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56403</a>				
<b>Location:</b> UNIT - Washburn Ranger District. STATE - Wisconsin. COUNTY - Bayfield. LEGAL - Not Applicable. Two proposed drilling locations are located on the northern portion of the Washburn Ranger District near Moquah Barrens.					
<b>Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership SUP</b> CE  <b>*UPDATED*</b>	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 12/07/2016	Expected:12/2019	01/2020	Jennifer Maziasz 715-373-2667 comments-eastern-chequamegon-nicolet-washburn@fs.fed.us
	<b>Description:</b> 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.				
	<b>Web Link:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44889">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44889</a>				
<b>Location:</b> 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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